



Meeting Name: Town Council Meeting
Meeting Date: January 28, 2026
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Item Title: Special Event Request: 2026 Aloha Surf Camp

BACKGROUND:

Staff received a request for a special event by Paul Vargas, owner of Aloha Surf Camp, to hold a summer surfing camp which consist of water sport activities, beach games, water rafts and surfing activities on the beach area that is east of the Loggerhead Marinelife Center. **This is a recurring event held at the same location along the beach and Ocean Drive, which is why staff included it on the Consent Agenda.**

DISCUSSION:

The special event requested is a surf camp that teaches surfing techniques, ocean safety, riptide awareness, body boarding, and swimming. The dates and times being requested are May 25th through August 14th, 2026, between 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Monday through Friday. The anticipated attendance is 35 participants throughout the entire summer with 4-6 employees. The public beach access is not requested to be closed during the event, as to not disturb beach goers. Transportation to the event will be by privately owned vehicles of the attendees' parents; the attendees will use the public parking area located in Loggerhead Park near the beach area. The public parking area will be used to temporarily park Aloha Surf Camps equipment trailer(s), and as an egress and ingress to the County beach and ocean area.

Town Council has previously approved the event with the following conditions: (1) flat permit fee of \$1,000 and a Security Deposit of \$500; (2) all parking, unloading and loading requirements shall be set by the Police Department and (3) Staff receive a letter of Approval from Palm Beach County Parks & Recreation Department prior to the start of the surf camp. Please note that the permit fee for off-site special events lasting 4 or more consecutive days is determined by the Town Council. This fee and deposit do not include the required costs for outside assistance by the Police, or any other necessary support. Those costs are the responsibility of the applicant during the application process and shall be provided 14 days prior to the date of the event.

As indicated in the attached application, the applicant shall provide all applicable outside agency and department approvals from Palm Beach County prior to the event date should the Town Council approve the event.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Town Council consider the request for the Off-Site Special Event proposed in Juno Beach as stated above, subject to all conditions and requirements of the application, including any additional agency reviews/approvals/fees.