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Mr. Don Ryan
Surfers for Autism, Inc.
7899 Santa Fe Trail
Boca Raton, FL 33487

RE: Letter of Permission (LOP), Surfers for Autism, Activities within the State's Shore Protection Act Jurisdiction, South Beach Area and Parking Lot, Tybee Island, Chatham County, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ryan:

This Letter of Permission (LOP) is in response to your request dated June 5, 2018 to sponsor the 6th Annual Coastal Empire Beach Festival event in the paved parking lot south of 16th Street, and on the beach, seaward of 16th Street and The Strand on Tybee Island, Chatham County, Georgia. This event, sponsored by Surfers for Autism, Inc., will provide special needs children an opportunity to surf and socialize with other surfers and their family members in the community. The one (1) day event will occur on Saturday, September 15, 2018 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Your request includes the use of a portable public announcement system and the temporary placement of twenty-five (25) 10ft. X 10ft. tents on the dry sand beach seaward of parking lot at 16th and the Strand and approximately 100 feet south of the Tybee Island Pier and Pavilion. Set up for this one (1) day festival will commence at 6 am Saturday, September 15, 2018 and be removed as soon as events conclude at 4 pm. Additionally, educational outreach and related activities geared toward the general public will be staged on the paved parking area south of 16th Street roundabout. Impacts to the sand sharing system are temporary and access to the beach will be available to the public at existing crossovers along The Strand.

The Department authorizes the use of the Strand Parking lot and the dry sand beach seaward of the toe of the dunes adjacent to and south of the Tybee Island Pier and Pavilion in the general area outlined in the attached project overview. Best Management Practices (BMPs) should be used to prevent any additional impacts at the site and to protect the shore jurisdictional areas. No heavy equipment is authorized in connection with this project. All work must be accomplished using hand tools only.

Any change in the use, location, dimensions, or configuration of the approved project, without prior notification and approval from this office, could result in the revocation of this LOP and in the required removal of the materials and related structures. This project must comply with all other Federal, State, and local statutes, ordinances and regulations.

Because the project may occur between May 1st and October 31st, turtle nesting season, an individual with a DNR Sea Turtle Cooperators Permit may be required to survey the area to be used by the equipment prior to the work beginning. All sea turtle nests must be avoided and no heavy equipment may be used within 20Ft. of a nest area.

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This LOP is not meant to exempt the above referenced activity from future environmental laws. **No unauthorized equipment, materials or debris may be placed, disposed of, or stored in jurisdictional areas.** Any incidental impacts associated with this project must be rectified by fully restoring areas to their pre-construction topographic and vegetative states. This LOP is valid for the above referenced project.

If you have any further questions or concerns in regard to this or any other projects please feel free to contact Deb Barreiro at (912) 266.3695.

Sincerely,



Jill Andrews
Chief, Coastal Management Section

Enclosure: 2016 Surfers for Autism Site Plan and description

cc: Robyn Rosner
City of Tybee Special Events Coordinator
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TYBEE ISLAND

SITE LAYOUT



Tybee Beach Pier and Pavilion

Blocked For Static Displays

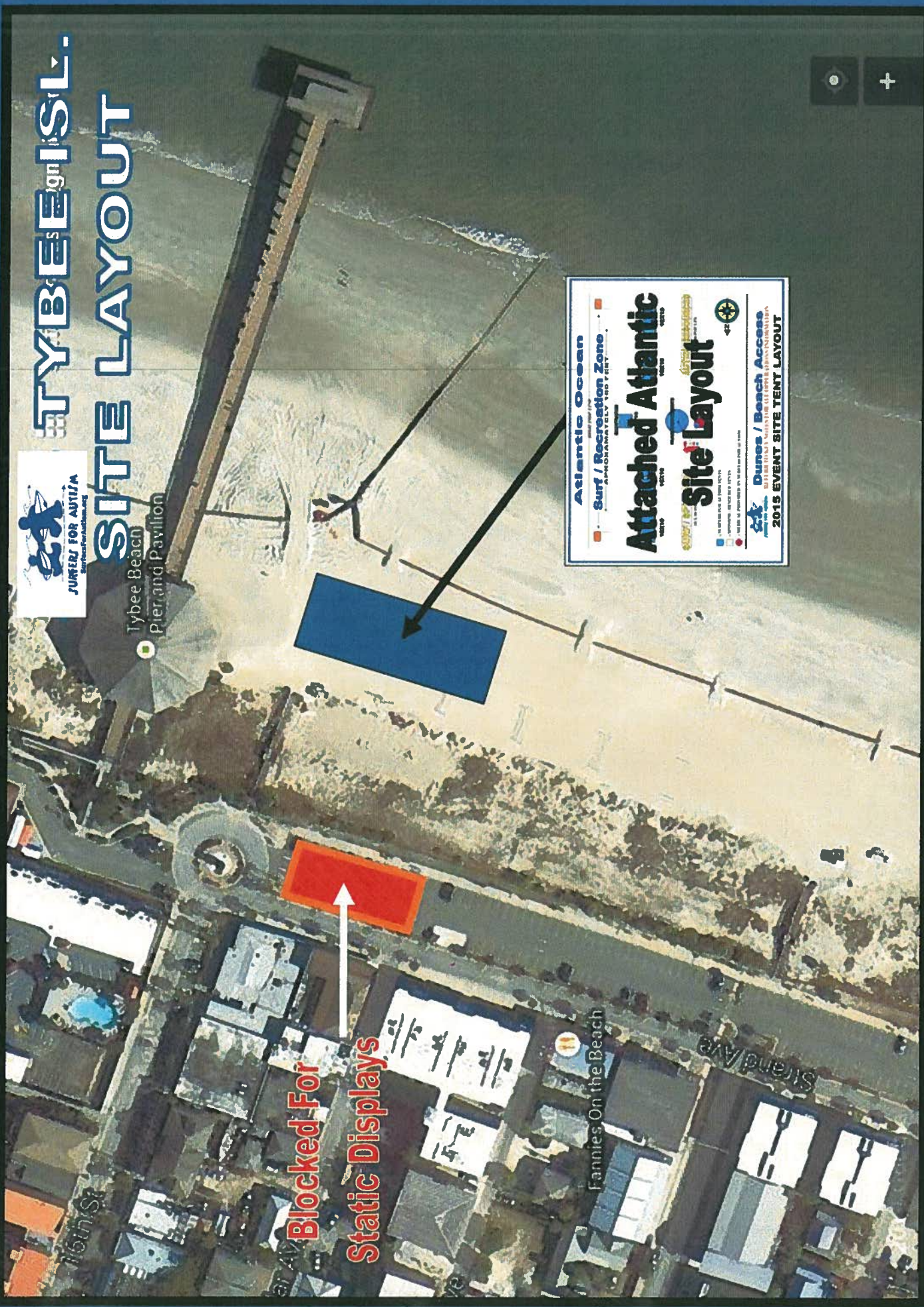
Atlantic Ocean Surf / Recreation Zone

Attached Atlantic Site Layout

2015 EVENT SITE TENT LAYOUT

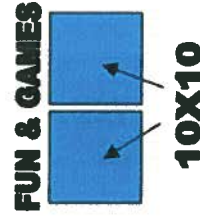
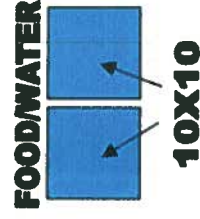
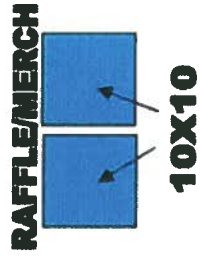
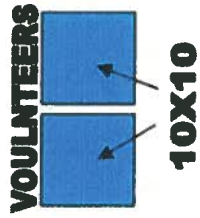
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Atlantic Ocean

HIGH TIDE LINE

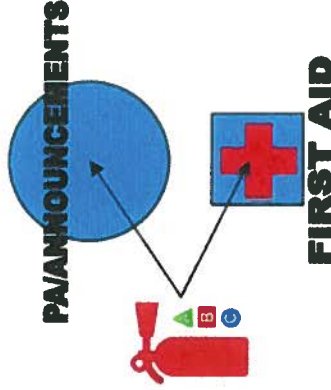


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- = SPONSOR / RESOURCE TENTS
- = MEDICAL PROVIDED BY SURFERS FOR AUTISM



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 REFERR TO KEY NOTES FOR ALL OPERATIONS INFORMATION
EVENT SITE TENT LAYOUT