



RIGDON PARK, SHIRLEY WINSTON, AND
PSALMOND ROAD POOL UPDATE
APRIL 23, 2024

WHERE OUR POOLS BEGAN...

- 1999 SPLOST called for a transition from the 18 neighborhood pools we had to a more regional concept of the 4 outdoor pools we now have.

POOL NAME	LOCATION	POOL NAME	LOCATION
Double Churches Pool	Double Churches Road	Alexander Pool	By Pop Austin Gym
Rothschild Pool	Rothschild Middle School	Northstar Pool	Northstar Drive
Wesley Height Pool	Amber Drive	Edgewood Pool	Morris Road
Carver Park Pool	Carver Park	Tillis Pool	Behind Tillis Gym
Key Pool	Mesa Drive	29th Street Pool	By 29 th Street Gym
43rd Street Pool	Behind Current Columbus Technical College	North Highland Pool	Behind Fox Senior Center
Rosehill Pool	Rosehill Park	8th Street Pool	By Carver High School
BTW Pool	At BTW	Boxwood Pool	Shep Drive/Morris Rd
E. Canty Pool	At E. Canty	Benning Hills	By Recreation Center

CURRENT AQUATIC FACILITIES

Location	Date Opened	Cost	Last Season in Operation
Psalmond Road	2002	\$1,909,722	2019
Rigdon Park	2002	\$1,915,996	2019
Shirley Winston	2002	\$1,935,393	2017
Double Churches	Remodeled 2010	\$2,210,000	N/A
Aquatic Center	2013	\$10,600,000	N/A



Conceptual Rendering Psalmond Road and Shirley Winston Pools

Concept image only; Subject to change.

POOL CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE

- Muscogee County voters approved 2021 SPLOST on November 2, 2021.
- Tax Collections began April 1, 2022. Initial revenue was allocated to pay bond payments for the Judicial Center. Funding for pay as you go projects became available January 1, 2023.
- RFP for Design-Build services for all three pools was issued July 8, 2022
- Design-Build Contract was approved by Council on October 25, 2022.

POOL CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE

- Kickoff meeting held with Freeman & Associates on October 28, 2022.
- Pool update including conceptual designs presented to Council on April 11, 2023.
- Demolition activities began at Rigdon Park in October.
- Update was provided to City Council at the October 31, 2023 work session.
- Construction plans were submitted to the Department of Public Health on November 3, 2023.

POOL CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE

- Initial comments received from local health department on November 30th. Additional comments received from state health department on December 8th.
- Major comment was related to the requirement of 4' of decking between zero entry area and lazy river. Design team cited dozens of examples throughout Georgia that were like the proposed design. Health Department was adamant about the interpretation of the code and required the pools to be redesigned.
- Update provided to Council including revised completion dates on January 30, 2024.
- Design team redesigned pools per Health Department comments and resubmitted February 12, 2024. Permit for Rigdon Park received on 3/12/2024.

POOL CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE

- The duration to obtain the permit from the Health Department far exceeded the duration planned for during the original schedule. This resulted in each pool being delayed approximately 90 days.



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

KATHLEEN E. TOOMEY, M.D., M.P.H., COMMISSIONER

**SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS, & RECREATIONAL WATER
PARKS PERMIT**

FROM: 03/12/2024 TO: 03/12/2025 SPP-106-000069
(DATES OF OPERATION, 12 MONTHS MAXIMUM) (PERMIT NUMBER)

A CONSTRUCTION PERMIT IS HEREBY GRANTED TO

Columbus Consolidated Government

as owner to construct

Rigdon Park

(NAME OF PUBLIC SWIMMING FACILITY)

as a Special Purpose Pool type of swimming pool

Located at 1601 Howe AVE Columbus Muscogee 31903 GEORGIA
(STREET, HIGHWAY, OR RFD) (CITY OR TOWN) (COUNTY) (ZIP CODE)

This permit signifies compliance on the date of issue with the Rules of the Georgia Department of Public Health pursuant to the O.C.G.A. 31-45-1 et seq. and is valid for the period as listed on this permit, or until the permit is suspended or revoked.

Nia D. Styles EHS V
Issuing Official for County Board of Health

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Rigdon Park Pool



Shirley Winston Pool



Psalmund Road Pool



Current Projected Pool Completion Dates



QUESTIONS