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NARRAGANSETT TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: December 4, 2023

FROM: Michelle Kershaw, Parks & Recreation Director

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT:

MOTION TO APPROVE the request from Soldiers Surf (formerly VetSurf) to conduct two (2) free surfing events for disabled veterans at the Town Beach on Saturday, June 8, 2024, and Saturday, August 24, 2024, from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm subject to state and local regulations.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Soldiers Surf, formerly VetSurf, is a 501-3 c non-profit organization dedicated to helping disabled veterans and disabled individuals through adaptive surfing and other outdoor activities. This will be the seventh year that this event is being held at Narragansett Town Beach. Previous events did not create any issues and were well run and organized. The event begins early and concludes at approximately 1pm. The organizers are responsible and provide all necessary equipment and personal needed. There is expected to be approximately 20 to 30 disabled participants and approximately 2-3 volunteers per participant as they enter the water. The volunteer's will be comprised of "Primary Volunteers" who are physical or occupational therapists and "Secondary Volunteers" who are local, experienced surfers some who are former lifeguards and/or have taught others to surf in various capacities. All participants will be required to sign liability waivers and Soldiers Surf will provide Liability Insurance naming the Town of Narragansett as "additionally insured" prior to the event.

ATTACHMENTS:

Facility Use Form.pdf