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## **A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!**

**May 1, 2020**

### **Council Update**

**Town of Addison COVID-19 Update**



May 1 marks the beginning of Gov. Abbott's phased plan to reopen Texas. Restaurants, retailers, malls, and other business may open with a reduced 25% capacity. Tables in restaurants must remain six feet apart to abide by social distancing guidelines and no more than six people are permitted at a table.

In accordance with [Gov. Abbott's April 27 Executive Order](#) , Addison Town facilities will remain closed through May 15. Town facilities will remain staffed, but closed to public traffic so the community should [contact facilities/departments](#) directly to conduct business virtually . The Addison Athletic Club and dog parks, as well as volleyball and recreational courts (including tennis courts) will also remain closed. The trails will remain open, but everyone is strongly encouraged to practice social distancing while using them.

The Governor's new order continues to require every person in Texas, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services or reopened services, to minimize social gatherings, and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household. It also requires people to continue practicing social distancing, work from home if possible, and practice good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation.

People over the age of 65 are strongly encouraged to stay at home as much as possible; to maintain appropriate distance from any member of the household who has been out of the residence in the previous 14 days; and, if leaving the home, to implement social distancing and to practice good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation per CDC recommendations.

All individuals are encouraged to wear appropriate face coverings, but no jurisdiction can impose a civil or criminal penalty for failure to wear a face covering.

Find more information on Addison's COVID-19 efforts at [www.AddisonTexas.net/covid19](http://www.AddisonTexas.net/covid19) .

## COVID-19 RESPONSE PHASE I RE-OPENING

Pursuant to Executive Order GA-18, issued on Monday, April 27, 2020, by Governor Greg Abbott, and effective at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 1, 2020, the following businesses may re-open under Phase 1 with minimum standard health protocols. Detailed guidelines from the state are available online at [gov.texas.gov/opentexas](http://gov.texas.gov/opentexas).

### ALL ESTABLISHMENTS LIMITED TO 25% OF TOTAL PERMITTED OCCUPANCY (NOT INCLUDING EMPLOYEES)

#### RETAIL STORES

- All retail stores may open

#### RESTAURANTS

- Tables are at least six feet apart and no tables of more than six (6) people
- Train all employees on appropriate cleaning, disinfection, hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette.
- Do not leave condiments, silverware, flatware, or glassware on unoccupied tables
- Condiments upon request and in single use (non-reusable) portions, use disposable menus (for each patron)
- If a buffet is offered, restaurant employees serve food to customers
- Valet services are prohibited except for cars with placards or plates for disabled parking
- Consider having an employee manage and control access to restaurant, including opening doors for customers

#### MALLS

- All retail stores within the mall may open
- Food courts / children play areas / interactive displays remain closed

#### MOVIE THEATERS

- Encouraged to use remote ticketing to manage capacity limits
- Make hand sanitizer available to employees and customers
- Regularly clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces
- Keep at least two empty seats between parties in any row, except when two members of one household sit next to one another with two empty seats on each side
- Alternate rows to be left empty

#### MUSEUMS & LIBRARIES

- Public libraries may open at the discretion of each individual city
- Maintain at least six feet of separation from other individuals that are not from same household
- Interactive displays will remain closed

#### OUTDOOR SPORTS PARTICIPANTS

- No more than four (4) participants at one time - no contact sports
- Golf Courses - sanitize golf carts between uses - one individual per golf cart (unless from same household)
- Driving range - clean and disinfect balls between use
- Minimum separation of six feet for golfers

#### CHURCH / PLACES OF WORSHIP

- Keep at least six feet of separation between parties in any rows, except when two or more members of same household sit adjacent to one another with two empty seats on each side
- Alternate rows to be left empty

**No changes were made to how essential business operate.** Executive Order GA-18 does not apply to "essential" businesses that have been able to operate during the Stay-at-Home order. The State of Texas has established a list of 17 essential business classifications. To see the full list, visit [tdem.texas.gov](http://tdem.texas.gov).

#### EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL RETAILERS

Grocery stores - Warehouse stores - Hardware stores - Big Box stores selling essential household staples - Nurseries - Liquor stores - Businesses that sell essential office supplies needed to work from home - Auto Parts and repairs stores - Bicycle repair stores - RV Repair and Sales stores

#### EXAMPLES OF PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

Public or private gatherings regardless of size - Going to a bar - Going to a gym - Going to a barber shop / hair salon - Going to a nail salon - Most nursing home visits - Going to a massage establishment - Going to a public swimming pool - Going to a bowling alley / video arcade - Going to a tattoo and/or piercing studio



[addisontexas.net/covid19](http://addisontexas.net/covid19)



## Council Receives Midway Road Reconstruction Update

In 2012, Addison voters approved \$16 million in General Obligation bonds for the reconstruction of Midway Road from Spring Valley Road to Trinity Mills Road. In November 2018, the City Council directed the City Manager to proceed with the issuance of Certificates of Obligation in the amount of \$25 million to completely fund the project. The 2012 bond program did not include the replacement of the utilities under the roadway or the increase in scope to accommodate the new Master Transportation Plan elements that are included as part of the current plan.

Council gave notice of their intention to issue \$15 million in Certificates of Obligation in July 2019. Dallas County has recently awarded Addison a \$2.7 million grant dedicated to

building a trail that will connect to the trail adjacent to the Silver Line.

At the April 28 City Council Meeting, Director of Public Works and Engineering Shannon Hicks shared that his team investigated the possibility of using Archer Western Herzog (AWH), DART's contractor who is designing and building the Silver Line Rail Project, as the construction contractor for the reconstruction of Midway Road. The estimate submitted by AWH was not in line with Addison's Engineer's Opinion of Probable Cost (OPC) or DART's independent review. Addison staff initiated a validation process on the items with the largest disparities which were mobilization, paving, and paving removal. This internal review resulted in an increased estimated construction cost from Engineers OPC of \$26.6 million to \$28.5 million.

Staff recommended to Council that Addison bid the project later in 2020 after the businesses have returned to work using a competitive sealed bid process. Staff also discussed recommendations for managing the construction of the project. The three-year long project is currently anticipated to begin in early 2021.

You can [watch the Council's Midway Road discussion here](#) (*Item #3, begins at 23:29*) and [read the presentation here](#).

### Addison Adopts Updated Building Codes

Addison regulates the construction, alteration, occupancy, and maintenance of buildings through the adoption and enforcement of a series of codes. At its April 28 meeting, the Addison City Council adopted the 2018 ICC Codes and the 2017 National Electrical Code. Staff [presented an overview of the code update process](#) (*Item #3*) to the Council during a work session on February 25, 2020.

The Town currently operates under the 2012 International Code Council (ICC) Codes and the 2014 National Electrical Code. These codes regulate commercial and residential structures including elements pertaining to fire protection, plumbing, mechanical, and electrical building elements. New versions of these codes are released every three years to account for issues that arise between code cycles, new construction methods, and to clarify existing regulations.

This process is separate from the review and update of the Town's Unified Development Code that is currently taking place.

### Council Adopts Updated Athletic Club Master Plan

In October 2016, the City Council adopted an Athletic Club Master Plan that identified the following four priority areas for future improvements: HVAC (Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning) replacement and upgrades; lobby/core building improvements; gymnasium and track improvements; and locker room renovations.

During the Master Plan presentation, Council asked if family-changing suites was included in the master plan. The consultant confirmed that changing suites were included and indicated they were accounted for in the locker room floor plan of the report. Unfortunately, the floor plan does not include labels for the locker room elements and the description of the proposed locker room upgrades does not include changing suites.

Council adopted a slightly [revised Master Plan](#) at its April 28 meeting that clarifies that changing suites are included in the locker room renovations. Locker room renovations,

including changing suites, were included in the 2019 bond election that was approved by voters.

You can watch the [Council's discussion on the Addison Athletic Club Master Plan here](#) ( *Item #25, begins at 52:06*).

## Public Safety

**If You See Something, Say Something!**




Remember, the Addison Police Department is here for you! If you see something unusual in your neighborhood, please report it by calling 911.


## Business Pulse

**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 [@VisitAddison](#) 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

### Clean Up Work on Chemical Spill in the Creek Behind Town Hall Begins Today

On Thursday, April 30, Town staff noticed a discoloration of the water in the creek behind Town Hall. Staff determined that material being used for soil stabilization related to the construction project at Prestonwood Shopping Center permeated a storm drain and migrated into the creek. The construction company, Dallas-based Beck Group, has contracted with Cotton Remediation to manage the clean-up efforts.

The remediation company will be using an onsite, multi-stage filtration system to filter out the pollutants. The Cotton team will be using tanker trucks to siphon water from Winnwood Creek. This water will be mixed with clean water and re-introduce behind Town Hall to help with the filtration process. They will also be pressure washing rocks and other hard services as part of the clean-up efforts.

Work on the project began today and crews will be working from 8am – 7pm on Saturday and Sunday. We expect this process to be completed by the middle of next week, including water quality testing. Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has approved the plan and will inspect the work when completed.

Even though there is not a public health concern, we still ask that residents and their pets avoid the creek area until the cleanup effort has been concluded.

After further review of the situation, it appears that the soil stabilization material migrated into the creek through an undetectable fissure in the ground. The team at Beck has responded quickly and professionally and we appreciate their efforts to resolve the situation to Addison's high standards.

Thank you for your patience with this disruption.

### Trails Etiquette for Cyclists During COVID-19



*Click arrow to play video.*

Everyone is enjoying the trails, but please stay safe by keeping some these tips in mind.

- **Keep Right** - Stay to the right side of the trail as is safe, except when passing another user.
- **Pass on the Left** - Pass others, going in your direction, on their left. Faster traffic must yield to slower and oncoming traffic.
- **Give Audible Signal** - When passing a frequently used warning is... "PASSING ON YOUR LEFT." A clear warning signal may be given by voice, bell or horn.
- **Yield the Right of Way** – Yield the Right of Way to anyone slower than you. Cyclists yield to runners & walkers. Runners yield to walkers.
- **Be Predictable** - Travel in a consistent and predictable manner. Always look behind before changing position on the trail.
- **Don't Block the Trail** - When in a group, avoid using more than half the trail and provide plenty of space for social distancing while passing.
- **Dog Walkers** - Keep dogs under control.

- **Stop Means Stop** - Obey all stop signs along the trail, paying special attention at street crossings.

View the complete list of Addison trails [here](#) .

## North Texas Giving Day Tuesday is May 5

**NORTH TEXAS**  
GIVING TUESDAY | **NOW**

Powered by  COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION OF TEXAS 

With many non-profits seeing an increase in demand for critical services and cancellations of in-person fundraising opportunities, all charitable organizations, including North Texas nonprofit organizations are reeling from the devastating impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

As part of the global #GivingTuesdayNow campaign, Communities Foundation of Texas' North Texas Giving Day (NTGD), the Dallas Cowboys, and the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas have teamed up to support those who need help the most.

On Tuesday, May 5 from 6am to midnight, you can support local charities on [North Texas Giving Tuesday Now](#) . Early Giving is open now through May 4.

Metrocrest Services has a \$10,000 matching gift when you contribute on the [Metrocrest Services' NTGD Page](#) during #GivingTuesdayNow. This agency has seen a 436% increase in housing requests and a 373% increase in food pantry requests (and distributed more than 51,000 meals last week.

## 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](#) .

### Arbor Foundation Installs New Public Art Piece



On Thursday, April 30, the Addison Arbor Foundation installed a powder-coated steel and cable sculpture named Spectra in the public art easement on the southeast side of the AMLI development near Addison Circle. The 18-foot-tall sculpture was created by artist Scott Shubin and is funded by a donation from AMLI.

A public ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place later in the year.

### Addison Employees are Here for You

Addison Cares



*Click arrow to play video.*

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](#) .

### 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](https://my2020census.gov) . Addison's current [response rate is 49.4%](#) , which is slightly below the Texas average rate of 49.6%, 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](http://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](http://www.addisontexas.net): Find alerts and updates on the homepage and department specific updates on department pages
- [www.addisontexas.net/covid19](http://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](mailto: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:

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

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

[Volunteer](#)

[List of Restaurants](#)

[Addison News](#)

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

**Athletic Club:**  
972-450-7048

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channel 16 for Spectrum subscribers)**

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