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**Subject:** FW: Desert Wave Ventures Project  
**Date:** Thursday, November 17, 2022 11:44:50 AM

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Public comment for DSRT Surf agenda item F for Council.

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From: Gonda, Krysten A. <[krysten.gonda@cvusd.us](mailto:krysten.gonda@cvusd.us)>  
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2022 1:58 PM  
To: Eric Ceja <[eceja@cityofpalmdesert.org](mailto:eceja@cityofpalmdesert.org)>  
Subject: Re: Desert Wave Ventures Project

Thank you so much. I really appreciate it. I will Zoom in just in case, but will do my best to be there in person.

Yes, please feel free to forward our exchange to our council members. DSRT Surf has been an incredible resource to our high school surf club for years now. We started working together pre-pandemic and they have assisted us with surf trips, donations of equipment, photography and video content for our students, and are even partnering with our high school in the hopes of reducing single use plastic water bottles and providing access to clean and refreshing water for our students. This group understands the value of being involved in the community. They truly believe in supporting our youth and contributing to our local schools. They're already doing so much. Imagine the impact they will have once DSRT Surf is open in Palm Desert!

Krysten Gonda

> On Nov 16, 2022, at 12:08 PM, Eric Ceja <[eceja@cityofpalmdesert.org](mailto:eceja@cityofpalmdesert.org)> wrote:

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> Hi Krysten,

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> I don't anticipate the item to be heard by the City Council until

> closer to 6pm; however, we do have a hybrid option and you always have

> the option to remote into the meeting through zoom. You can access the

> meeting through zoom here:

> <https://protect-us.mimecast.com/s/iKAWCAD7oztgIV0fGBhM2>

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> I can also provide this email to the Clerk for distribution to the City Council as the email expresses its support of the project and the developers efforts to work with youth in the area.

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> Thanks,

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> Eric Ceja

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Gonda, Krysten A. <[krysten.gonda@cvusd.us](mailto:krysten.gonda@cvusd.us)>

> Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2022 7:54 AM

> To: Eric Ceja <eceja@cityofpalmdesert.org>

> Subject: Desert Wave Ventures Project

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> Good morning Mr. Ceja,

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> I was hoping to attend the City Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 17 in support of DSRT Surf. I'm looking at the agenda and trying to gauge an approximate time for when their item would be on the floor for discussion.

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> I'm a high school teacher who coaches the surf club at Desert Mirage High School. I always like to get my students involved in these processes so that they can see how local government works and that they feel empowered to get involved. I'd like to invite my students to attend tomorrow. I would also like to attend, but my schedule is tight. The folks behind DSRT Surf are assisting my students with a beach clean-up in San Diego on Thursday, so I will likely just be getting back from San Diego around 4 or 5. Do you think I would have time to get from Thermal to Palm Desert in time to address the council?

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> Thanks,

> Krysten Gonda