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### **THE WAVE REOPENS MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND AT EMERALD GLEN PARK**

*New Food Options, Season Passes, and Military Discounts Offered;*

*All Waterslides Operational in Second Season*

**DUBLIN, Calif., May 23, 2018** –The Wave, the City of Dublin’s state-of-the-art recreation and aquatic complex, located at Emerald Glen Park (4201 Central Parkway), will reopen on Saturday, May 26, for Memorial Day weekend. Doors open to the public at 11:00 a.m. After Memorial Day weekend, waterpark operations will be open daily beginning Saturday, June 2, through Sunday, August 12, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Once school resumes in August, it will be open on weekends only through Labor Day.

This year, the City has added new features to The Wave including a new concession facility offering many more food options to visitors of the waterpark. The concession facility will be open daily during operational hours. In addition, the City is now offering discounted entry of \$10 (and up to three guests) for military members and veterans, and season passes for Dublin residents that allow entry Monday–Thursday. The cost for season passes is \$75 for residents under 40" in height; \$85 for those residents over 40" tall; and \$20 for residents under the age of two.

The Wave features a year-round natatorium (indoor pool), used for swim lessons, lap swimming, fitness classes, and recreational swimming; an outdoor sports pool used for recreational swimming; a Splash Zone, an outdoor boardwalk-themed water playground with a beach-style entry, two small waterslides, and interactive water play

features; a 48-foot tall slide tower with six waterslides; a community room, available to rent for parties and meetings; and over seven acres of park amenities, including an amphitheater with lawn seating and a large plaza for events, such as the Dublin Farmers' Market.

Opened last year, The Wave waterpark welcomed 55,000 visitors during its first summer; hosted 98 group rentals, 2500 swim school students, and 147 birthday parties; and employed 170 staff members.

All the waterslides at The Wave are now reopened following last season's incident involving a 10-year old boy, who was injured as he was propelled out of the Emerald Plunge at its finish. The State of California's Division of Safety and Health (DOSH), working with the manufacturer and the City's amusement ride safety expert Ed Pribonic, determined that the initial water flow and water height settings established by the manufacturer for the Emerald Plunge were such that riders of certain heights and weights were prone to being lifted out of the slide at the transition to the run out.

The manufacturer conducted extensive testing throughout the last year to identify the safest settings for users of varying heights and weights. These settings were then tested by live riders and all the testing complied with the most current amusement industry safety standards established by ASTM International, an international standards-setting organization. DOSH has recertified the slides with the revised settings.

The slide manufacturer and the City believe that all slides are safe for riders who meet the established height and weight requirements. For the two speed slides, those requirements including a minimum weight and height of 45 pounds and 48 inches, and a maximum weight and height of 300 pounds and 76 inches.

For more information, including hours of the facility and admission prices to the outdoor waterpark, group rentals, and class registration, please visit [www.thedublinwave.com](http://www.thedublinwave.com) or call (925) 574-4800.

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