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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

March 13, 2020

Council Update

Council Extends Short Term Rental Regulations

In March 2019, the City Council adopted regulations that require that Short Term Rental (STR) properties be registered with the Town and that the owner and occupants agree to abide by certain requirements to minimize their impact on the adjacent neighbors. The ordinance included a sunset provision after one year, requiring the City Council to review and adjust or extend the requirements by April 30, 2020.

At its March 10 meeting, the City Council approved an amendment to the original ordinance to increase the registration fee to \$115, remove utility bills as proof of primary residence, and extend the Sunset Review provision until April 30, 2021.

You can view the Council discussion from the February 13 Council Work Session [here](#) . Residents can find more information and the short term rental application on the Town's website [here](#) .

New Office Building Planned for Village on the Parkway



At its March 10 meeting, Council amended the Planned Development Ordinance for Village on the Parkway that allows for a two-story office building to be built at the former TGI Friday's location. Approximately half of the 31,000 square foot office building will be ground floor retail/restaurant and the second floor will offer office space. The plan also includes an additional 1,825 square feet of potential outdoor patio area. As part of office building development, the property owner has agreed to provide an enhanced bus stop with a shelter and space for public art on Montfort Drive.

In addition to allowing for the new office building, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended adding an enhanced valet parking plan to the Planned Development Ordinance. The revised valet parking plan increases the number of stands from five to seven and requires a "Park and Stroll" feature that would allow guests to drop off their car at one location and pick it up at another. It also requires the valet provider to use technology that permits guests to request their car before arriving at the valet stand. This technology is currently in use in other areas of North Texas. Visitors can expect to see enhanced signage promoting the changes in the coming weeks.

You can [watch the Council's Village on the Parkway discussion here](#) .

Cinnaholic Coming to Village on the Parkway

At its March 10 meeting, the City Council approved a special use permit for Cinnaholic. The new 1,100 square foot restaurant which will offer create-your-own 100% vegan cinnamon rolls and other sweet treats made from scratch like cookies, brownies, and edible cookie dough, will be located at Village on the Parkway in the former LuXX Lash salon. Cinnaholic has 3 other locations in the DFW metroplex, and 35 other locations across the country. Welcome to Addison!

Council Approves New Fees for Environmental Health-Related Functions

During the Fiscal Year 2020 budget process, Town staff conducted a review of the fees charged by our comparator cities and found that the environmental-related fees currently charged by the Town are much lower. To establish new fee amounts, staff looked to the average of our comparator cities as well as considered a fee structure that maintains some consideration for the size of the establishment as well as its categorization.

These new fee amounts which were approved by the City Council at its March 10 meeting, are anticipated to bring approximately \$56,925 in new revenue to the Town. These new fees go into effect on May 1, 2020 and will be used to partially fund a new Senior Environmental Health Specialist to assist with the Town's environmental health related functions.

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

Public Safety

Town of Addison and Dallas County Declare Public Health Emergency Beginning March 13

Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins declared a local public health emergency in Dallas County for seven days beginning on Friday, March 13 at 11am and ending on March 20 at 11am (unless otherwise extended) prescribed by state law.

This decision was made because at least one of the presumptive positive coronavirus cases in Dallas County is believed to be the result of "community spread." Most initial cases are linked to someone who has traveled to an area where the virus has infected people, or it is known that a person has been in contact with someone that has traveled from an area of infection. Community spread cases are cases of infection that have no known link to people that have been in an area with infected people.

In response to Judge Jenkins' declaration, Addison Mayor Joe Chow declared a [local disaster for public health emergency](#) . Even though there are no confirmed cases in Addison, the Town is deeply concerned about the global spreading of the illness and is desirous to be good community partners to do what we can to help prevent and control COVID-19. In addition to the emergency declaration, the Town and County have issued an order regulating community gatherings.

In summary, the order:

- Prohibits community gatherings of 500 persons or more anywhere in Dallas County;
- Strongly recommends that people not attend events with more than 250 persons and that those events either be canceled or rescheduled; and
- Strongly urges high-risk individuals, as defined by the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) cancel, reschedule, or not attend events that will likely have 10 or more people.

The order provides definitions and exceptions to help people understand the proper application of the order. You can [view the full order here](#) .

In response to the order, the Town is taking the follow actions:

- **Athletic Club:** The Athletic Club will be closed from Saturday, March 14 – Saturday, March 28. All Athletic Club camps and classes will be canceled. As of now, we anticipate that the Club will reopen on Sunday, March 29 (subject to change).
- **Outdoor exercise programs:** Third-party outside exercise programs will be held at the discretion of the vendor. Please contact them directly.
- **Addison Conference and Theatre Centre (ACTC):** ACTC will be closed from Saturday, March 14 - Saturday, March 28. Please contact ACTC staff to reschedule programs.
- **Special Events:** We will continue to monitor the situation, but no changes have been made at this point.

You will continue to see Parks and Public Works crews out in the community maintaining the Town's assets.

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:

CORONAVIRUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FEVER ● COUGH ● SHORTNESS OF BREATH ● SYMPTOMS APPEAR 2-14 DAYS AFTER EXPOSURE
FLU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FEVER ● COUGH ● SORE THROAT ● HEADACHES ● FATIGUE (TIREDNESS) ● MUSCLE OR BODY ACHES ● RUNNY OR STUFFY NOSE
ALLERGIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SNEEZING ● ITCHY, RUNNY OR BLOCKED NOSE ● ITCHY, RED, WATERING EYES

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](#) .

Public Safety

Allison Johnston Receives First Responder of the Year Award



On Friday, February 28, Dallas Medical Center honored Addison Firefighter/Paramedic Allison Johnston with the First Responder of the Year award at the Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce Annual Award Luncheon. Allison was recognized for all her efforts throughout the year. Congratulations, Allison!

Around Town

The Census is Coming!



The Census is an official count or survey of every person living in the United States. This data determines the federal funding and local planning decisions, including where to provide additional social services, build new roads, schools, and where to locate job-training centers. For every person that is undercounted during the 2020 Census, each city in Dallas County could potentially lose more than \$15,000 in federal funding *per person* during a 10-year timeframe.

By working together, we can ensure that our region receives the resources we need from the federal government for our schools, hospitals, roads, and a host of other social services.

U.S. Census Bureau invitations to respond to the 2020 Census questionnaire will be delivered between March 12 - 20. Once you receive the invitation, you can respond by mail, telephone, or online at my2020census.gov.

Completing the Census is easy, safe, and important. We strongly encourage you to join us and respond to the census. For additional information, you can visit our website at www.AddisonTexas.net.

Stirr Officially Open at Village on the Parkway





On Wednesday, March 11, Stirr held a VIP preview event to celebrate its opening at the Village on the Parkway at 5100 Belt Line Road. The restaurant, owned by Milkshake Concepts, chose Addison because of the great central location and the vibrant atmosphere. Mayor Pro Tempore Tom Braun and Council Members Ivan Hughes, Paul Walden, Guillermo Quintanilla, and Marlin Willesen were in attendance to help celebrate the opening of Addison's newest restaurant. Stirr is now open for business!

Sign up for Addison's Next Citizens Academy



The application process is now open for Citizens Academy 2020! The Citizens Academy is a three-day instructional program designed to provide residents of Addison with a strong working knowledge of municipal operations for the Town. The program consists of three Saturday sessions covering a variety of civic and local government topics, including City Council Roles and Responsibilities, Finance, Economic Development & Tourism, Development, and Public Safety. This year's academy will be held on the following dates:

- Friday, June 5: Kick-Off Dinner (6:30pm-8pm)
- Saturday, June 6: Session I (8am-5pm)
- Saturday, June 13: Session II (8am-5pm)

- Saturday, June 20: Session III (8am-5pm)
- Tuesday, June 23: Graduation (6pm-8pm)

For more information and to download the application, [click here.](#)



Tuesday, March 24
City Council Meeting
 7:30pm
 Addison Town Hall
 5300 Belt Line Road

[Agendas will be 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 2

Athletic Club:
 972-450-7048

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