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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

December 4, 2020

Council Update

COVID-19 Update



Business Capacity to Roll Back Due to Increase in COVID Hospitalizations

Dallas County reported last night that Trauma Service Area E (TSAE), which includes Dallas County and the greater Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, had reached seven consecutive days where the percentage of COVID-19 confirmed patients in regional hospitals, as a percentage of available hospital beds, exceeded 15 percent. According to GOVERNOR GA-32, this makes TSA E an area with high hospitalizations and certain occupancy reductions are automatically triggered by reaching this threshold.

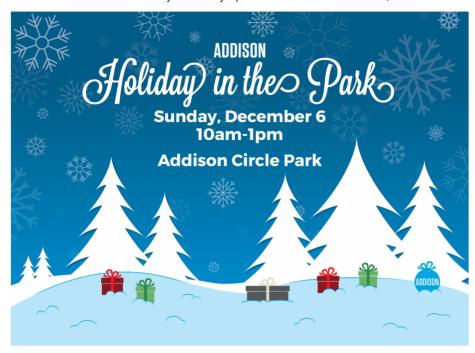
Businesses whose occupancy rates were increased to 75% in October through GA-32 are immediately reduced back to 50%. This includes all restaurants, retail stores, office buildings, manufacturing facilities, gyms and exercise facilities and classes, museums, and libraries in Dallas County and the other counties comprising TSA E. A full list of affected businesses can be located at https://open.texas.gov/. These capacity reductions do not affect businesses listed under the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) guidance or covered by other exemptions contained in GA-32.

TSA E will remain under these restrictions until there are seven consecutive days where the percentage of COVID-19 confirmed patients in regional hospitals as a percentage of available hospital beds is at 15 percent or less. The Texas Department of State Health Services provides additional information on GA-32 and a list of all affected counties at https://www.dshs.texas.gov/ga32/.

On December 3, Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS) reported 2,122 additional positive cases of COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 130,830 confirmed cases, including 1,224 confirmed deaths. To date, Addison has a total of 590 confirmed COVID-19 cases and no deaths according to DCHHS. DCHHS releases new numbers every Tuesday and Friday and reports can be found on their website here.

Around Addison

See you on Sunday for the Resident Holiday Event



The Addison City Council invites residents and their family to Holiday in the Park, an outdoor celebration of the season, on Sunday, December 6 from 10am - 1pm in Addison Circle Park. Enjoy live performances of traditional holiday music by costumed carolers and Motown covers of holiday tunes originally sung by artists such as The Temptations, The Jackson Five, and Stevie Wonder. Open lawn seating will be available in socially distanced circles - attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair and/or blanket.

The deadline to RSVP for the meal and commemorative ornament has passed, but you can still come enjoy the event. Outside food and beverage are permitted, but there will be no food or beverages available for purchase.

Oncor Tower Replacement Update

Town staff met with Oncor this week to discuss changes to the schedule for the Oncor Tower Replacement project along Redding Trail. Below is the updated schedule:

November 30 – January 30: Line Construction

- A reduced portion of the Redding Trail Dog Park will open for use.
- Closure signs will be placed to minimize pedestrian traffic for construction.
- The trail will be closed to the public.

December 25 – Christmas Holiday: Crew will not be in the area during the Christmas holiday.

Beginning the week of February 1 – February 27: Clean-up and Restoration

- Oncor will clean-up and repair damage to the landscape and irrigation.
- Addison Parks crews will install the pedestrian light poles and replacement vegetation.

Thank you for your patience during this project.

Dog Run Next to Loos Field Temporarily Closed

The dog run located next to Loos Field is temporarily closed. DISD is in the process of replacing the fence along their property line and they have informed the Town that this project will take three to four weeks to complete. The Parks Department is working with DISD to ensure that the new decorative fence they plan to install will also be secure enough to keep dogs from slipping through it. Thank you for your patience as we work with our partners to make improvements in our community.

WaterTower Theatre Presents Ella's Swinging Christmas: A Tribute to Ella Fitzgerald



A one-woman show, streaming on-demand through January 3, 2021, WaterTower Theatre's (WTT) production of *Ella's Swinging Christmas: A Tribute to Ella Fitzgerald* is a musical treat for all ages. Dallas singer and actress phenomenon, Feleceia Wilson (formerly Feleceia Benton) introduces the WTT audience to a uniquely reimagined experience of jazz vocalist and scat virtuoso Ella Fitzgerald's incredible "Swinging Christmas" album, just in time for the holidays. Ella Fitzgerald recorded the epic holiday 18-tracks, with a studio orchestra arranged and conducted by Frank DeVol. It is her only complete album of Christmas tunes on Verve Records.

Patrons will be able to enjoy *Ella's Swinging Christmas* from the comfort and safety of their own homes. All season ticket holders will receive their digital tickets as part of their 25th season ticket subscription. Single tickets are on sale now. Purchase all tickets on WaterTowerTheater.org.

Welcome the Holiday Spirit at Vitruvian Lights



The most dazzling and spectacular time of the year is here! Vitruvian Park has transformed into a magical holiday wonderland with the arrival of Vitruvian Lights. This year, Vitruvian Park has made the difficult decision not to host special events in conjunction with Vitruvian Lights. However, visitors are encouraged to walk through the park in a socially distanced manner or drive through to enjoy the beauty of more than 550 trees wrapped in 1.5 million sparkling LED lights.

The tree lights will be on daily from 5pm-1am until January 3. Parking is available onsite at Vitruvian Park; Bella Lane, Park Road, and Ponte Avenue Parking Lots. Visit the <u>Town of Addison</u> or the <u>Vitruvian Park</u> websites and social media channels for related updates.

Addison Wants Your Input on Trails Master Plan



If you were not able to attend the recent Trails Master Plan pop-up events, we still want your input! There is also an <u>on-line survey</u> that will be available until December 10.

How to Stay Informed

Addison shares information with the community in a number of different ways. Here are some ways you can stay updated on the latest news:

Website:

- <u>www.addisontexas.net</u>: Find alerts and updates on the homepage and department specific updates on department pages
- www.addistontexas.net/covid19: Find specific COVID-19 updates and resources

Social Media:

- Addison Facebook
- Visit Addison Facebook
- Addison Twitter
- Visit Addison Twitter
- NextDoor

Addison Newsletters: For a description of and to subscribe to all of Addison's newsletters, click <u>here.</u>

If you have specific questions, please contact Addison's Marketing Department at marketing@addisontx.gov.





The Town of Addison is taking action to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We would like to encourage everyone to join us. The CDC has encouraged the community to practice social distancing, but also to follow these steps to minimize the spread of any disease:

- Stay home when you are sick.
- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and help young children do the same. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash. If you do not have a tissue, use your sleeve (not your hands).

Below are some symptoms to be aware of:



If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact Dallas County directly at 972-692-2780 (Hours: 9am - 3:30pm, Monday - Friday).

For additional resources, visit the **Town's website here**.

Important Numbers and Websites

Town Hall:

972-450-7000

Non-emergency Police Dispatch:

972-450-7156

Missed Trash:

972-392-9300, Option 2

Request Bulk Trash Pickup

Athletic Club: 972-450-7048

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