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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

August 28, 2020

Council Update

COVID-19 Update



As of August 27, Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS) was reporting a total of 165 cases of COVID-19 that can be contributed to newer cases and 54 cases from previous months that were found in the State's electronic laboratory system. COVID-19. Thursdays new positive numbers continue a trend of lower cases.

To date, Addison has a total of 288 confirmed COVID-19 cases and no deaths according to Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS). DCHHS releases new numbers every Tuesday and Friday and [reports can be found on their website here](#).

As a reminder, the [Executive Order](#) issued by Governor Greg Abbott on July 2 requiring all Texans to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth in public spaces remains in effect. Please continue to also follow these preventative measures to help reduce the spread of COVID-19:

- 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).

For more Addison COVID-19 updates, please visit www.addisontexas.net/covid19.

Council Gets Update on Trails Master Plan



On February 13, 2020 Council approved a resolution for professional planning services with Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. (MIG) to create a Town-wide Trails Master Plan. The project is currently in Phase 2 of four phases which include: Project Vision, Goals and Strategies, Trail Recommendations, and Action Plan. At the August 25 Council Work Session, MIG gave an update on their progress and findings thus far. Included in the presentation was a review of input received as part of the community visioning workshop and surveys.

You can [watch Council's Trails Master Plan discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

Council Discusses Expansion of LPR and Optical Camera Systems

Addison Police Chief Paul Spencer [presented the findings](#) of the Addison Police Department's License Plate Recognition (LPR) and Optical Camera Pilot Project to Council on May 26, 2020. The report offered observations on lessons learned and discussed the effectiveness of the technology for Addison's public safety efforts. Based on Council direction at that meeting, staff developed preliminary findings for future expansion of the LPR and Optical Camera systems and presented those recommendations to Council at the August 25 Work Session. These findings include LPR expansion into single and multi-family residential areas; addition of LPR into key commercial areas along Belt Line Road; and expansion/consolidation of optical cameras within Town-owned parks and trails.

The next step is for staff to put together Request for Proposals for the LPR Program and the Optical Camera Systems. Based on costs, staff will prioritize options and come forward to Council with recommendations.

You can [watch Council's LPR expansion discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

Council Adopts Updated Naming and Recognition and Public Art Policies

At its July 14 meeting, the City Council discussed staff's proposed changes to the Town's Naming and Recognition and Public Art Policies. The Naming and Recognition Policy addresses the naming or renaming of structures, parks, trails, and other Town-owned facilities. Changes to the Public Art Policy were proposed to better align with the

modifications made to the Naming and Recognition Policy regarding how the donations are recognized.

At its August 25 meeting, Council approved both policies which had been revised to incorporate feedback received from Council during both the July and August meetings.

You can [watch the Council's naming policy discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#). You can [watch the Council's public art discussion here](#).

Upcoming Public Hearing on Proposed Budget and Tax Rate

The Addison City Council will hold public hearings on the [City Manager's proposed 2021 budget and tax rate](#) at a special meeting at 5pm on Tuesday, September 1 at the Addison Treehouse. The agenda will be [posted on the Town's website](#) three days prior to the meeting.

Around Addison

Clear the Shelter Takes Place August 29



Addison Animal Control will be participating in Clear the Shelters 2020 on Saturday, August 29 from 9am-5pm at All FUR Fun Training and Event Center at 15559 Wright Brothers Drive. Clear the Shelters is a nationwide pet adoption drive where shelters across the country, including Addison, waive adoption fees, hoping to clear out shelters. The Town of Addison Animal Control Department will have their adoptable animals onsite, so come on out and help them find their forever homes!

We are taking safety precautions by limiting occupancy and setting up sanitation stations at entrances and exits. We encourage everyone to browse our available pets online prior to arrival to see if we have a match for you! [View our adoptable animals here](#).

To locate more shelters participating, please visit cleartheshelters.com.

DART Would Like to Hear From You!



Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) would like to hear from you! Please fill out [this survey](#) to better understand how DART can provide support during these challenging times. The survey will close on August 31.

AFD Officially Welcomes Rescue 101 to its Fleet



The Addison Fire Department hosted a small "Push-In Ceremony" on Friday, August 28 at Fire Station 1 to commemorate the arrival of Rescue 101. Staff from the Fire, Airport and City Manager Departments were joined by Mayor Joe Chow, Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore Guillermo Quintanilla, and Council Members Ivan Hughes and Paul Walden. This new apparatus, which was built to protect our airport and combat fuel fires, carries 1,600 gallons water, 220 gallons of foam, and up to 500 pounds of dry chemical powder. It also carries EMS equipment, and assorted firefighting or rescue tools.

This vehicle replaces a nearly 20-year-old Oshkosh T-1500 and the approximately \$700,00 price tag is being funded through the Town's Airport Fund.

Back in the horse-drawn carriage days, firefighters actually pushed their trucks into the station after they had been washed. This time-honored tradition is still recognized today as a way to debut new vehicles.

Don't Miss Doggie Splash Days



Doggie Splash Days are back this year at the Athletic Club, but will look a little different than how it was in the past. In order to allow for social distancing, the Club is offering several opportunities for your furry friend to swim, but each session is limited to 10 spaces.

Please register at the Athletic Club front desk to reserve your spot. The fee is \$5 per dog, you can only register for one date, and proof of updated shots is required. Masks (for the owners!) are required.

Tuesday, 9/8 from 4pm - 5pm
Wednesday, 9/9 from 4pm - 5pm
Thursday, 9/10 from 4pm - 5pm
Saturday, 9/12 from 10am - 11am
Saturday, 9/12 from 11am - 12pm

If you have any questions, please contact the Addison Athletic Club at athleticclub@addisontx.gov or 972-450-7048.

Request Bulk Trash Pick Up Online

Residents living in single family homes can now request bulk, brush, and household hazardous waste (HHW) collection [on the website here](#). The Town does not collect propane tanks or refrigerators, microwaves, ovens, etc. that have not had refrigerants removed from the appliance. Items such as hot water heaters, furniture, tree limbs, bags of leaves, paint, and batteries (among many other items) qualify for this special collection at no extra charge to residents.

Please allow a minimum of 48 business hours for staff to respond. Emergencies and special job operations may delay field crew response time. Brush that is generated by a private service provider is the responsibility of the contractor to dispose of.

If you have any questions, please call the Public Works and Engineering Department at 972-450-2871.

2020 Census Deadline Extended



There's still time to be counted in the 2020 Census. The deadline to submit your response has been extended to September 30 due to the pandemic. Completing the Census is quick, easy, and important! 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.

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:

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](#).

Important Numbers and Websites

Town Hall:
972-450-7000

[Volunteer](#)

Non-emergency Police Dispatch:

972-450-7156

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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