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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

April 19, 2019

Council Updates

Early Voting Begins Monday, April 22

Early voting for the May 4 Election will take place at Addison Fire Station #1 at 4798 Airport Parkway on the following days and times:

Monday, April 22 - Saturday, April 27: 8am - 5pm

Sunday, April 28: 1pm - 5pm

Monday, April 29 - Tuesday, April 30: 7am - 7pm

Please note that Dallas County voters can vote at any early voting location. Get the complete list here.

Council Gets Update on Les Lacs Pond Liner Replacement

At the April 9 Council Meeting, Parks and Recreation Director Janna Tidwell reintroduced the Les Lacs Pond Liner Replacement project to Council that was started in 2017. The project, which had been put on hold until other projects could be completed, involves replacing the Les Lacs pond liner that is beginning to tear.

Mrs. Tidwell shared some of the community input that was recently received on the project. To help facilitate public input, staff developed an online web portal called "Imagine Addison" that allowed participants to build their own project by adding proposed

enhancements for the pond edge condition, planting style, interactive elements, site improvement elements, environmental elements, and aesthetic improvements onto the base project. As participants built their own project, the project budget would adjust to include their selections. In addition to developing the project budget, the portal tallied the potential tax implications associated with the project if taxes were to be increased to fund the project. Although there are other funding options that can be considered for the project, calculation of the tax rate provided residents with a tangible avenue to weigh project costs. The portal also allowed participants to provide additional feedback to staff regarding the project.

Council provided feedback on the elements that were shared with the public and discussed next steps. Staff will continue researching possible grants that might help offset the cost of some of the amenities around the pond and will come back to Council at a later date with more information and recommendations.

You can watch Council's Les Lacs discussion here and view the presentation here .





On <u>February 20, 2019</u> Council approved a resolution adopting the <u>Belt Line 1.5</u> <u>Beautification Master Plan</u>. During that meeting, staff presented the anticipated budget of \$2,127,022 and asked Council to provide direction on a scope for the project. Council direction was to move forward with the production of construction documents for six bus shelters, one gateway monument, enhanced intersections, enhanced medians, retaining walls, sidewalk addition, and removal and replacement of existing pavers.

At its April 9 meeting, Council approved a contract with Pacheco Koch for \$223,000 for design development, development of the construction documents, bidding services, and construction administration for the Belt Line 1.5 project. Additionally, staff has requested the consultant create a district monument design that will expand on the design of the gateway monument, creating a family of signs to respond to future development along the corridor.

The timeline for the project will be as follows:

Design through Construction Documents: 23 Weeks

Bidding: 4 Weeks **Construction:** 20 Weeks

Total: 47 Weeks

There is some easement acquisition that will be required before construction on the project can begin and will happen in tandem with the creation of construction documents. This anticipated schedule does not include any delays that might occur due to the easement acquisition process.

You can watch the Belt Line 1.5 Council discussion here.

Council Approves Contract for Dredging and De-silting of Farmers Branch Creek

At its April 9 Meeting, Council approved a \$1.2 million contract with Energy Resources, Inc. for the dredging and de-silting of Farmers Branch Creek. Construction on the Vitruvian Park reservoir area was completed in 2011, and since that time a considerable amount of silt and sediment has built up in the creek. This sediment must now be removed to restore the storage capacity of the reservoirs. De-silting the reservoirs will also improve the overall health and ecosystem of the pond and enhance the aesthetics.

The project scope includes removing approximately 5,000 cubic yards of silt, hauling off the material dredged from the reservoirs, and restoring the affected areas. The plan calls for using a hydraulic dredging method where water-filled sediment is sucked up from the pond bottom through a vacuum-like device. The sediment will be put in large drying bags that will be placed in temporary construction easements on the banks of the ponds until the material dries enough to be removed. The hydraulic dredging method should have minimal on impact on fish/wildlife.

There are no plans to lower water levels or dam the flow of water down the creek in anyway so there should be no water stoppage. Work is expected to take four months to complete upon approval of all required submittals and issuance of the notice to proceed.

You can watch the <u>Council discussion on the Farmers Branch Creek dredging project</u> <u>here.</u>

Upcoming Public Hearings

The following public hearings will take place at the April 25 City Council meeting which will be held at Addison Town Hall, 5300 Belt Line Road, at 7:30pm. The <u>meeting agenda will be posted here</u> three days prior to the meeting:

PUBLIC HEARING Case 1792-SUP/BoomerJack's . Public hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance changing the zoning on property located at 5100 Belt Line Road Suite 401, which is currently zoned PD, Planned Development, through Ordinance 012-001, by amending an existing Special Use Permit for a restaurant and arcade with the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption only, in order to allow expansion in floor area.

PUBLIC HEARING Case 1793-Z/14555 Dallas Parkway . Public hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance changing the zoning a property located at 14555 Dallas Parkway, which is currently zoned PD, Planned Development, through Ordinances O16-028 and O17-05, by amending the conceptual site plan to include an outdoor display of a demo building related to the sale of equipment shelters.

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan: Public hearing regarding the adoption of a new Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan. You can find the draft of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan here.

New Economic Development Strategic Plan: Public hearing regarding the adoption of a new Economic Development (ED) Strategic Plan. You can find the proposed ED Strategic

Plan here.

April 23 Council Meeting Moved to April 25

Just a reminder that the the April 23 Council Meeting has been moved to Thursday, April 25. You can <u>find the agenda here</u> three days prior to the meeting.

Business Pulse

Stature Aviation



On Thursday, April 11, Addison Mayor Joe Chow, Director of Economic Development and Tourism Orlando Campos, Economic Development Manager Wilson Kerr, and Airport Deputy Director Darci Neuzil visited Stature Aviation. Stature Aviation is an aviation company based at Addison Airport that tailors aviation services around customers' interested in buying, selling, leasing, or owning a plane. They have been in Addison since the company started and are very happy to be here. You can find more information on Stature Aviation on their website.

Texas Hotel & Lodging Association President Meets with Addison Hoteliers



On Tuesday, April 16, the Economic Development and Tourism Department hosted a meeting for Addison hoteliers at the Abilene Christian University's Idea Lab Meeting Room. Texas Hotel & Lodging Association President Scott Joslove gave the group an update on legislative issues that impact the tourism industry, as well as some useful tips on service delivery and liability rights. Mayor Joe Chow and Metrocrest Chamber President Erin Carney were on hand to welcome the speaker and answer questions from the guests, along with staff from the Marketing, Development Services, Special Events, Conference Centre, and Economic Development and Tourism Departments.

Meet and Greet at Two Addison Circle Office Building



The Economic Development team spent Wednesday morning, April 17, greeting tenants at the Two Addison Circle office building. Some of the companies housed in the 100% leased building include USAA, Gehan Homes, Cheapcaribbean.com, and Sumitomo Forestry. Council Member Ivan Hughes was there to help pass out granola bars and bananas, and thank employees for working in Addison.

Around Town

Big Crowd at Spring Town Meeting



More than 170 residents attended the Spring Town Meeting at the Addison Conference Centre on Monday, April 15. Council Members updated the crowd on the Belt Line 1.5 Beautification Project, the Midway Road Reconstruction Project, the new Economic Development Strategic Plan, the Bond Advisory Committee, and more. Weren't able to make the meeting? You can watch-it on our website here. Mark your calendar for the Fall Town Meeting scheduled for Monday, October 28.

Fire Hydrants Getting a Facelift



You may have noticed that some of our fire hydrants are getting a new coat of paint and being inspected. We've contracted with R&M Service Solutions to perform this service for the Town, so you may see some of their trucks around town. We have given the work crews a letter that they can show to interested residents stating they are legitimate contractors, but if you have any questions at all, please contact Utilities Manager Jason Sutton at 972-450-2826 or jsutton@addisontx.gov.

Addison Art: Paintings by S. Chuck McCarter



You can find paintings by S. Chuck McCarter at the Addison Conference Centre lobby now through Thursday, May 9. His paintings reflect his natural inclination for the playful interaction of art elements and the world of his experiences, real and imagined. The artist affirms that art is his mind at play and that colors, shapes, and surface textures are his sandbox from which his content emerges.

Schedule a time to come and view his work by calling 972-450-6241. You can view the full Addison Art schedule here .









A little rain didn't stop Addison residents from enjoying the Annual Easter Eggstravaganza on Saturday, April 8. We had nearly 200 residents of all ages come out for the egg hunt, crafts, games, and photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny. Mayor Joe Chow and Council Members Ivan Hughes, Lori Ward, and Marlin Willesen were also on hand to enjoy the event with Addison residents.

WaterTower Theatre's Production of *Everything is Wonderful* Begins This Weekend



The regional premiere of WaterTower Theatre's *Everything is Wonderful* begins April 19 at the Addison Theatre Centre and runs through May 12.

Following a tragic car accident that killed her two brothers, Miri, the excommunicated daughter of an Amish family, returns home to find that her parents have taken in the wayward driver of the car. The past and present collide as the family struggles to reconcile and seek out a new path forward in their faith. *Everything is Wonderful* brings us face to face with this long-misunderstood community in a striking and intricate examination of the complexity of forgiveness.

Get your tickets today at WaterTowerTheatre.org.

Addison Arbor Foundation Presents: Trialed and Trusted Plants



Want your gardens to look like the pages of Southern Living®? On Saturday, April 27 from 9:30am - 11am, Laura Campbell will introduce the newest plant innovations from the Southern Living Plant Collection, proper placement, and planting and care tips, to ensure your gardening success! Register for the free seminar here.

Thanks to the Addison Arbor Foundation for organizing this event as a part of Addison's Earth Day Festivities.

Addison Planning Earth Day Festivities for Saturday, April 27



The Town of Addison , in conjunction with the Addison Arbor Foundation , is hosting Addison's first Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, April 27 from 9am - 11:30am on the lawn in front of the Addison Conference and Theatre Centre . There will be arts and crafts, a scavenger hunt, demonstrations and great prizes. Mark your calendar to join us!

Addison Day at the Cavanaugh Flight Museum



On Saturday, April 27 from 10am - 5pm, Cavanaugh Flight Museum will host Addison Day, an event where all residents and business owners in Addison are encouraged to bring their families for a free day of aviation fun. Enjoy discounted rides, games and activities for the kids, demonstrations with the Sherman tank, aircraft tours, unique photo opportunities with aircraft that are not normally open for viewing, and more!

Admission:

- FREE for all residents and businesses owners in Addison and their families
- Adults: \$12
- Children (4-12): \$6

For more information, visit www.cavflight.org .

Kicking Off Addison Outdoors on May 1



We are excited to announce that we will be expanding our outside fitness programs through the <u>Addison Outdoors</u> program. Join us for the first ever Kickoff Party for Addison Outdoors on Wednesday, May 1 from 11am - 2pm at Addison Circle Park! There will be food trucks, games, fitness competitions, prizes, and giveaways for attendees while supplies last. This event is open to the public. For more information, contact Justin Pollard at 972-450-7048 or jpollard@addisontx.gov.



Friday, April 19 -Sunday, May 12

WTT Presents: Everything is Wonderful

Addison Theatre Centre 15650 Addison Road

Showtimes and tickets here

Thursday, April 25

City Council Meeting -(Rescheduled from April 23) Addison Town Hall 5300 Belt Line Road 7:30pm

Agenda will be available 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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