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Summer Splash Celebration at North Park Pool followed by Juneteenth Celebration

Burlington, NC – The City of Burlington will celebrate the first full summer of fun at the new North Park Pool this Saturday, June 19 with an event called Summer Splash. Construction on the brand new pool and fully renovated bathhouse was completed in September 2020 but due to the pandemic, only a small ribbon-cutting heralded the grand opening. Now it's time to celebrate properly!

The pool will be open for normal swim hours on Saturday morning and the fun will start at 3:00pm with the Summer Splash event. Summer Splash will have two swim time blocks open for reservations at a discounted entrance fee of \$1. The first block is 3:00pm – 4:30pm. The second block is 4:30pm – 6:00pm. Reservations are required and are available at www.NorthParkPool.getomnify.com. During these special swim times Recreation and Parks staff will be hosting games on the pool deck. To help you stay cool there will be free SnoBalls for the first 100 kids that come to take a splash! Kids 15 and under must have an adult with them. One adult is required per three children under 15.

Some exciting elements of the new North Park Pool and fully renovated 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 new pool replaces an older pool that was a much-loved neighborhood institution. Twenty former North Park Pool lifeguards will be on deck to reminisce about the important role the original North Park played in the community and in their own lives.

Also at North Park on Saturday is a Juneteenth Celebration of Alamance County's Black History. From 5:30-6:30 at the North Park Farmer's Market Shelter, 100 Local Black History Boxes will be available for free by vehicle pick-up. The boxes are beautifully designed with information celebrating prominent black figures from our community's past. The boxes will include a meal and other treats provided by local, black-owned businesses. Books for different reading levels will also be distributed at 5:30 by Alamance Achieves.

The Juneteenth Celebration is sponsored by the City of Burlington Recreation and Parks Department, African-American Cultural Arts & History Center, Healthy Alamance, Alamance Achieves, Black Entrepreneur's Collective, the Nik-Nak Shack, Cookie Gurlie, and Kindred Seedlings Farm.

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