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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

November 16, 2018

Council Updates

Council Gives Direction on Issuance of Debt

During the November 13 City Council Meeting, City Manager Wes Pierson discussed the potential issuance of debt to fund the remainder of the Midway Road Reconstruction Project and the economic development incentive for the public infrastructure for the Addison Grove development. As explained in the [Debt 101](#) and [Debt 201](#) presentations previously shared with Council, cities use debt to finance public infrastructure projects such as city facilities, parks, streets, water, sewer, and drainage improvements. Debt financing allows cities to finance projects, capital assets, or improvements to existing assets over their useful life.

The current estimate for the Midway Road Reconstruction Project is \$41 million, which includes \$38 million for construction as presented in 2016 plus \$3 million to incorporate the Master Transportation Plan elements. There is \$16 million available from funds approved during the 2012 bond election, but that leaves a \$25 million gap. Council directed Mr. Pierson to proceed with the issuance of certificates of obligation for Midway Road based on the need of the project as identified by the design estimate to cover the remainder.

In 2016, the City Council approved a \$6.5 million economic development incentive agreement to reimburse the Addison Grove developer for the cost of the public infrastructure related to that project. The incentive was to be cash funded from multiple Town funding sources. The cash funding will impact the financial resources from those funding sources, particularly the General Fund, to deliver Town services. Three million dollars will already have been escrowed for the project by the end of Fiscal Year 2019. Council directed Mr. Pierson to proceed with the issuance of \$3.25 million in certificates of obligation to cover the balance of the Addison Grove economic development incentive.

Public hearings for both of these items will be held as the projects progress so residents will have the opportunity share their feedback on decisions that may impact the current tax rate.

You can watch the discussion [here](#) and read the presentation [here](#).

At the November 27 Council Meeting, the Council will discuss the possibility of a 2019 bond program. As part of that program, we anticipate the need to form a Bond Advisory Committee to help prioritize projects. The projects being considered impact our roads, parks, and municipal buildings. Both residents and members of the business community are encouraged to participate. If you are interested in being considered for this committee, please fill out [this short form](#).

The time commitment and make up of the committee will be determined by Council in the coming weeks. Thank you for your willingness to serve.

Council Approves Contract to Replace Athletic Club HVAC

Council approved a \$1.18 million contract with Infinity Contractors International for the replacement of the Addison Athletic Club HVAC at the November 13 Council meeting. The project is expected to take approximately six months to complete. The Town bid this project in May 2018 and only received one bid that significantly exceeded the budget. Council opted to reject that bid and rebid the project this fall. The Town received four responses when the project was rebid and the low bid from Infinity Contractors was nearly \$400,000 less than the original bid that was rejected in May.

You can read the presentation [here](#) or watch it [here](#).

Congrats to the Class of 2018 Citizens Academy Graduates

Citizens Academy is a three-day instructional program designed to provide residents of Addison with a strong working knowledge of civic and municipal operations of the Town of Addison. The program consists of three Saturday sessions covering a variety of topics including City Council roles and responsibilities, economic development, finance, infrastructure and development services, and many other Addison-focused municipal subjects. Congrats to our 2018 graduates:

Bob Catalani
Nancy Craig
Kent Domingue
Donna Duffy
Angie Fields
Bill Godfrey
Brooks Haley
Glenn Levy
Avery Lovelady
George Pena

Council Discusses Addison Circle/ Cotton Belt Special Area Study Findings

Staff and the Town's consultants from Kimley-Horn and Associates presented the findings of the [Addison Circle/Cotton Belt Special Area Study](#) to Council at the August 14, 2018 meeting. At a work session on November 13, Kimley-Horn representatives gave an update to Council on questions asked since the August presentation. Council gave direction to the consultants on issues related to density, land uses, and character. The study will be updated with the new feedback and brought back to Council for further consideration at a future meeting. You can watch the discussion [here](#).

Council Approves Funding for Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce

During the November 13 meeting, Council approved funding requests for the Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce and the World Affairs Council of Dallas/Fort Worth.

The Metrocrest Chamber, whose mission is to create economic prosperity for its members by providing programs, resources, and support that assist and benefit business, government, and citizens resulting in a vibrant place to live and work, received a \$35,000 grant. You can watch the discussion [here](#).

The World Affairs Council is a dynamic organization that brings international awareness and cross-cultural understanding to the North Texas community and presents distinguished international figures year-round for in-depth interpretations of global events. They were awarded a \$60,000 grant.

<p>Public Safety</p>

Santa's Heroes Toy Drive is Back!



Join us this holiday season as the Addison Police and Fire Departments transform into Santa's Heroes. Please help us bring joy to girls and boys in Addison by donating new, unwrapped toys. Donations can be dropped off in the Addison Police or Fire Station 1 lobbies or any city buildings until December 14 or you can bring them to the Holiday Brunch and Open House on December 2.

Around Town

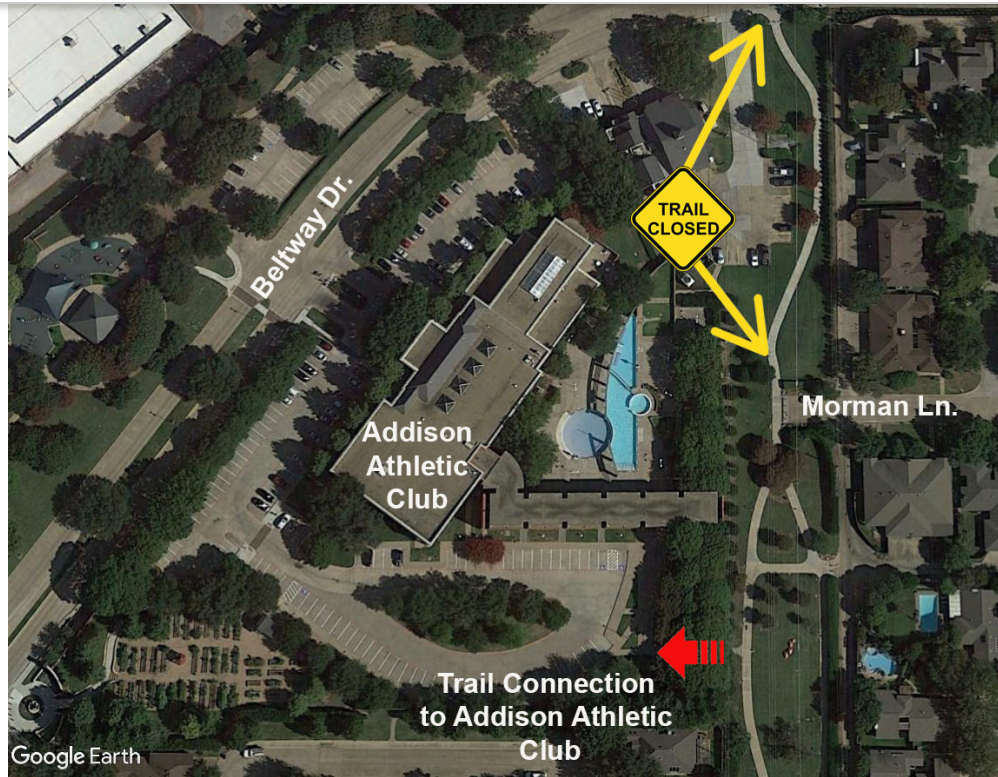
Town Offices Closed on Thursday, November 22 - Friday, November 23



*Happy
Thanksgiving!*

In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, all Town offices will be closed on Thursday, November 22 and Friday, November 23. If you need immediate assistance, Addison's non-emergency public safety number is 972-450-7156.

Sections of Redding Trail To Be Closed During Construction



Beginning Monday, November 19, a small portion of the Redding Trail will be closed for construction of the Sherlock Drive Drainage Improvements. As construction progresses, the trail closure will extend just south of the trail connection at Morman Lane. Residents will still be able to access the Addison Athletic Club from the trailhead located adjacent to the red Loop the Loop sculpture. We appreciate your patience as these important drainage improvements are being completed.

Thanks to Bank of America Volunteers!



Many thanks to the Bank of America volunteers who were able to finish the landscape project at the Addison Community Garden on Wednesday, November 7 that was begun by another volunteer group last month. They tackled 10 yards of decomposed granite and had it all spread in two hours! Bank of America has helped our Town with numerous outdoor projects and they have provided countless volunteers to help us during our Special Events. City Manager Wes Pierson stopped by to personally thank them for serving in the Addison community.

Winter Active Addison Guide is Out



The Addison Athletic Club's [Winter Active Addison Guide](#) is now out! Addison residents can start registering for all the programs, trips, and classes starting Monday, November 19.

Addison Has Two Tree Lightings to Kick Off the Holiday Season

ADDISON 2018 CIRCLE
Tree Lighting
 NOV 16 | 6:30-8:30PM | BECKERT PARK

Come Celebrate!

Santa & Mrs. Claus / Carriage Rides / Giveaways
 Kids Entertainment / Holiday Gift Shopping / Music & More

PLEASE BRING A CANNED FOOD ITEM & HELP METROCREST'S FOOD BANK

MAA | Methodist | WHOLE FOODS | ADDISON | Frost | LINCOLN PROPERTY COMPANY
 THE Blain GROUP REAL ESTATE | Habitat's LEADERSHIP | AMLI RESIDENTIAL | CORT | HOLT LUNSFORD | ENSLIN PARTNERS

SPARKLING NIGHTS **DAZZLING SIGHTS**

Cash Only

VITRUVIAN Lights

Holiday Lights Spectacular | **Food Trucks & Holiday Treats**

Nov. 23 at 6pm

Live Performances - 6pm to 10pm <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nov. 23 - Jordan Kahn Orchestra• Dec. 1 - Dallas String Quartet• Dec. 8 - Sonny's Holliday Parking \$10 - Cash Only	Classic Holiday Characters Metrocrest Services Food & Toy Drive
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At Vitruvian Park in Addison, produced in partnership with:

VITRUVIANLIGHTS.COM   

Run the Lights 5K and Fun Run



Get ready to Run The Lights! Addison Legacy Foundation's annual 5K and Fun Run will start at 7:30pm on Friday, November 30, winding through the beautiful forest of lighted trees in Vitruvian Park. Be sure to register soon because the race sells out early! Enjoy the holiday festivities with Santa, music, and food trucks. To register or for more information, visit runthelights.org.

Addison Arbor Foundation Presents: Nature-Inspired Holiday Decorations



Make your holidays cheery and bright while you indulge your creative side. Learn how to create festive and organic holiday decorations with natural elements from Acorns to Zinnias. Registration is required but space is limited, so make your reservations early!

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Saturday, December 1

9:30am - 11am

Addison Athletic Club

3900 Beltway Drive

Many thanks to the Addison Arbor Foundation for offering these free sessions to our community.

Cavanaugh Flight Museum Celebrates 25 Years



On Saturday, November 10, the Cavanaugh Flight Museum celebrated their 25th anniversary. Since 1993, the museum has made aviation history exciting in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area. During that time, the museum has grown into one of the premier aviation history museums in the nation! Council Member Guillermo Quintanilla celebrated the big day with some visitors before they took a ride in the Cavanaugh's Huey helicopter.

New Website Design



Addison is getting a digital facelift! We are in the process of developing a new Town website that we hope will be much more user-friendly. We would like your input on a few design options on [this brief survey](#). We will be launching the new site in the first quarter of 2019, so stay tuned for more details.

We Want Your Input For Les Lacs Pond



Due to the age of the pond liner and edge, Les Lacs Pond is experiencing degradation and will require replacement in the future. A base project has been identified to include removal and replacement of the liner, construction of a natural edge, pavement modifications to meet accessibility requirements, and

park amenities. Gathered input will be a valuable tool utilized in finalizing the master plan and developing a construction budget for the project. We invite you to join the [Imagine Addison portal](#) to provide your feedback.

Newsletter Update

Beginning with next week's newsletter, we will be moving our newsletters to a new email service provider. We want to make sure that the change does not impact your ability to receive your weekly newsletter in your inbox and not your junk folder. If you notice changes with your newsletter delivery next week, please contact marketing@addisontx.gov. Thanks for your patience as we work to improve our community communication!



Friday, November 16
Addison Circle Tree Lighting
Beckert Park
5044 Addison Circle
6:30pm

Friday, November 23 - December 1, 2019
Vitruvian Lights
Vitruvian Park
3966 Vitruvian Way
6pm

Thursday, November 22 -
Friday, November 23
Town Offices Closed

Friday, November 30
Run The Lights 5K
Vitruvian Park
3966 Vitruvian Way
7:30pm
[Register now](#)

Important Links and Numbers

Town Hall:
[972.450.7000](tel:972.450.7000)

Sign up for [Addison Alerts](#)

Non-emergency Police Dispatch:
[972.450.7156](tel:972.450.7156)

[List of Restaurants](#)

Missed Trash:
[972.392.9300](tel:972.392.9300)

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Athletic Club:

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Spectrum subscribers)

[Volunteer](#)

[Register your Security Alarm](#)

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