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Ribbon Cutting Celebrates the Completion of the North Park Pool project: Limited Opportunities for Public Swim Now Available

BURLINGTON, NC— The North Park Pool renovation and expansion is complete! A small ribbon cutting will be held this evening at 6:30 to recognize this milestone. Due to the pandemic, the ribbon cutting is invitation-only, but it will be streamed via Facebook Live from the City's Facebook page (@BurlingtonNC).

The pool will open, by appointment, on Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 5:30pm as the weather permits. Reservations for one-hour family swim sessions are available at northparkpool.getomnify.com. Registrations become available two days in advance of appointment times. Various restrictions are in place including limits to group sizes and frequency of reservations. For more info on safety restrictions, visit BurlingtonNC.gov/NorthParkPool.

Some exciting elements of the brand new pool and fully renovated and expanded bathhouse include: zero-depth entry, splash features, lap lanes (competition), diving board, water walking path, covered pavilion, bath house renovation/addition, multi-purpose room available for rental, and ADA accessible drop off/ entryway.

The pool replacement is part of a larger North Park Improvement Plan that was initiated in 2016. Highlights include Mayco Bigelow Center upgrades, parking lot repaving and expansions, new signage, installation of new playground equipment, North Park Farmers Market Shelter, landscaping, and walking trails. The pool replacement is Phase 2 of the North Park Improvement Plan.

The North Park Pool project was kick started by \$200,000, secured in the 2018-2019 state budget by Senator Rick Gunn and supported by Representatives Ross and Riddell. During the summer of 2018, city staff worked with community members to gain input on what amenities and activities were desired for North Park Pool.

The \$3,468,000 project was approved in September 2019.

When COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, the City intends to host a grand opening celebration for the community.

The City of Burlington Recreation Department accepts applications for lifeguards year-round. Training and lifeguard certification class is provided for successful applicants and hourly rates begin at \$10.50. Visit www.BurlingtonNC.gov/Jobs to apply.

Attached: Pictures comparing the completed pool and bathhouse to the design renderings

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