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# A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

June 1, 2018

# **Council Updates**

# Council Gets Update on Addison's New Adopt-a-Park Program



Addison holds a Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Stormwater federal permit which is regulated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. One of the components required to comply with the permit is a public education, outreach, and involvement initiative. At a work session prior to the May 22 Council Meeting, Management Assistant Marissa Paz explained to Council how the Town's new Adopt-a-Park program fulfills this requirement. The Adopt-a-Park program formalizes what was already being implemented through the Addison Addvocates Volunteer program, which coordinates with area businesses to work in our parks, plant pollinator patches, and much more. You can watch the discussion here and get more information on the program here.

**Addison Arbor Foundation Presents Concept for Next Public Art Piece** 

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During the May 22 City Council Meeting, the Addison Arbor Foundation presented their concept for a new glass and corten steel sculpture to be located at the northwest corner of Bosque Park in Addison Circle. The sculpture is estimated to cost less than \$15,000 and will be funded from the grant funding that the Town provided to the Addison Arbor Foundation for Fiscal Year 2018. Installation is estimated to be completed in summer 2018.

The artist, Pascale Pryor, is an emerging Dallas-based artist who works in steel and mixed media (glass and steel) for her art. She has multiple installations located in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

You can watch the discussion here.

# **CFO Delivers Second Quarter Financial Update**

Addison CFO Olivia Riley delivered the quarterly financial report for the second quarter which ended on March 31 to Council on May 22. Some of the highlights of the update include:

- Overall General Fund revenues are up approximately 4% compared to the prior year. Sales tax
  collections are up approximately 4% compared to the prior year and expenditures for the various
  departments are on pace with or below their respective budgets.
- Hotel occupancy tax revenues are 2.1% lower than last year. However, expenditures remain in line with budgeted amounts.
- Airport fund revenues are up 4% principally due to the increase in receipts of fees. However, expenditures remain in line with budgeted amounts.
- Utility fund revenues are 7% more than at the same time in fiscal year 2017. As a part of the
  adopted fiscal year 2018 budget, utility rates were increased approximately by 5%. Operating
  expenses are also higher than in fiscal year 2017 as a result of increases in the cost of water from
  the City of Dallas, wastewater treatment, and the legal expenses related to the Landmark lawsuit.

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• Storm water revenues are up approximately 9% compared to the prior year while operating expenses remain in line with budgeted amounts.

You can watch the discussion here or read the report here.

# **Council Appoints Primary and Alternate Representatives to the RTC**

The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) is a 44-member independent transportation policymaking body which determines how regional transportation funds should be spent. The municipalities of Richardson and Addison share one representative. At the May 22 meeting, the City Council appointed Richardson City Council Member Steve Mitchell as its primary representative and Addison Council Member Ivan Hughes as its alternate representative. Both of these individuals are currently serving in their respective roles. The City of Richardson and the Town of Addison rotate the appointments and collaborate together to ensure that the interests of both cities are represented.

Council Grants Permanent Air Rights Easement to Urban Intown Homes, LTD to Allow Certain Townhome Units to Extend Over Public Easements

In 2016, the City Council approved the zoning for the Addison Grove redevelopment of the former Sam's Club at 4150 Belt Line Road. As part of the development plan approval, it was contemplated that the townhome units adjacent to the intersection of the public streets and the private alleys would bridge over the alley and connect to the adjacent row of townhomes.

These private alleys are encumbered by a Fire Lane, Access and Utility Easement (FLAUE) that was granted by the developer to the Town when the property was replatted. This FLAUE is necessary because the alleys provide the Fire Department access to the townhomes and serve as the corridor for water, sanitary sewer, drainage, and electrical service facilities. Typically, no structure is allowed in or above an easement. To improve the aesthetics of the development, staff has worked with the developer to allow these bridge units while ensuring that proper access is maintained.

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# Join us for the Kids and Cops Spring Cookout on June 9



We invite you to the spring Kids and Cops cookout from 11am-3pm on June 9 at Les Lacs Park. Don't miss out on a chance to meet Addison Police Officers while enjoying music, inflatables, free food sponsored by Blue Goose Cantina, games, photo opportunities, and giveaways!

#### **Business Pulse**

Fifth Annual Economic Development Luncheon June 14



Join us for the Fifth Annual Addison Economic Development Luncheon, For the Love of Cities: How to fall in love with your city! on Thursday, June 14 from 11:30am-1pm at the Dallas/Addison Marriott Quorum by the Galleria. Tickets are \$25 per person or reserve a table of eight for \$400. Tickets are available here.

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Peter Kageyama is the author of For the Love of Cities: The Love Affair Between People and Their Places and the follow-up, Love Where You Live: Creating Emotionally Engaging Places. He is an internationally sought-after community development consultant and grassroots engagement strategist who speaks all over the world about bottom-up community development and the amazing people who are making change happen.

Here's an added bonus this year: Spectrum Reach, our door prize sponsor, has donated a 40" Samsung UHD Smart TV, Fitbit Ionic, and Google Home door prize package valued at more than \$1,000.



**Elevate Credit Inc. Will Expand at Spectrum Center** 

Elevate Credit Inc, a Fort Worth-based company, will expand at Spectrum Center by doubling both the size of its footprint and the capacity for employees to work in the office. Elevate provides financial credit to customers through online sources and is a fast-growing company. The company is growing from 26,000 to 52,000 square feet in the 614,000 square-foot office complex. Get the full scoop on bizjournals.com.

**Around Town** 

Friday Nights in Addison Have Never Been Hotter!

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### **Summer Series Kicks Off Tonight, June 1**



Join us in Addison Circle Park on Friday, June 1 from 7pm - 9pm for our first FREE concert of the summer. Dallas' favorite dance band - Jordan Kahn Orchestra - will take the stage. Skinny Pizza will be selling pizza in the pavilion at Addison Circle Park. If you pre-order on their app before 5pm the day of the concert, they'll supply a coupon code on Facebook to receive 20% off. Not in the mood for pizza? Other Addison Circle restaurants are offering Summer Series specials too!

If you want to play and stay, we've got hotel packages available for Summer Series Concerts now. Get reserved seating on an Addison-branded blanket plus some good swag.

**Addison Circle Art Festival Rescheduled for June 2** 

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Over 40 artists work on display!

Balloon Artist | DJ| Fine Art and Jewelry Live Painting Demonstration by Christina Yielding from 2pm – 4pm

For more information visit the Addison Circle Restaurants and Retailers Shopping Center facebook page.









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Mark your calendar for the Addison Circle Art Festival on Saturday, June 2, from noon to 4pm at Beckert Park.

Big D BBQ Battle is Back in Addison on June 9



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On Saturday, June 9 from 5pm - 9pm at Addison Circle Park, the Big D BBQ Battle cook-off competition brings the best brisket, chicken, pork ribs, pork shoulder, and pinto beans to the table in an all-out battle for bragging rights to be "the best BBQ in North Dallas."

The first 1,000 people through the gate will have the opportunity to cast their vote for this year's "People's Choice" award! <u>Tickets</u> include BBQ samples, local craft beer, car show midway, kids zone, and more - while supplies last.

This event, hosted by the North Dallas Chamber of Commerce, benefits the Guns and Hoses Foundation of North Texas, an organization dedicated to assisting the families of fallen first responders who have lost their lives in the line of duty.



Texas Smartscape: Water U Doing? Water Efficient Sprinklers

What are you doing for your landscape? Save water, money, and time by giving your sprinkler system a "Spruce Up." Come learn how minor do-it-yourself repairs and simple irrigation tips can make a MAJOR impact on your water waste and your water bill. If you've got questions about your controller or how much your lawn and landscape really needs, we've got a stream of info to get your plants looking their best! The cost is free, so register now.

Monday, June 11 6:30pm - 8:30pm Surveyor Water Tower 4000 Arapaho Road \*|MC:SUBJECT|\*

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#### Friday, June 1

#### Summer Series - Jordan Kahn Orchestra

Addison Circle Park 7pm

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Saturday, June 2

**Addison Circle Art Festival** 

Beckert Park 12pm-4pm

#### Wednesday, June 6

**Mayor's Coffee** 

Dunn Brothers Coffee 3725 Belt Line Road 10am

Saturday, June 9

Big D BBQ Battle

Addison Circle Park 5pm

# **Important Links and Numbers**

Town Hall:

972.450.7000

Non-emergency Police Dispatch:

972.450.7156

Missed Trash:

972.392.9300

**Athletic Club:** 

972.450.7048

Pay a utility bill

Volunteer

Sign up for Addison Alerts

**List of Restaurants** 

Addison News Blog

Watch City Council Meetings

Community Crime Map

Addison's PEG Channel
(channel 99 for AT&T subscribers, channel 16 for

Spectrum subscribers)

Register your Security Alarm

# **Stay Connected**











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