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PARKS AND PUBLIC PLACES UPDATE

Tracking Progress on Fort Lauderdale Commission Priorities for 2022

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FORT LAUDERDALE AQUATIC CENTER

Make a Splash at the Recently Opened Aquatic Center

This month the Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Center opened to the public following completion of its largest renovation project to date. This venue, located on the beach barrier island, is home to the International Swimming Hall of Fame and an iconic 27-meter dive tower. These improvements continue the legacy and tradition of Fort Lauderdale as a leader and pioneer among aquatic centers that began in 1928 when the City built the first Olympic-size swimming pool in Florida. Since that time, the City has celebrated 10 world records and hosted countless events and champions.

Under a total cost of approximately \$47 million, the City was able to include the following elements and features in the renovation project:

- ▶ New 27-meter dive tower with multiple diving platforms and springboards
- ▶ New 50-meter competition pool and refurbished 50-meter training pool
- ▶ New spa
- ▶ New filtration system, pumps, and chlorination systems
- ▶ New stadium lighting
- ▶ New amenity viewing decks
- ▶ Two LED video scoreboards
- ▶ Omega Swiss timing/scoring system
- ▶ Grandstands with capacity for more than 1,500 spectators
- ▶ New locker rooms and a weight room
- ▶ New main entry plaza, bathrooms, concessions, ticket office, and meeting rooms
- ▶ Parking and drainage improvements

Neighbors and visitors can access the Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Center at 501 Seabreeze Boulevard seven days a week to use the lap pools and diving tower levels up to 3-meters. The City is also offering complimentary public lap swim and diving admission through October 31, 2022. For additional information and the full listing of hours, visit the City's Parks and Recreation website at parks.fortlauderdale.gov.

