North Charleston Aquatic Center

In Partnership With

Dorchester School District 2
Project Timeline

- November 2012 – DD2 passes referendum for $179M bond for school construction; $7.5M earmarked for aquatic center

- Original conversations with Summerville Family YMCA to build 25 meter pool in Summerville.

- Early 2015 – DD2 requested proposals for prospective managers/operators of the aquatic center (YMCA and City only two respondents)

- March 26, 2015 – DD2 voted to enter into contract negotiations with City of North Charleston

- May 24, 2016 – Contract officially signed; each party to expend $7.5M ($15M total) to build aquatic center on jointly owned property adjacent to Fort Dorchester HS.

- August 8, 2018 – Groundbreaking (and price tag already up to $22.5M)
Facility Specifics

- Competition Pool – 10 lanes, 50 meter pool with (re)moveable bulkhead and seating for 1,000 spectators

- “Warming” Pool – 8 lanes, 25 yard pool for warm-ups, programming, swim lessons, etc.

- Locker rooms, training rooms, class/meeting rooms, offices, concessions, etc.

- Chlorine gas exhaust system
“Mutually Beneficial”

- North Charleston’s Benefits:
  - Jointly owned site; use of parking lot for large events
  - Additional $7.5M in funding

- DD2’s Benefits:
  - Home facility for all three (3) high school teams in the district (priority practice times, home meets, etc.)
  - Swimming lessons for all 2nd Grade students in the district
Aquatic Center Site Plan
Facility: Rendering & Construction
Competition Pool
Warm-Up Pool
Warm-Up Pool
View from Warm-Up Pool to Competition Pool
View from Warm-Up Pool to Competition Pool
Outdoor Patio