



# COLUMBUS PARKS AND RECREATION POOL UPDATE JANUARY 30, 2024

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# Rigdon Park Pool

11.16.22



11.29.24





# Psalmund Road Pool

11.22.22



11.29.23





# Shirley Winston Pool

11.16.22



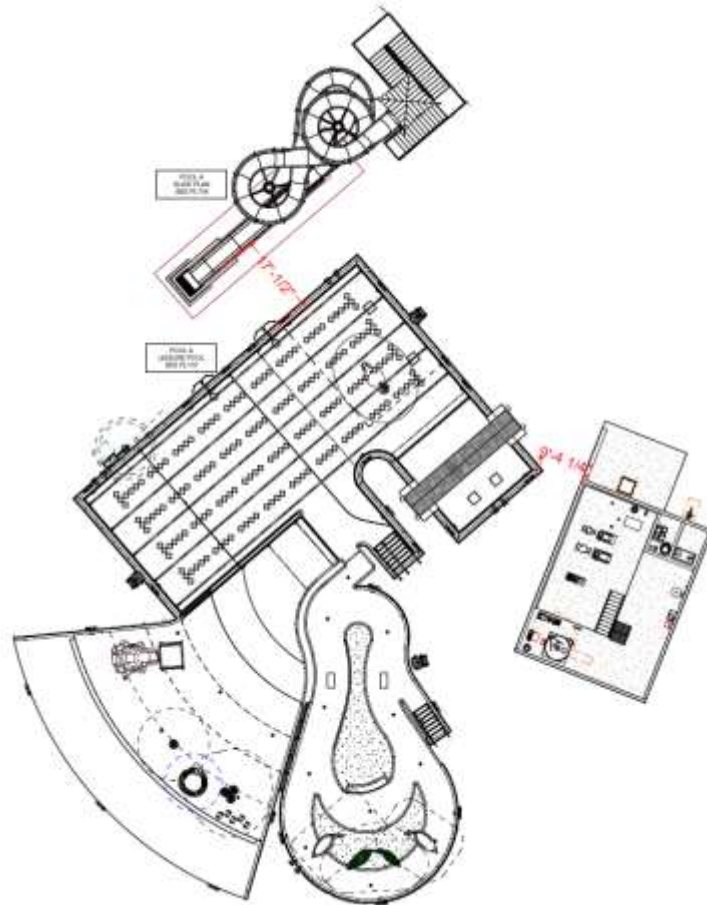
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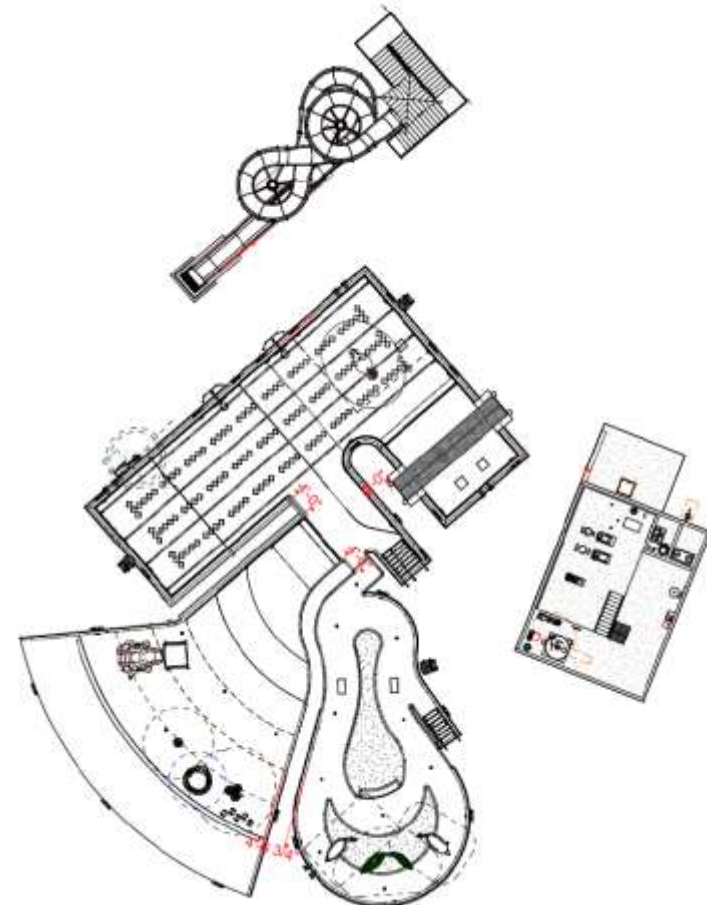


Conceptual Rendering Psalm Road and Shirley Winston Pools



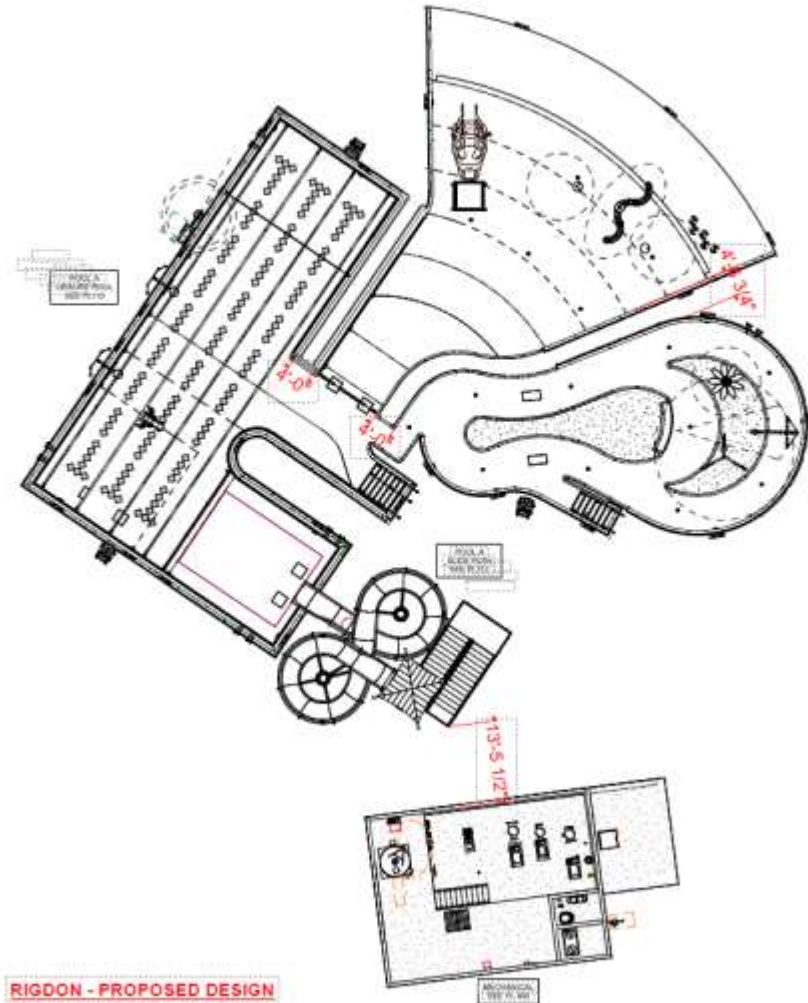
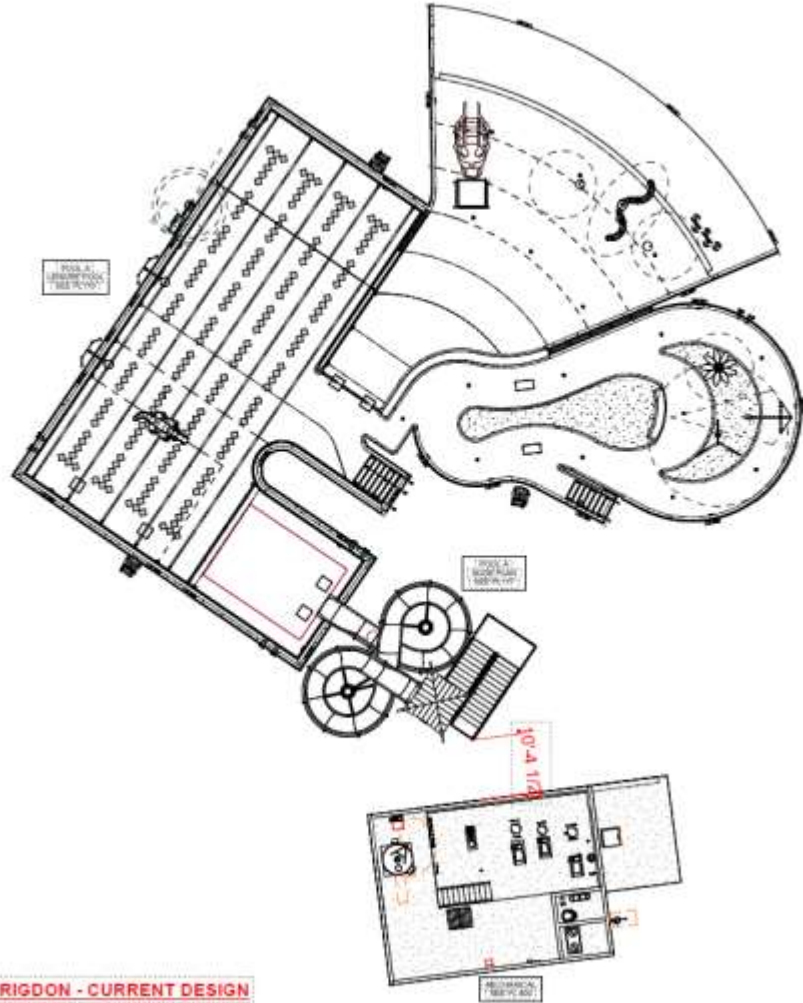


PSALMOND ROAD - CURRENT DESIGN  
(SHIRLEY WINSTON - SIMILAR)



PSALMOND ROAD - PROPOSED DESIGN  
(SHIRLEY WINSTON - SIMILAR)

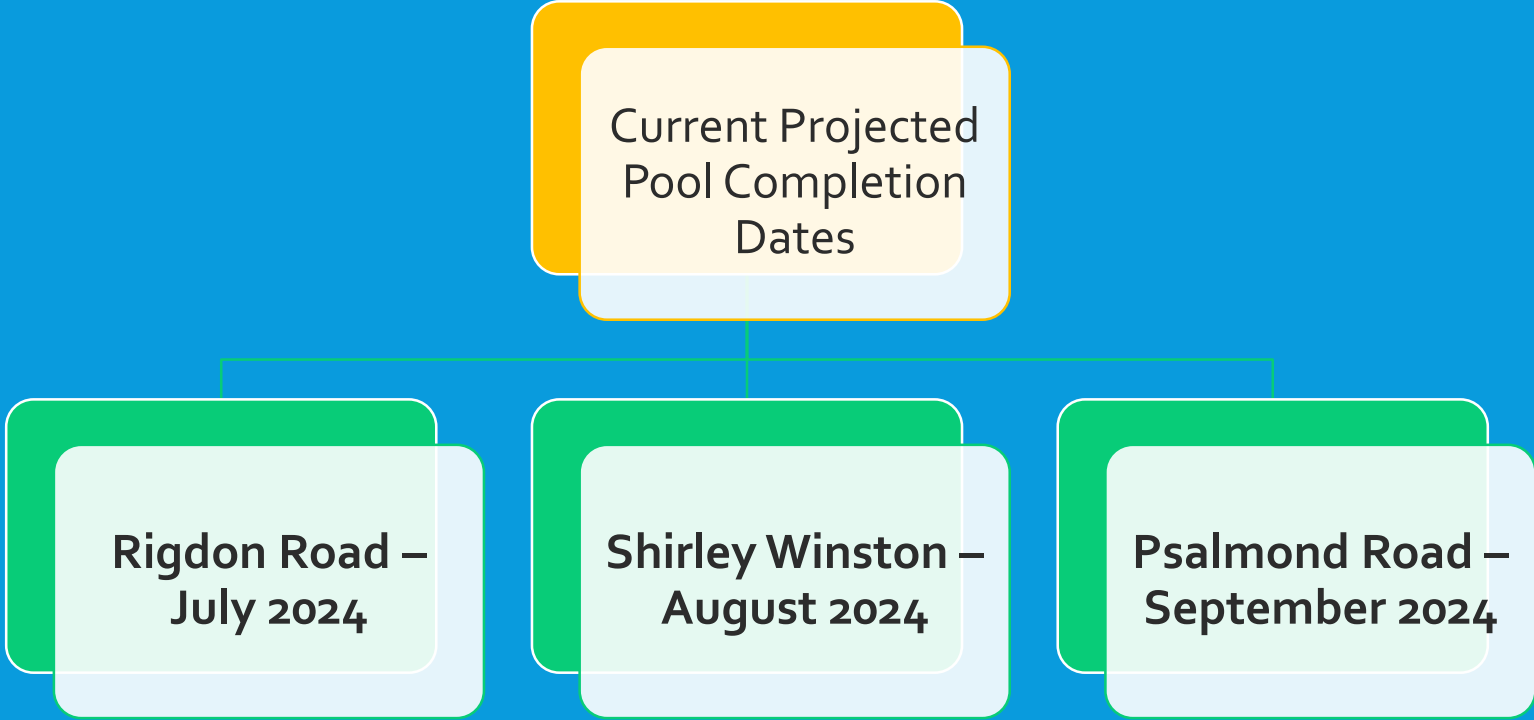
## CONCEPTUAL POOL DESIGNS PSALMOND ROAD AND SHIRLEY WINSTON



# RIGDON PARK POOL CONCEPTUAL POOL DESIGN

Concept image only; Subject to change.

# Current Projected Pool Completion Dates





# Looking Ahead Summer 2024

Columbus Aquatic Center will have normal operating hours.

Monday – Friday      6:00 AM- 8:00 PM

Saturday              10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

\*Swim teams practice before normal operating hours

Sunday                CLOSED

\*Unless swim meet scheduled

Double Churches Pool will open Friday, May 24 through Sunday, August 4

\*Swim team practice before normal operating hours

Pool Hours of Operation

Monday and Tuesday      CLOSED

Wednesday-Friday      12:00 PM- 6:00 PM

Saturday – Sunday      11:00 AM- 7:00 PM



# LOOKING AHEAD SUMMMER 2024 CONTINUED

Rigdon Pool **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE** opening in July provided the pool is completed and operational.

1. Operate the same hours as Double Churches provided we have enough lifeguards.
2. If staffing shortages continue we would alternate a rotating schedule of operation between Double Churches and Rigdon Park based on number of staff. Rotating days and weekends when they are open **through September 1.**

Shirley Winston Pool **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE** opening in August provided the pool is completed and operational.

1. Operate weekends only provided we have enough lifeguards.
2. If staffing shortages continue we would alternate a rotating schedule of operation between Double Churches Pool, Rigdon Park Pool, and Shirley Winston Pool based on the number of staff. Rotating days and weekends when they are open **through September 1.**



May 28, 2023 - Economy

# Lifeguard shortage drags on for third summer in a row

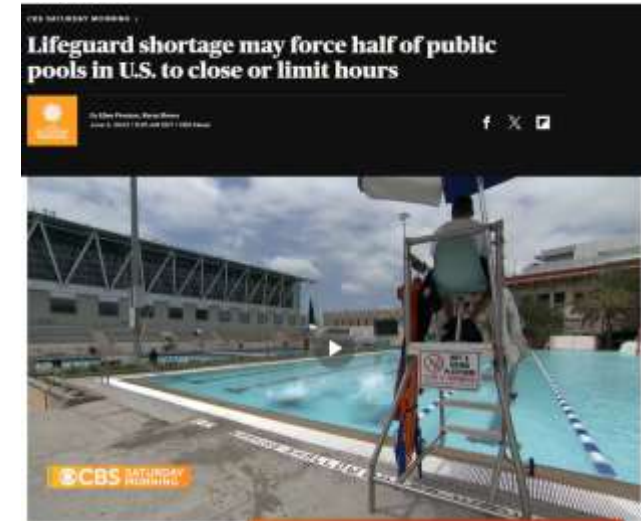


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A [national lifeguard shortage](#) will keep thousands of pools across the country closed or operating with reduced hours for the third summer in a row.



# Summer Lifeguards 2023

Lifeguards	Needed	Employed
Columbus Aquatic Center	25	(Shared)
Double Churches Pool	25	(Shared)
Total Lifeguards Employed		33



Lifeguards	Total Needed
Columbus Aquatic Center	25
Double Churches	25
Rigdon Park Pool	25
Shirley Winston Pool	25

**2024 SUMMER LIFEGUARDS  
NEEDED FOR FULL OPERATION**

Aquatic Facilities	Lifeguard	Differential \$
Great Wolf Lodge (Lagrange)	\$14.00	0
Lagrange/Troup County Parks & Recreation	\$10.00	+4
Phenix City Parks & Recreation	\$10.00	4
Harris County Recreation	\$11.50	+2.50
Green Island Country Club	\$15.00	-1
Auburn University	\$15.00	-1
Opelika Parks & Recreation	\$15.00	-1
YMCA	\$10.00	+4
Fort Moore MWR	\$16.00	-2
Columbus Country Club	\$14.00	0
Columbus State University	\$10.00	+4
Callaway Gardens	\$15.00	-1
Auburn Parks & Recreation	\$14.00	0

# BENCHMARKING LIFEGUARD PAY WITHIN 45 MINUTES OF COLUMBUS

Pay Less than Cols. Parks
Pay Equal to Cols Parks
Pay Greater than Cols. Parks

\*Columbus Parks and Recreation Current Lifeguard Wage \$14/hr



# Last Summer

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Long lines and wait times

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Unable to accommodate mass numbers due to staff shortages

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Individuals overcome by heat while waiting

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Fights by citizens

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Numerous complaints

NO SUMMER FUN  
PASSES THIS  
SUMMER

QUESTIONS