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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

March 22, 2019

Council Updates

Council Discusses Draft Economic Development Strategic Plan

In the spring of 2018, the City Council approved a contract with Ady Advantage and Gateway Planning for the development of a new Economic Development Strategic Plan. The previous plan was adopted in 2010, and all of the goals have been achieved. Ady Advantage evaluated the community by conducting an in-depth demographic analysis and interviews with local executives, key stakeholders, Council Members, and residents. Ady Advantage also conducted an online survey to seek feedback from the community. Their work has been synthesized into a draft Economic Development Strategic Plan. Ady Advantage along with Gateway Planning have developed a new vision, set of new goals, and tactics as part of their recommendations for the plan.

The consultants presented the draft plan to Council at a Special Council Work Session on Thursday, March 14 and requested their feedback and direction.

The final plan will be brought back to Council for consideration at a future meeting. Once the plan is adopted, the Economic Development and Tourism Department will begin work on the implementation of the plan's goals and tactics which will provide a roadmap for Addison's continued economic growth and prosperity.

You can [watch the Council discussion here](#) and review the [Economic Development draft Strategic Executive Summary here](#), [full report here](#), and [Appendix here](#).

Addison Police Department Submits Grant Request for Assistance with Record Management System/NIBRS Conversion Project

In November of 2018, the Addison Police Department was notified by the State of Texas, Officer of the Governor, of their eligibility to receive a grant designated to enable local law enforcement agencies to upgrade their technology infrastructure to allow for and support the submission of data to the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) and National Incident Based System (NIBRS). It is the goal of the State of Texas that all police departments make this change by September 1, 2019 and will be mandatory by the FBI in 2021.

As is required by the grant application procedures, Council approved a [resolution](#) at its March 12 City Council Meeting approving submission of the grant application and authorizing the City Manager to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant.

The grant funds will offset costs associated with Addison's current Record Management System (RMS) project to collect and process data that can be submitted to the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) UCR Program in the NIBRS format.

You can [watch the Council's grant discussion here](#) .

Last Day To Register to Vote in the May Election is April 4



Thursday, April 4 is the last day to submit a voter registration application in time to vote in May 4, 2019 election. Not sure you are registered or need to download a voter registration application? Visit the [Dallas County Elections website](#) for more the details.

Business Pulse

The TreeHouse is Offering Free Day Passes to the First 10 Addison Residents Who Call

ADDISON TREEHOUSE

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Are you working from home or a local coffee shop? The Addison TreeHouse invites you to take advantage of a day-pass to experience what it is like working in a vibrant co-working environment with other like-minded entrepreneurs. The TreeHouse will be providing 10 free day passes to Addison residents. The passes are available on a first-come; first-served basis. All you need is your driver's license or proof of residency to take advantage of the free pass.

Simply contact the Economic Development and Tourism Department at (972) 450-7076 to reserve your spot. While you're visiting there, network with some of the companies based at the TreeHouse and enjoy free Wi-Fi. If you have a friendly dog, you can bring it with you because the TreeHouse is dog friendly, but don't forget its leash.

Around Town

Congratulations to Volunteer Kathy Farrer!



Many thanks to volunteer Kathy Farrer who has accumulated over 300 volunteer hours with our Addison Citizens Assisting Police program. Kathy has volunteered with Addison on a regular basis since 2012 and enjoys serving her community. She usually patrols four hours at a time, several times a month. Police Chief Paul Spencer was on hand to present Kathy with her 300-hour award. Thank you for your dedication to this program, Kathy!

Find Out More About the Cotton Belt Rail Line



DART is holding a series of community meetings to review the progress of the Cotton Belt Corridor Regional Rail Project. Members of the Design-Pre-Construction Management Team will be on hand to outline the latest developments and answer your questions.

Presentations during these meetings will include:

- Updated alignment drawings showing track configurations, final grade separations (bridges) and station locations per the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS);
- An overview of the Design-Builder's early design and construction schedule;
- A description of pre-construction equipment and processes to be used along the alignment;
- A general summary of project information;
- Identification of contacts for FAQs and community concerns.

The meeting in Addison will be held at **6:30pm on Wednesday, April 3 at the Addison Conference Centre** , but you can see a full list of meetings on [DART's website](#) .

Don't Miss This Animal Adoption Opportunity



Since National Puppy Day is March 23, Neighborhood Medical Center invited Addison's Animal Control Department to bring its adoptable animals to a Block Party at 5917 Belt Line Road on March 23 from 10am - 4pm. During the event, adoption fees will be waived, so come out and find your furever friend!

March 23
10am - 4pm
5917 Belt Line Road

We Need Your Input on Updating Addison's Unified Development Code



Addison is in the process of a comprehensive review of the Town's development regulations. Many of the Town's rules for development were crafted in the 1980s and may not be keeping up with current development trends, shifting demographics, and evolving consumer preferences or current and future community needs. To accomplish this review, the Town is working with consulting firm, Clarion Associates. Clarion has completed an assessment of the Town's current development regulations and identified opportunities for enhancement and areas where input is needed from the public.

You can review [Clarion's assessment here](#) and provide us with feedback via email at udc@addisontx.gov. You can also join us for a public input meeting and discussion on the future of Addison's development regulations:

Public Input Meeting
Wednesday, March 27
Addison Treehouse
6:30pm

Pick Up and Return Your Amazon Packages at Whole Foods



Addison-area Amazon shoppers can now pick up and return packages at the Whole Foods in Village on the Parkway. The first of its kind in DFW, the Addison store has Amazon lockers that are staffed with people to help make your returns even easier. Packages can be returned at the store without a box and the workers will pack it up and send it for you. Got a busy week or headed out of town? No problem! The Addison Whole Foods can hold packages for 15 days. When you place your Amazon order, just select the Addison store as your destination!

Denise Lee Sells Out Tuesday Cabaret at the Addison Theatre Centre



On Tuesday, March 19, Addison Theatre Centre and Denise Lee Onstage brought Cabaret to Addison. Playing before a sold out crowd, Denise wowed audiences with her renditions of "I'll Never Fall in Love Again" and "Walk on By." Stay tuned for more Tuesday Cabaret coming soon!



Friday, March 22 - Sunday, March 24

WTT Presents: *Dark Circles Contemporary Dance*

Addison Theatre Centre
15650 Addison Road

[Click here for tickets and showtimes](#)

Tuesday, March 26

Addison City Council Meeting

Addison Town Hall
5300 Belt Line Road
7:30pm

[Agendas are posted here](#) three days prior to the meeting.

Wednesday, March 27

Addison Unified Development Code Public Input Meeting

Addison TreeHouse
14681 Midway Road
6:30pm

Thursday, March 28

Special Council Meeting on the Unified Development Code

Addison TreeHouse
14681 Midway Road
6pm - 8pm

[Agendas are posted here](#) three days prior to the meeting.

Important Numbers and Websites

Town Hall:

972-450-7000

Non-emergency Police Dispatch:

972-450-7156

Missed Trash:

972-392-9300, Option

Athletic Club:

972-450-7048

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