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# A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

## July 12, 2019

## **Council Update**

## **Council Discusses Strategic Plan for Fiscal Year 2020**

During a special council meeting on Monday, July 8, the City Council reviewed its strategic pillars and milestones for Fiscal Year 2019. The Council reaffirmed its strategic pillars and tweaked the language on some of the ten milestones for Fiscal Year 2020. The pillars and milestones will drive not only budgetary decisions, but also set the priorities for staff in the coming year.

Council will adopt the pillars and milestones in an upcoming City Council Meeting. You can watch the discussion here .

## Discussion Continues on Community Bond Advisory Committee's Final Report

During a work session at its July 9 meeting, Council discussed in more detail the bond propositions recommended by the Community Bond Advisory Committee, the estimated project costs, the financial impact of the recommended bond program, the bond election process and timing, and how bond information will be communicated to residents. F or a November election, Council will need to make a decision on whether to hold a bond election by August 19.

The propositions the Community Bond Advisory Committee proposed are:

#### Proposition One – Roads (East/West): \$22,900,000

- Advanced Traffic Management System (\$600,000)
- Keller Springs Road (\$12,900,000)
- Airport Parkway (\$9,400,000)

#### Proposition Two – Roads (North/South): \$33,602,000

- Quorum Drive (\$26,302,000)
- Montfort Drive (\$7,300,000)

#### Proposition Three – Buildings: \$7,395,000

- ADA Compliance (\$1,500,000)
- Roof Replacements (\$4,000,000)
- HVAC Replacements (\$1,895,000)

#### Proposition Four – Recreation and Lifestyle: \$6,723,002

- Athletic Club (\$3,028,000)
- Les Lacs Pond (\$3,282,000)
- Trail Improvements (\$413,000)

#### Proposition Five – Investment in the Future: \$15,000,000

• Land Acquisition (\$15,000,000)

You can watch the potential bond election discussion here and read the presentation here

## Council Gives Notice of Intention to Issue \$18 Million in Certificates of Obligation

Following a public hearing at its July 9 meeting, Council officially gave notice of the Town's intention to issue \$18,000,000 in Certificates of Obligation. Three million dollars is earmarked for Vitruvian-related projects including streetscape for Vitruvian West Phases two and three, well-site improvements, and the extension of Bella Lane to Alpha Road. The remaining \$15 million will be used to fund a portion of Midway Road reconstruction. The total project cost for Midway Road is estimated to be \$41 million, \$16 million of which is being supported through funds from the 2012 bond election. On <u>November 13, 2018</u>, Council discussed issuing Certificates of Obligation for the \$25 million gap. The issuance of additional Certificates of Obligations will be pursued to pay for the reconstruction project as they are needed.

Unlike the bonds that were passed in December 2018 that are supported through enterprise funds, the sale of these bonds will raise the debt portion of Addison's tax rate from \$0.142648 to approximately \$0.146100. The exact increase will depend on the Town's final certified property values that will be provided by the Dallas County Appraisal District no later than July 25.

The current schedule is to sell the certificates via competitive sale on September 10, 2019.

You can <u>watch the Council's Certificates of Obligation sale discussion here</u> and <u>read the</u> <u>presentation here</u>.

## Council Gets Update on DART Rail Project and Indicates Commitment to Funding for Cotton Belt Hike and Bike Trail

As Council heard at its July 9 meeting, Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) has been making progress towards providing regional rail service to passengers on the Silver Line

(formerly known as the Cotton Belt) that is slated to be complete the end of 2022. Director of Development Services Charles Goff gave Council an update on not only the status of construction along the corridor, but also the development of properties adjacent to the Addison rail station.

You can watch the Cotton Belt Update here and read the Cotton Belt presentation here .

In association with DART's project, the North Central Texas Council of Government (NCTCOG) has been coordinating with DART, Dallas County, and the cities along the rail line to construct a hike and bike trail within the corridor. NCTCOG's goal is to coordinate funding for the trail among the various stakeholders so that as much of the trail as possible can be built by DART while the rail line is being constructed. Most of the funding for this is coming from federal funds, which require a 20% local match. Dallas County has agreed to cover half of the cost of Addison's local match. Additionally, Dallas County has agreed to completely fund certain portions of the trail not included in the Regional Transportation Council's funding approvals. This means that the entire part of the trail that is in Addison will be constructed as the rail line is built.

At its July 9 meeting, Council approved a resolution indicating Addison's commitment to provide the required local match for the hike and Bike Trail in Fiscal Year 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$307,469.

You can watch the Council's discussion on the funding for the hike and bike trail here .



Leadership Metrocrest Applications Now Available

Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce President Erin Carney gave a Leadership Metrocrest update to Council at its July 9 meeting. Leadership Metrocrest is a program of the Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce designed to increase the community knowledge and leadership skills of individuals seeking civic leadership positions in the community.

Ms. Carney shared that a task force had been created to review and update the program's selection criteria, application content, and candidate selection process. Classes are limited to 20 participants and, as a general rule, no more than four representatives from any one organization, employer, or municipal partner can be selected in a class. However, the selection committee may make exceptions to this rule.

Over the past five years, Addison has had between 3 - 4 class participants and residents have been nominated by Council Members to apply. This year, Council encourages anyone who is interested in participating in the program to apply. Those who are selected for the class can then seek scholarship support from the Town. The program fee is \$1,000 and Addison provides scholarships for Addison residents and volunteers based on the following:

Council Member or P&Z Member: 100% Citizen Academy Graduate: 80% Volunteer for Arbor Foundation, Addison Addvocates, Water Tower Theatre: 70% Addison Residency greater than 5 years: 50% Addison Residency 4 years or less: 25%

<u>Applications</u> are being accepted through July 31. A full <u>program description can be found</u> <u>here</u> and the <u>calendar of Leadership Class XXXI classes is available here</u>.

You can <u>watch the Council's Leadership Metrocrest discussion here</u> and <u>review the</u> <u>presentation here</u>.

## Spruill Dog Park Naming and Recognition Policy Amended

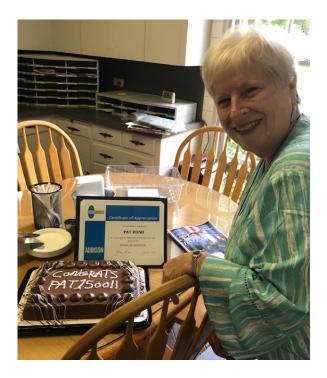
At its July 9 meeting, Council approved an amendment to the Spruill Dog Park Naming and Recognition Policy that consisted of the following changes:

- The following text related to the naming elements has been struck. "The Spruill Dog Park may be renamed after individuals or a business who donate(s) a minimum of \$250,000 in a single gift to Spruill Dog Park".
- The Naming Nomenclature has been limited to only include the following types of recognition: Dog Name, Individual or Family Name, or Business Name.
- No names shall include profanity or offensive language.

You can <u>watch the Council's Spruill Dog Park Naming and Recognition Policy discussion</u> <u>here</u>.



## Volunteer Pat Bond Recognized for Over 1,500 Volunteer Hours



Last week, Addison recognized volunteer Pat Bond who now has over 1,500 volunteer hours with the Town! Pat started in early 2009 and has helped in many departments, including Development Services, Special Events, and at Town Hall. She says she enjoys

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every minute of her volunteer time with Addison and we feel the same way about her. Thank you for your time and dedication with the Town, Pat!

### Addison After Dark: Luau on the Lawn



Aloha! Meet us on the Addison Circle Park Lawn on Saturday, July 20 from 7pm - 11pm for a night of Luau on the Lawn! Show us your best hula, compete in limbo and hula hoop contests, or just sit back with a cold beverage and enjoy the soothing sounds of island music by The Bamboo Boat Band and a fire show by the Grace Hula Dance Company. You can also pack a picnic or grab a bite to eat from our variety of food trucks, such as Cousins Maine Lobster, Kauai Soul Food Fusion, and Snowie Naturals DFW. For more information, visit <u>www.AddisonAfterDark.com</u>.



#### Dallas Baptist University Students Visit Town Hall

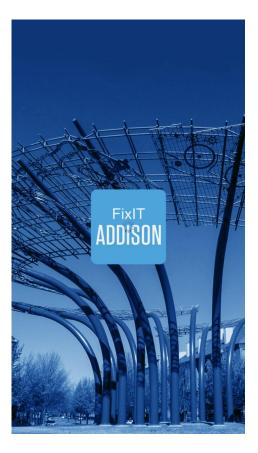
On Tuesday, July 9, over 40 students from the Dallas Baptist University Explore program visited Town Hall to learn more about Addison and hear Mayor Joe Chow's testimony about his leadership as Addison's Mayor. City Manager Wes Pierson also gave a warm welcome as the students toured the building.

Get Your Tickets for WaterTower Theatre's Godspell



WaterTower Theatre's production of *Godspell* will run from Thursday, July 18 through Sunday, July 28 at the Addison Theatre Centre (15650 Addison Road). *Godspell* is about an offbeat group of disciples that helps Jesus bring his enduring parables to life through games, stories, and unforgettable songs. Boasting a score with chart-topping songs by Grammy and Academy Award-winner, Stephen Schwartz, and a book by visionary playwright, John Michael Tebelak, *Godspell* is a sensation that continues to touch audiences with its enduring messages of kindness, tolerance, and love. <u>Get your tickets</u> today!

## **Report Problems with the FixIT Addison App**



Notice a street light out, an illegally placed sign, or a stray dog? Did you know you can report it to the Town by using Addison's "FixIT Addison" app? The app is available for both iPhones and Androids and allows users to either take or upload a photo and mark an exact location on a map. You don't have to log in to use the app - just open it and submit a request!

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Thursday, July 18 - Sunday, July 28 WTT Presents: Godspell Addison Theatre Centre 15650 Addison Road <u>Get your tickets here.</u> Saturday, July 20

Addison After Dark's Luau on the Lawn 7pm Addison Circle Park 4970 Addison Circle For more information, visit AddisonAfterDark.com.

**Important Numbers and Websites** 

**Town Hall:** 972-450-7000

Non-emergency Police Dispatch: 972-450-7156

> Missed Trash: 972-392-9300, Option 2

> > Athletic Club: 972-450-7048

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