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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

August 17, 2018

Council Updates

August 17 Budget Work Session Canceled

The Council was able to discuss all the of the items on the budget work session agenda during their first budget work session on August 16, so they have canceled the August 17 meeting. You can view the budget work session presentation [here](#) and watch the session [here](#).

Council Sets Public Hearings for Proposed Tax Rate and 2019 Budget

The State's Truth-in-Taxation law no longer requires the Council to take a record vote on a not-to-exceed tax rate. However, the law still requires calculation and publication of each taxing entity's effective tax and rollback tax rates. The effective rate, the rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for the Town from the same properties as in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, is \$0.527064 per \$100 of valuation. The rollback rate, the highest tax rate that the Town may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate to the rollback rate, is \$0.553323 per \$100 of valuation.

The [City Manager's proposed budget](#) assumes a property tax rate of \$0.550000, which exceeds the effective tax rate but is lower than the FY2019 rollback rate and remains the same as the FY2018 adopted rate. Because the Council is considering a rate higher than the effective rate, the Truth-in-Taxation law requires a vote of record, which took place at the August 14 City Council Meeting. The law also requires the publication of the result of the vote of record and the date for the two required public hearings. You can see the dates and times for the scheduled public hearings [here](#), which were published in the *Dallas Morning News* on August 17.

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

Addison Partners with NTCOG and RTC on Cotton Belt Funding



At the August 14 meeting, Council approved an interlocal agreement with the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NTCOG) and the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) that will fund the \$5 million that the Addison City Council committed to DART on May 26, 2015 upon the completion of the Cotton Belt Rail Corridor Project. As part of the interlocal [agreement](#), the interest rate is set at 1.8% and begins accruing from the date the Cotton Belt is complete. Addison has ten years to repay the loan from the date the project is finished and is not responsible for any repayment of the loan unless and until the Cotton Belt is completed.

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

Addison Needs Volunteers to Help Develop a New Unified Development Code

On June 26, 2018, the City Council approved an agreement with Clarion Associates, LLC to facilitate an assessment of Addison's current development regulations and develop a new unified development code. The project scope anticipates a robust community engagement program. As part of this process, Clarion recommends that Council appoint a special project committee to advise the consultant and staff during the process.

Clarion has recommended that the committee include people with a background in zoning, development, and other codes. These may include planners, architects, landscape architects, engineers, developers, attorneys involved in development, signage professions, and others that are accustomed to reading and understanding development regulations and their implications. Do you know someone in the residential or business community who might be a good fit? If so, please encourage them to consider helping shape Addison's future development.

The current schedule proposes eight meetings with the special project committee over the two-year duration of the project. If you are interested in being considered, please fill out [this application](#). Council will be making appointments at an upcoming Council Meeting.

You can see the Council discussion on this topic [here](#).

Athletic Club HVAC Update

At the [May 22, 2018 Council meeting](#), the City Council rejected the bid for the Addison Athletic Club HVAC system because the Town only had one bidder for the project and the amount significantly exceeded the budget that had been presented to Council. At the August 14 meeting, PGAL, the

professional services consultant the Town contracted to assist with this project, gave Council a project update. Since the May meeting, PGAL has addressed the issues discussed and hired a third party to perform a peer review of the revised project scope. The current timetable calls for putting the project out to bid after Labor Day and for construction to begin in November.

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

Upcoming Public Hearings

The following public meetings will take place at the August 21 Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting at Addison Town Hall beginning at 6pm. The [agenda](#) will be available here three days prior to the meeting.

Western International Offices. Public hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance changing the zoning on the vacant parcel, generally located at 15275 Quorum Drive, on the southeast corner of Edwin Lewis Drive and Quorum Drive, which is currently zoned Planned Development (PD) through Ordinance No. O18-013, to a new PD in order to allow the development of a two-story single-tenant office building with surface parking.

Addison Office Condos. Public hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance changing the zoning on 1.446 acres generally located at 16360-16400 Addison Road, which is currently zoned Commercial-1 (C-1), to a PD zoning district, allowing shared parking across property lines.

Business Pulse

Welcome to Addison, Apple Spice!



Apple Spice, a premier box lunch delivery and catering company, held their ribbon cutting on Wednesday, August 8 at their new location in Addison at 15004 Beltway Drive next to Addison Coffee Roasters. Council Members Lori Ward and Tom Braun, Economic Development and Tourism Director Orlando Campos, and Economic Development Manager Wilson Kerr welcomed this new company to Addison. Apple Spice is a family-run franchise which specializes in providing business and corporate breakfasts

and lunches. The company is known for making homemade soups, breads, and salads and providing healthy options for their patrons. Next time you are considering catering for your event or meeting, give [Apple Spice](#) a chance. Welcome to Addison!

The Economic Development Teams Pays a Visit to American Flyers



On August 16, Mayor Joe Chow, Economic Development and Tourism Director Orlando Campos, Deputy Director of Addison Airport Darci Neuzil, and Economic Development Manager Wilson Kerr visited American Flyers to learn more about this unique company. American Flyers is a flight training school that has been training world-class pilots from all parts of the globe since 1939. The Addison team was given a tour of the facility by American Flyers President Jill Cole, who has been with the company since she was 15 and continues to bring her passion for aviation to the workplace daily. American Flyers is an indispensable company that expands Addison's image and reach globally.

Public Safety

COMMUNITY MEETING



The Addison Police Department will be discussing the use of License Plate Recognition (LPR) at key neighborhood entry points and optical video along the White Rock Creek and Easement Trails. Please share this information with your neighbors and plan to join us!

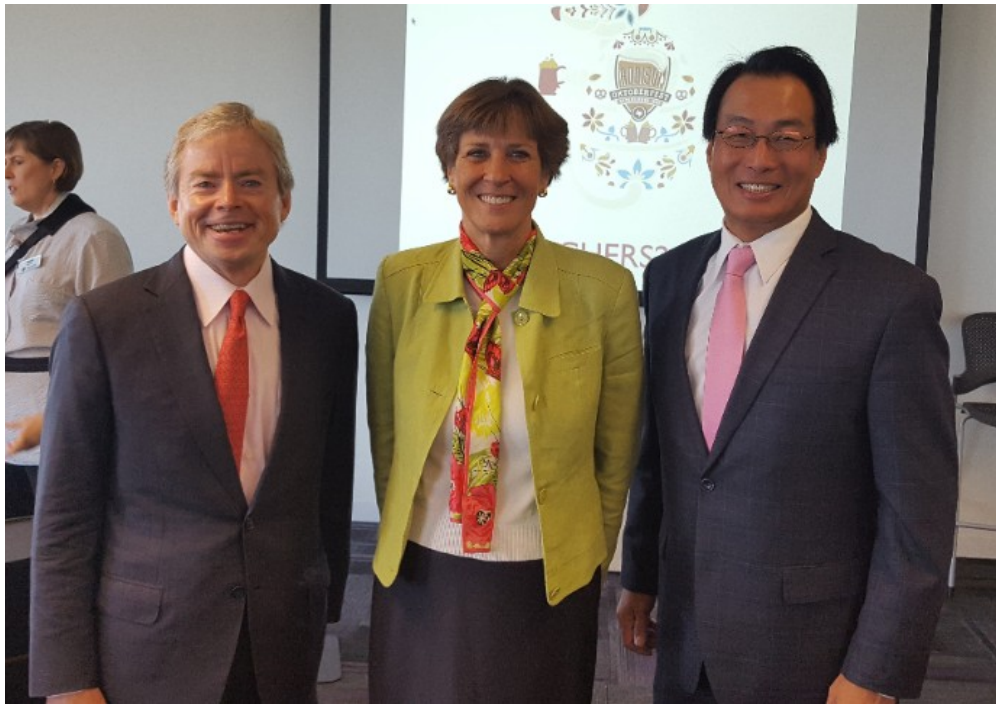
JOIN US!



Thursday, August 23
6:30pm
Addison TreeHouse
14681 Midway Road

Around Town

George Bush Elementary School Appreciation Breakfast



On Thursday, August 16, the Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce held an appreciation breakfast for the teachers and administrators at George Bush Elementary School, the only public school located within the Town of Addison. Abilene Christian University hosted the event at their Addison campus at 16633 Dallas Parkway. Mayor Joe Chow, Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore Tom Braun, and Council Members Lori Ward and Marlin Willesen were joined by State Senator Don Huffines and numerous Town of Addison staff to show their support for these educators as they begin their new school year.

Metrocrest Services Needs Your Help!



As one of the Top 200 finalists in the [State Farm](#) Neighborhood Assist® grant program, Metrocrest Services has the opportunity to win one of 40 grants with YOUR vote! With your help, Sack Summer Hunger could win a \$25,000 grant. You can [vote](#) up to ten times a day through August 24.

Janna Tidwell Promoted to Director of Parks and Recreation

City Manager Wes Pierson recently announced that after a conducting a national search, he has selected Janna Tidwell to be Addison's new Director of Parks and Recreation. Ms. Tidwell, who joined Addison as

Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation in 2017, has been serving as the Interim Director of Parks and Recreation since Michael Kashuba relocated to Amarillo early this year.

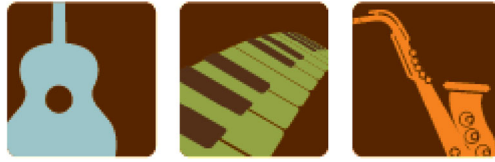
Ms. Tidwell is a graduate of Texas Tech University and holds a Bachelor of Science in Horticulture and Master's degree in Landscape Architecture and is a registered landscape architect. Prior to joining Addison, she was a landscape architect with Schrickel, Rollins and Associates, where she led cutting-edge sustainability projects. In her spare time, Ms. Tidwell is a sculptor and landscape architect recognized for her organic, nature-inspired designs. Congratulations!

Addison Summer Series Presents: IDT Band



Hang on to that sweet summer feeling this Friday night at Addison Summer Series! On Friday, August 17, come on out to Beckert Park from 7pm-9pm to enjoy FREE live music from IDT Band. Be sure to take advantage of the nearby [restaurant offers](#) and [hotel packages](#) to stay the night afterward! Please visit AddisonSummerSeries.com for the full schedule and more information.

The Last Vitruvian Nights Live



VITRUVIAN NIGHTS LIVE

Come out to Vitruvian Park on Thursday, August 23 from 7pm-9:30pm for the last Vitruvian Nights Live of the summer featuring King George, a George Strait Tribute Band. Food trucks and parking are available onsite at Vitruvian Park.



Friday, August 17

Summer Series - IDT Band

Beckert Park
5044 Addison Circle
7pm

[Restaurant Specials and Hotel Packages](#)

Thursday, August 23

Addison Police Department

Community Meeting
Addison TreeHouse
14681 Midway Road
6:30pm

Saturday, August 18

Vitruvian Salsa Festival

Vitruvian Park
3966 Vitruvian Way
6pm-10pm

Vitruvian Nights Live

Vitruvian Park
3966 Vitruvian Way
7pm-9:30pm

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](#)

[Addison News Blog](#)

Missed Trash:

[972.392.9300](tel:972.392.9300)

Athletic Club:

[972.450.7048](tel:972.450.7048)

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