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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

September 27, 2019

Council Update

Council Discusses Census Count Committee and Approves Funding to Support Dallas County 2020 Census Participation Initiative

Senior Planner Olga Chernomorets gave Council a presentation at its September 24 work session on the 2020 Census. The United States Census Bureau conducts a nationwide population count every ten years as required by the U.S. Constitution and will attempt to contact every household in the country in the spring of 2020. Accurate census counts are important to Addison in the following ways:

- Population counts determine the distribution of federal representatives in Congress.
- The census count guides federal funding dispersal of \$675 billion to states and cities annually.
- Local governments use the census for public safety and emergency preparedness.
- Land developers use census data to build homes and revitalize communities.
- Business and industries use data to decide where to build or relocate, creating employment opportunities.
- Residents use the census to support community initiatives involving legislation, quality of life, and consumer advocacy.

An important component of insuring accurate census counts is through education and outreach motivating the population to participate. In an effort to promote participation, the U.S. Census Bureau encourages the creation of local Complete Count Committees. A Complete Count Committee would be comprised of a broad spectrum of members with the

goal of maximizing participation in the Census. Complete Count Committees encourage resident participation in the Census through the utilization of local knowledge, influence, and resources to educate and promote the Census through local-based outreach efforts. If you are interested in being considered for the Addison Complete Count Committee, you can [apply here](#) through October 4.

Additionally during its regular September 24 meeting, Council approved an interlocal agreement for \$5,000 with Dallas County for the Regional Census Fund. Dallas County has asked local municipalities to partner with them to seek a qualified vendor to coordinate the 2020 Census Participation Initiative in an effort to increase census response rates across the county. The selected vendor will coordinate efforts and activities with the Addison Complete Count Committee.

You can [watch the Council's 2020 Census discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

Council Discusses Rules for Public Comments During Open Meetings

House Bill 2840, which became law on September 1, 2019, created a right for members of the public to address the City Council at an open meeting of the Council before or during Council action on an item. At Council's September 24 work session, staff briefed the Council on the law and discussed the Town's rules regarding public comments at open meetings. Currently, there is time dedicated to public comments at the beginning of each regular Council meeting, however, comments are limited to items not on the agenda unless the item is posted as a public hearing. This bill allows the community to comment on any item, even those posted on the agenda, during the dedicated public comment time.

You can [watch Council's public comments discussion here](#).

Council Amends Fiscal Year 2019 Budget

Each year, the Finance staff reviews the budget to determine which items should be recognized with formal budget amendments. When budget variances occur that are outside the authority of the City Manager, these adjustments are presented to the Council in the form of a budget amendment. Council approved three amendments to the Fiscal Year 2019 budget at its September 24 meeting.

Major items included:

General Fund

- The first amendment moved funding from the General Fund fund balance into the Parks Department budget to cover the costs of the June 2019 storm cleanup in the amount of \$235,000.
- The second amendment added funding to the Finance Department for payment to the Town's sales tax audit firm for audit collections. This payment in the amount of \$305,000 can be funded from the increase in sales tax collections with no impact to the General Fund balance.

Hotel Fund

- An amendment was needed for the Addison Theatre Centre in the Hotel Fund. Insurance proceeds in the amount of \$12,880 have been received for an accident that resulted in equipment damage. This amendment added funding to cover the costs of replacing the damaged equipment.

You can [watch the Council's budget amendment discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

2019-20 Board and Commission Applications Now Available

If you are interested in applying for a position on the Planning and Zoning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustment, Census Complete Count Committee, and/or Charter Review Commission, please [fill out this application](#) . You can [find more information on each body here](#) . Applications will be accepted until Friday, October 4. The Council will begin to discuss appointments at the October 29 meeting. Please direct any questions to City Secretary Irma Parker at 972-450-7017 or iparker@addisontx.gov .

Public Safety

Addison Police Department to Host Community Meetings

The Addison Police Department is planning several neighborhood-focused community meetings to foster communication between the Addison Police Department (APD) and the community. Come learn about APD's continuing efforts to keep Addison safe and hear crime prevention tips that you can use at home. Community safety is a partnership so we invite you to join us for these important opportunities to discover how we can work together to keep Addison safe.

Winnwood/Oaks North Neighborhoods

Monday, September 30 at 6:30pm
Addison Conference Centre
15650 Addison Road

Midway Meadows/Les Lacs/ Vitruvian Neighborhoods

Monday, October 7 * at 6:30pm
Addison Treehouse
14681 Midway Road
**Rescheduled from October 1 due to a Council Meeting conflict.*

Addison Circle Meeting to be announced

Even though some of the information presented at these meetings is specific to a neighborhood, they are all open to the public. The presentations will include:

1. Crime-related statistics for each neighborhood relative to the overall activity for the Town
2. License plate reader pilot project update
3. Crime prevention tips
4. Question and Answers

Mark Your Calendars for Saturday, October 5!



PUBLIC SAFETY OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, October 5, 2019
11am - 2pm



Come meet Addison's finest Fire and Police personnel!
Enjoy popcorn, cotton candy, glitter tattoos, a bounce house,
demonstrations, tours, and more!
Fire Station One & Police Headquarters

Business Pulse

Governor's Small Business Forum Takes Place in Addison



On Thursday morning, September 26, more than 150 people gathered at the Crowne Plaza Dallas Galleria for the Governor's Small Business Forum. This event provided small business owners and aspiring entrepreneurs with private and public small business resources on how to start, operate, grow, and sustain their businesses. It was also an opportunity to network with other entrepreneurs, business owners, managers, and business-oriented non-profits, as well as local, regional, state and federal agencies.

Around Town

Another Great Year of Addison Oktoberfest!





More than 43,000 people joined us at Addison Oktoberfest this weekend, September 19 - 22. The original North Texas Oktoberfest celebration and one of the most authentic in the country, Addison Oktoberfest has been bringing German music, food, and bier to the region for over 32 years. D anke Schön to everyone who joined us for a weekend that was filled with chicken dancing, carnival rides, contests, Paulaner bier, and great memories. We hope to see you next year!

Unified Development Code Community Meeting



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 a draft of Part 1 of 3 of the new Unified Development Code (UDC), which includes zoning districts, use regulations, and definitions sections, and would like the community's input.

You can review [Clarion's draft 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:

UDC Public Input Meeting
Monday, September 30
Addison Treehouse
6pm - 8pm

Community Garage Sale October 5



The bi-annual Community Garage Sale will take place at a new location this year in Addison Circle Park (Carnival Field at Festival Way and Quorum Drive - [view map here](#)) on Saturday, October 5 from 8am - 2pm. Document shredding and e-recycling will also be available onsite during the event. [Vendor applications are available here](#) as long as space is available.

Fall 2019 Town Meeting



Save the date for Monday, October 14 for our next Town meeting at the Addison Conference Centre (15650 Addison Road) at 7pm.



Monday, September 30
Unified Development Code
Community Meeting

Tuesday, October 1
Joint Meeting with
City Council and P&Z

6pm
Addison TreeHouse
14681 Midway Road

APD Community Meeting
6:30pm
Addison Conference Centre
15650 Addison Road

6pm
Addison TreeHouse
14681 Midway Road
[Agenda will be posted here three days prior to the meeting.](#)

Wednesday, October 2
Coffee with the Mayor
10am
Dunn Brothers Coffee
3725 Belt Line Road

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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