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

**June 5, 2020**

**Council Update**

**COVID-19 Update**



Governor Greg Abbott announced on Wednesday, June 3 the [third phase](#) of the State of Texas' plan to safely open the economy while containing the spread of COVID-19. Under Phase III, effective immediately, all businesses in Texas will be able to operate at up to 50% capacity, with very limited exceptions. Businesses that previously have been able to operate at 100% capacity may continue to do so, and most outdoor areas are not subject to capacity limits. All businesses and customers should continue to follow minimum standard health protocols laid out by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS).

**Effective June 3:**

- All businesses currently operating at 25% capacity can expand their occupancy to 50% with certain exceptions.
- Bars and similar establishments may increase their capacity to 50% as long as patrons are seated.
- Amusement parks and carnivals in counties with less than 1,000 confirmed positive cases may open at 50% capacity.
- Restaurants may expand their maximum table size from 6 to 10 persons.

**Effective June 12:**

- Restaurants may expand their occupancy levels to 75%.
- Counties with 10 or less active COVID-19 cases may expand their occupancy limits to 75%. Counties that fit this category but have not previously filed an attestation with DSHS will need to do so.

**Effective June 19:**

- Amusement parks and carnivals in counties with more than 1,000 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 may open at 50% capacity.

**Additional Openings:**

Special provisions have been made for outdoor gatherings, such as Fourth of July celebrations.

**Further Protocols:**

All businesses should continue to follow the minimum standard health protocols from DSHS. For details and a full list of guidelines, openings, and relevant dates, visit <http://open.texas.gov>.

Reminders for those going out:

- Individuals are encouraged to wear appropriate face coverings.
- People should not be in groups greater than ten when possible.
- People over the age of 65 are encouraged to stay at home as much as possible.
- People are still asked to avoid nursing homes, state-supported living centers, assisted living facilities, or long-term care facilities.

According to [Dallas County](#), there have been 33 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Addison since March.

## Council Schedules Special Strategic Planning Meeting

A Special Strategic Planning Meeting will take place on Monday, June 15 at 6pm. You can [view the agenda here three days prior to the meeting](#).

## June 9 City Council Meeting To Be Virtual

The Addison City Council will hold its June 9 Council Meeting by video conferencing. The meeting, which will begin at 6pm, 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 [jparker@addisontx.gov](mailto:jparker@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

**RSVP for This Webinar!**

**Town of Addison  
+  
Shields Legal Group**

How to Stay in Business  
in the New Normal

**TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020  
12:00 TO 1:30P.M. ON ZOOM  
RSVP: WKERR@ADDISONTX.GOV**

**3 THINGS YOU  
NEED TO KNOW**

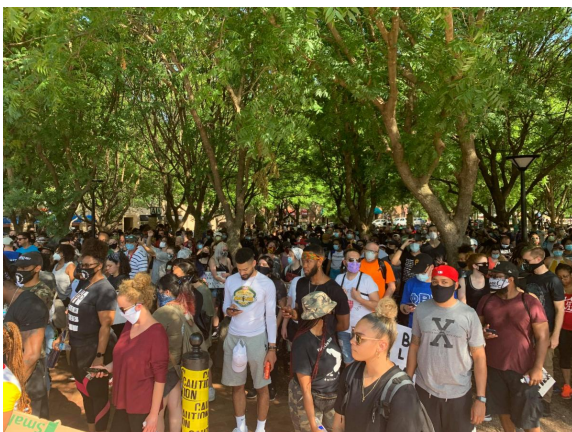
Join the North Texas Business Community as Jim Shields of Shields Legal Group shares timely information to help your business survive.

- Insurance Claims/Risk Management
- Negotiating with Creditors
- Post-Covid Planning

The Town of Addison Economic Development and Tourism Department have teamed up with Addison-based Shields Legal Group to present a free webinar on "How to Stay in Business in the New Normal," from 12pm-1:30pm on Tuesday, June 9. Please RSVP to Wilson Kerr at [wkerr@addisontx.gov](mailto:wkerr@addisontx.gov).

## Around Addison

### Peaceful Demonstration Held in Addison Circle Park





Approximately 500 people took part in a peaceful demonstration at Addison Circle Park on Thursday, June 4. The protesters marched from the park south on Addison Road and west on Arapaho Road. They made a U-turn at Surveyor Boulevard and returned to the park following the same route.

While this was not a Town-sanctioned event, protest organizers did coordinate with the Addison Police Department (APD) which allowed APD to take measures to ensure the safety of the Addison community. The Town of Addison supports citizens in their right to peacefully assemble and the outcome of this event demonstrates the ability of people to protest in a manner that respects the community around them.

Thank you to our partners in Farmers Branch, Carrollton, and Coppell for lending their support to ensure the safety of the protesters, the officers, and the community.

### Help Us Find the Missing Rabbit



A member of the beloved *Jacks of All Trades* public artwork at the southeast corner of Beltway Drive and Park Place was reported missing on June 3 and we need the community's help locating him. To help us narrow the window of time the rabbit was taken, please email [jtidwell@addisontx.gov](mailto:jtidwell@addisontx.gov) if you can remember the date/time you last saw it. Also, please contact 972-450-7156 if you recently saw any suspicious activity in this area or if you see anything in the future.

A resident of Addison since 2014, the rabbit lives with his family in the Les Lacs Linear Park area. Friends and family report that it is unlikely he hopped off on his own. Thanks for helping us locating him and returning him to his home.

Please note that the Parks Department removed one of the remaining four rabbits to make repairs on it.

### Addison Census Response Rate Breaks 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 54.3%](#), which is slightly below the Texas average rate of 55.4%, 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:

<h2>CORONAVIRUS</h2>	<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>
<h2>FLU</h2>	<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>
<h2>ALLERGIES</h2>	<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

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

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

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