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Next ADD Board Meeting

Friday, July 28th
Algiers Auditorium
10 a.m.

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Message from Chairman Mark Major, Algiers Development District

Helen Keller said, "Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much".

On May 25 the Algiers Development District formally transferred over 10 acres of land to expand the top-rated New Orleans Military & Maritime Academy's campus as well as signed a long-term lease of the Fitness Center at New Orleans Riverside at Federal City.



On behalf of the ADD Board of Commissioners, I want to thank Colonel Terry Ebbert, President of the New Orleans Military & Maritime Academy Board for his continued collaboration and partnership. NOMMA's expansion will be fundamental to the continued growth of Federal City.

In addition, the New Orleans Recreation Development (NORD) Commission resigned its lease assuring the pool complex will remain free to all community residents. Details including pool hours can be found further in the newsletter.

I love when plans come to fruition and are more impactful than you ever could have imagined. ADD has celebrated numerous milestones in recent years including Delgado's Westbank Campus Advanced Technology Center, the Advanced Nursing Training Facility, and the expansion of the only Navy Federal Credit Union in the Greater New Orleans area. And while ADD has a lot to be excited about, we're not planning to slow down. We look forward to sharing more exciting new developments with the community.

Thank you for your continued trust and support.



L to R: William Garrett, Vanessa Duplessis, Councilmember Freddie King III, Kathy Lynn Honaker, and Mark Major

New Orleans Military & Maritime Academy Purchases 10+ Acres to Expand Its Footprint at New Orleans Riverside at Federal City

This \$2.8M landmark deal represents one of the largest expansion projects at New Orleans Riverside at Federal City



The New Orleans Military & Maritime Academy (NOMMA) joined leaders from ADD and New Orleans Recreation Development (NORD) Commission to sign a \$2.8 million purchase agreement for three parcels of land - nearly 11 acres including over five acres of prime riverfront property - from ADD that will allow this top-performing charter high school to expand its footprint at New Orleans Riverside at Federal City and ultimately better serve its student population.

In addition, NOMMA signed a 60-year lease for \$1 per year for the former Fitness Center at Federal City. As part of the agreement, NOMMA will control the indoor facilities while NORD operates and manages the outdoor

pool facilities for seasonal public use. Synergy Physical Therapy & Performance will continue operating out of the former Fitness Center.

“Today is an important milestone in the history of the New Orleans Military & Maritime Academy”, said Commandant Col. Schlafer, School Leader. “Plans to expand NOMMA have been in the works for a long time, and we’re excited for the future of our academy, and more importantly, for our cadets. We serve 900 students from across the Greater New Orleans area, and the growth of the school has necessitated our need to expand. With this purchase, NOMMA will be able to better support our cadets’ primary needs.”



“The expansion of the New Orleans Military & Maritime Academy campus will ensure future generations will prosper and continue to receive a quality education,” said Mayor LaToya Cantrell. “I also want to show my appreciation for ADD and the New Orleans Recreation Development Commission for their commitment to maintaining the operation of the public pool at Federal City thereby meeting people where they are and providing them access to tools and resources to mold and shape them into future leaders of our world.”

This purchase and lease agreement marks one of the largest expansions at New Orleans Riverside at Federal City and includes five buildings, one of which is historic, and open green space. NOMMA is set to begin an aspiring campus expansion project to increase its student enrollment and better support its cadet corps through enhanced academic, athletic, and extracurricular programs.

NOMMA is a top-performing, open-enrollment high school and the only military and maritime open-admissions public charter school in the four-parish metropolitan area. NOMMA accepts students in grades 8-12 and has the nation’s largest Marine Corps Junior ROTC program. Its student body has grown from 105 cadets when it opened in 2011 to nearly 900 cadets today.

“This is a win-win-win for all entities involved, but most importantly, it is a win for the students of NOMMA and the Algiers community”, said Mark Major. “NOMMA will be able to grow and expand to an even greater level of education and training services, and the community will have access to one of the finest swimming pools in the City of New Orleans.”



Officially open for the summer, the pool, located at 2220 Constitution Street, will operate Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

“NORD is excited to return aquatic programming to the Federal City pool and the residents of Algiers again this summer,” said Larry Barabino, Jr., CEO of NORD. “This partnership will allow NORD to continue to offer quality aquatic programs to all residents of Algiers during the summer months for years to come.”

NORD will staff the pool with Red Cross-certified employees including a pool manager, lifeguards, and others tasked with upkeep and maintenance. Swimming lessons and water aerobics will also be provided during certain times of the day.



Learn more about NOMMA's plans for expansion in [this recent article](#) by *The New Orleans Advocate*.

New Orleans Riverside at Federal City Spotlight:



The New Orleans Military & Maritime Academy (NOMMA) is a public charter school serving students in the Greater New Orleans Metropolitan area. NOMMA is dedicated to the education of students, no matter their background or previous school experience. Students at NOMMA study in a focused, college preparatory environment guided by a team of teachers and retired military instructors who bring unparalleled experience to the classroom. All NOMMA students are cadets in the Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training (JROTC) Program.

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