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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

April 24, 2020

Council Update

Town of Addison COVID-19 Update



Dallas County issued a [revised Stay-at-Home order](#) on April 23 that extends the original order until May 15 and aligns language for [elective surgeries](#) , "reopened services," and religious and worship services with [Governor Abbott's recent orders](#) . Governor Abbott is expected to announce additional phased openings on Monday, April 27.

Retail-to-go for non-essential retailers began today, April 24. Customers are not allowed in stores and should make payments over the phone or online. Purchased items should be delivered to the customer's trunk or backseat to minimize contact. [Get more details about what is expected from customers and employees here.](#)

For more COVID-19 information and updates, please visit [AddisonTexas.net/covid19](#) .

LPA Presents Findings of the Facility Utilization Study

In July of 2019, LPA Dallas was engaged to help the Town conduct a facility usage study. The start of a process to review Addison's existing facilities with an eye towards the future, this study looked at eight facilities that could be considered for modifications. The process involved extensive interviews with staff on how they currently use the facilities, what departments they interact with, and what they see as future needs for their departments. Additionally, LPA conducted an in-depth review of the selected facilities to create and scale floor plans.

LPA collected and analyzed the data and was asked to broadly develop some concepts to present for discussion. The goal is to begin a data-driven discussion to find a solution that will provide improved functionality for staff and the public, accommodate future growth, and address the facility deficiencies that currently exist with buildings in excess of 30 years old. While there are currently no plans to build new facilities unless an exceptional opportunity related to future new development opportunities presented itself , this process begins to lay the groundwork needed for future decisions.

At the April 14 Council Meeting, LPA presented the findings of the study including three concepts for the Council to consider: Renovate in Place, Strategic Additions, and New Construction. While the Council agreed the project was important, given the current situation, it is not urgent. They directed staff to begin a financial and economic assessment of the facilities to make a more informed determination about next steps.

You can [watch Council's facility utilization discussion here](#) , [review the presentation here](#) , and [read the report here](#) .

April 28 City Council Meeting To Be Virtual

The Addison City Council will hold its April 28 Council Meeting by video conferencing. The meeting, which will begin at 6:30pm, will still be live streamed on the Town's website and its PEG channels (channel 99 for AT&T subscribers, channel 16 for Spectrum subscribers). The meeting agenda can be found [here](#) .

The city was able to forego the requirement that public meetings be held in a physical space because of a recent order from Governor Greg Abbott that suspended a portion of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Opportunities for public comment will still take place at the beginning of meeting. Members of the public who would like to participate remotely can:

- Call this toll-free dial-in number: 877-853-5247;
- Enter Meeting ID: 409 327 0683#, and
- Select # when prompted to enter a participant ID.

Once in the meeting, visitors will be recognized by Council during the public comment time. Please remember that normal rules for public comment apply so please state your name and address before beginning your comments. You will be allowed three minutes to speak and Council isn't permitted to respond during this time.

You can also email comments to the City Secretary at iparker@addisontx.gov by 3pm on the day of the meeting.

Please note that if you are viewing a meeting via a live streaming process, there will be a delay in the video since video takes time to transmit over the Internet to your device.

Business Pulse


COVID-19 Business Resources

Addison understands that many local businesses are being affected by the current COVID-19 pandemic. The Addison Economic Development and Tourism Department has put together web pages that list important Federal, State, and other resources, as well as temporary employment opportunities that can help our business community through this difficult time. These pages are updated regularly with new information:

- [Business Resources](#)
- [Hospitality-Specific Resources](#)

For small businesses who may be interested in Facebook advertising, we have created a [step-by-step video](#) that can help you get started.


Let's Play Addison Restaurant Bingo




#AddisonEats Bingo

Let's play Addison Restaurant Bingo!

- 1 Download this Bingo card
- 2 When you fill a spot, post a photo on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter and tag Visit Addison (or save your receipts!). Each photo can only fill ONE square.

BREAKFAST	GIFT CARD	ASIAN	WINE	BURGER
BRUNCH	SANDWICH	DESSERT	SEAFOOD	BEER
CAJUN	MEAL KIT	YOUR CHOICE! 	BAKERY	CHICKEN
COCKTAIL	VEGETARIAN	COFFEE	ITALIAN	FAMILY PACK
SALAD	PIZZA	DELIVERY	TEX-MEX	STEAK

 *If you get BINGO, you win 2 tickets to Addison Oktoberfest. From all completed cards, we will select one grand prize winner to win an Addison Staycation!*

We invite everyone to join us to play [Addison Restaurant Bingo](#) ! If you're an Addison restaurant foodie, you may have a head start!

When you fill a spot, post a photo on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter and tag @Visit Addison or save your receipts (Note: Each photo can only fill ONE square). If you get BINGO, you win 2 tickets to Addison Oktoberfest and from all completed cards, we will select one grand prize winner to win an Addison Staycation on May 31!

Around Addison

Celebrating National Volunteer Week

National Volunteer Week





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The week of April 19 through April 25, 2020 is recognized as National Volunteer Week. In 2019, Addison had more than 200 volunteers dedicate 2,824 hours to the community, serving at special events, working in Town offices, and patrolling the streets. Thank you to all our volunteers for sharing your time and your talents with Addison. Also, a big thank you to our Volunteer Coordinator Stacy Love who helps bring the community together.

Addison Seniors Embrace Technology to Stay Connected



The Addison Athletic Club staff has been staying connected with seniors in the community through Zoom Coffee Hours, Family Feud sessions, and Senior Talks. Want to join in? You can get all the details on the [Athletic Club's Facebook page](#). If you have any questions or need help, please contact Deena Israel at disrael@addisontx.gov.

Addison Employees are Here for You



Addison Cares



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Even though Town offices are currently closed to the public, Addison staff is still working hard to support the Addison community. Whether you need to pay your utility bill, get a permit, or schedule an inspection, Addison employees can be reached online and on the phone. [Get department contact information here](#) .

Metrocrest Services Serving Record Number of Clients



URGENT PANTRY NEEDS IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

**PERISHABLE ITEMS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AT THIS TIME.
(ANYTHING THAT REQUIRES REFRIGERATION)**

- **CANNED FRUIT**
- **CANNED VEGETABLES**
- **CANNED CHICKEN**
- **CANNED TUNA**
- **CANNED SPAGHETTI SAUCE**
- **PASTA**
- **DRIED BEANS**
- **RICE**
- **CEREAL**
- **RAMEN NOODLES**
- **CLOROX WIPES**



\$1 = 3 MEALS

**MAKE A MONETARY DONATION AT:
METROCRESTSERVICES.ORG/IDONATE.PHP**

QUESTIONS? CALL (972) 446-2100
THANK YOU

Updated 4/14/2020

The week of April 13 - 18, the Metrocrest Services food pantry served 758 families distributing 38,161 meals. On Tuesday, the food pantry provided a record number of families with meals. Last week, their transportation staff delivered groceries to 72 seniors.

Please consider donating items on their wish list to help replenish their supplies. Donations can be delivered to the Metrocrest Services pantry at 13801 Hutton Drive in Farmers Branch.

Also, the Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce has partnered with Big Game USA and Moda Fabrics United Notions on a "Better Together Metrocrest" T-shirt and mask. All proceeds go directly to benefit Metrocrest Services. T-shirts are \$30 and masks are \$5 and can be purchased [here](#).

Monetary donations can also be made at www.metrocrestservices.org/idonate.php.

How the Addison Community Can Give Back



During a time of crisis in our community, many organizations are stepping up to help those who are impacted the most. The Town has created a list of some of those organizations on [its website](#). Together we are stronger.

If you are a resident in need of assistance, we have a list of companies who are hiring temporary workers and non-profits providing support [on the website](#).

Current Addison Census Response Rate Still Below 50%



While you are practicing social distancing at home, please take a few minutes to fill out your Census. Once you receive your invitation, you can respond by mail, telephone, or online at my2020census.gov. Addison's current [response rate is 46.8%](#), which is slightly below the Texas average rate of 47%, and lower than our neighboring cities.

Now more than ever, it is important that every person participates. The count is used to allocate important federal funding and congressional representation. For additional information, you can visit our website at www.AddisonTexas.net.

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:

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

Social Media:

- [Addison Facebook](#)
- [Visit Addison Facebook](#)
- [Addison Twitter](#)
- [Visit Addison Twitter](#)
- [NextDoor](#)

Addison Weekly Digital Newsletter: Emails are sent weekly, or more frequently as needed.

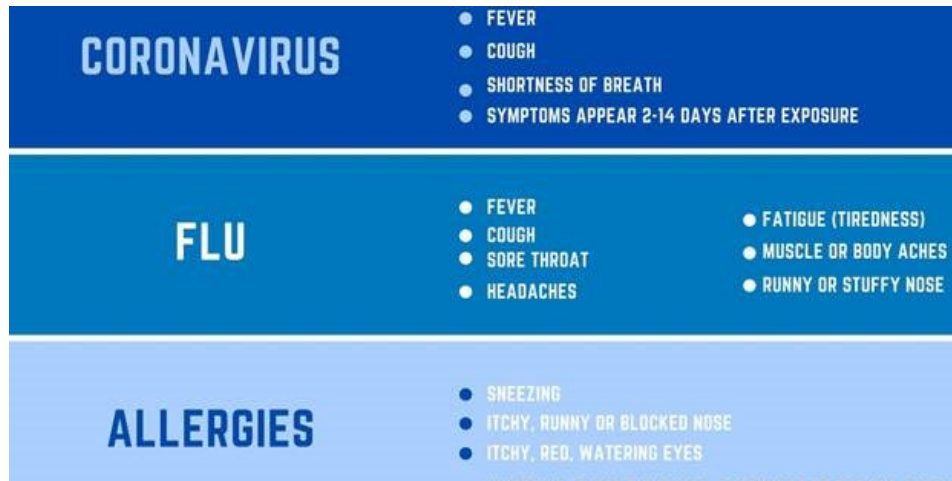
If you have specific questions, please contact Addison's Marketing Department at marketing@addisontx.gov.

Follow CDC Social Distancing Guidelines

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

Athletic Club:
972-450-7048

[Addison Website](#)

Sign up for [Addison Alerts](#)

[Volunteer](#)

[List of Restaurants](#)

[Addison News](#)

[Community Crime Map](#)

[Watch City Council Meetings](#)

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[Register your Security Alarm](#)

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