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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

September 11, 2020

Council Update

COVID-19 Update



According to Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS), Dallas County has had 74,628 confirmed coronavirus cases and 964 deaths from the virus. To date, Addison has had a total of 309 confirmed COVID-19 cases and no deaths. 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 Approves Fiscal Year 2021 Budget and Tax Rate

Following a second round of public hearings at its September 8 meeting, the City Council approved the [Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2021 budget](#) and adopted a tax rate of \$0.608676 per \$100 of assessed value, which does not exceed the no new revenue tax rate. The new budget takes effect on October 1 and includes the following significant items:

- Revenues for all funds total approximately \$78.9 million, a reduction of \$4.6M compared to FY 2020. Primary revenue sources are property tax (\$28.8 million), sales tax (\$12.3 million), hotel occupancy tax (\$4.2 million) and utility service fees (\$13.9 million).

- Staffing level of 299.8 Full-time Equivalent (FTE) positions including the in-sourcing of Addison Airport staff. This is an increase of 9.0 FTE's over FY 2020. Employee compensation allocation of approximately \$512 thousand in all funds. This provides a pool equivalent to a 2 percent merit increase.
- Significant decision packages include:
 - Celestial Park Improvements (\$103 thousand),
 - Irrigation Management System Upgrade (\$75 thousand),
 - Risk and Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plan (\$100 thousand),
 - Facilities Maintenance Funds (\$180 thousand),
 - Public Safety Facility Maintenance Funds (\$85 thousand),
 - Water Quality Supervisor (\$85 thousand),
 - Design and Construction Details Standards Upgrade (\$200 thousand),
 - Addison Circle Transit Oriented Development Funds (\$318 thousand),
 - Special Area Study Funds (\$140 thousand),
 - Funds for Enhanced Street Maintenance (\$292 thousand).
- The FY 2021 proposed Capital Improvements budget totals \$37.2 million and includes the following significant projects:
 - Midway Road Reconstruction (\$10.4 million),
 - Vitruvian Development Next Phase (\$3.9 million),
 - HVAC Replacements (\$1.1 million),
 - Roof Replacements (\$2.9 million),
 - Keller Springs Reconstruction (\$4.0 million),
 - License Plate Recognition System Expansion (\$1.4 million),
 - Completion of Airport Customs Facility Construction (\$2.6 million),
 - Celestial Ground Storage Tank Rehabilitation (\$1.7 million),
 - Chlorine Booster Station (\$1.0 million),
 - Water System Improvements (\$1.4 million),
 - Stormwater Assessment Basin Improvements (\$2.8 million).

Impact on Average Homeowner

	FY2020	FY2021
Average Home Value	\$430,632	\$432,871
Tax Rate	0.583500	0.608676
Average Taxable Value	\$329,891	\$335,597
Annual Tax Bill	\$1,925	\$2,043

Based on the average taxable home value of \$335,597, the average residential taxpayer would pay \$118 (~\$9.83 per month) more than last year.



You can [watch the Council's FY 2021 budget discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#). You can [watch the Council's FY 2021 tax rate discussion here](#) and [read the](#)

[presentation here.](#)

Addison Airport Operations, Management, and Real Estate Functions to be In-Sourced

In January 2020, the Council made the decision to in-source Addison Airport's operations, management, and financial management to the Town. They also decided to hire Landrum & Brown (L&B) to negotiate a new agreement for real estate services at the airport with new terms and conditions.

At the September 8 meeting, staff shared with the City Council that together with L&B they had analyzed various management structure scenarios and determined that bringing the asset and real estate management-related functions in house would have a positive impact on reducing the airport's costs by eliminating the need for a management fee and incentive bonus. This move would also provide stronger institutional knowledge within the Town and less risk of disruption to the real estate services.

The in-sourcing of all the operations, management, and real estate functions at the airport reduces the annual cost of the management and operations by approximately \$550,000. The FY2021 Budget that Council adopted on September 8 incorporated the recommendations to make all of the current Addison Airport team employees of the Town of Addison effective October 1.

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

Fall Town Meeting Postponed to April

The City Council made the decision at its September 8 meeting to postpone the annual Fall Town meeting until April due to COVID-19 restrictions and concerns.

You can [watch the Council's Town Meeting discussion here.](#)

Council Approves Agreement with Cobb Fendley for Addison Circle Development Analysis

At its September 8 meeting, the City Council approved a professional services contract in an amount not to exceed \$123,565 with Cobb Fendley for analysis needed to develop the property around the new DART transit center.

In 2017, anticipating rail service on the Cotton Belt/Silver Line Rail Corridor, the Town conducted a special area study that established a plan for the 29 acres surrounding the future rail station adjacent to the existing transit center. This vision calls for a high density mixed-use transit oriented development that will make Addison a major destination on the rail line and enhance Addison Circle's reputation as a desirable place to live, work and play.

The Town is currently in the process of working with DART and the private landowners to prepare a solicitation for development on these properties. One step in that process is to understand the current infrastructure and utility capacities in the area compared with what will be needed when future development occurs. This will be useful in determining what improvements the Town may need to make to prepare the sites for development or to

require of potential developers. For this assessment, Cobb Fendley will conduct the following:

1. Stormwater Impact Analysis
2. Potable Water Impact Analysis
3. Wastewater Impact Analysis
4. Franchise Utility Impact Analysis
5. Traffic Impact Analysis

This information will be shared with potential developers as part of the solicitation process and should increase the number and quality of development proposals the Town may expect to receive during the solicitation process.

You can [watch the Council's Cobb Fendley discussion here](#).

Finance Department Presents Third Quarter Financial Report

Addison's financial policies require the publication of a financial report 60 days subsequent to the end of each fiscal quarter. The report presented to Council at its September 8 meeting covers the financial performance through the third quarter for Fiscal Year 2020 (October 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020). Key highlights for the third quarter include:

- General Fund revenue totaled \$35.2 million, which is 89.9 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- General Fund expenditures totaled \$29.3 million, which is 68.0 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- Sales tax collections totaled \$10.9 million, which is 79.5 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- The Hotel Fund had revenue of \$3.2 million and expenditures of \$3.3 million, which are below historical averages.
- Performing Arts expenditures are at 100.0 percent due to the final payment of the Water Tower Theatre grant.
- Special Events revenues totaled 8.9 percent, and expenses totaled 18.3 percent of the fiscal year budget. This is because of the cancellation of events due to COVID-19.
- Airport Fund operating revenue totaled \$5.4 million or 76.8 percent, and operating expenditures totaled \$3.9 million or 69.0 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- Utility Fund operating revenue totaled \$8.0 million or 60.9 percent, and expenditures totaled \$8.8 million or 67.4 percent of the fiscal year budget. With a one-month lag in the collection of utility revenues, 66.7 percent of the fiscal year has expired. The year-to-date revenue and percent of budget are in line with the prior year. Wastewater treatment expenses are high due to the timing of payments and will continue to be monitored throughout the fiscal year.
- Stormwater Fund revenue totaled \$1.7 million or 69.7 percent, and expenditures totaled \$793 thousand or 53.3 percent of the fiscal year budget. With a one-month lag in the collection of stormwater revenues, 66.7 percent of the fiscal year has expired.

The [Quarterly Investment Report](#) for Quarter 3 of Fiscal Year 2020 was also provided for informational purposes. This report was prepared in accordance with state law and the Town's Financial Policies.

You can [watch the Council's third quarter financial update discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

Upcoming Public Hearing

The following public hearings will take place at the September 15 Planning and Zoning Meeting, which will be held virtually beginning at 6pm. The agenda will be posted [here](#) three days prior to the meeting. If you would like to comment during the public hearing, you can either email your statement to Charles Goff at cgoff@addisontx.gov by 3pm the day of the meeting or [follow the instructions listed here](#) to participate by audio conferencing.

Case 1816-Z/Addison Senior Living. Public hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance changing the zoning on a 11.607-acre property located at the southwest corner of Dallas Parkway and Excel Parkway, from PD, Planned Development, to a new PD district in order to allow a senior living development and future office development.

Case 1809-Z/Baumann Building. Public hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance changing the zoning on a .57-acre property located at 4901 Arapaho Road, which is currently zoned PD, Planned Development, through Ordinance O04-048, by approving a new PD district.

Around Addison

Last Chance to Enjoy Addison Weekend Drive-in Concerts



Join us tonight and Saturday night for live outdoor concerts at Addison Weekend Drive-In! Enjoy the shows from the comfort of your vehicle while enjoying tunes transmitted via both speaker system and FM radio. Band performance will start at 8:30pm and the lot will open at 7:30pm.

Admission is free for all ages. There will not be food vendors on-site; attendees are encouraged to support Addison restaurants via dine-in or takeout before the show!

Find more information and FAQs at [VisitAddison.com/drivein](https://www.visitaddison.com/drivein).

WaterTower Theatre Premieres *One Addison*



On September 17, WaterTower Theatre (WTT) is premiering *ONE Addison*, a filmed theatrical concert event that pays tribute to its patrons. This uplifting production features music and dance performances by renowned DFW talent. The entire event was filmed live on stage and offers WTT's hometown and community supporters the opportunity to see how their generosity makes a world of difference in community.

Patrons can stream and enjoy the *ONE Addison* concert from the comfort and safety of their own homes beginning on North Texas Giving Day, September 17, and continuing through September 30, 2020.

Get more details and purchase tickets [here](#).

Prep Work Begins for new Silver Line



DART's contractor, Archer Western Herzog, has started surveying the site from Midway Road and Spectrum Road in order to relocate a nearby pipeline. The actual construction for the pipeline relocation is tentatively scheduled to begin next week. The work will be done within DART's Right of Way and Archer Western Herzog has secured permits for this work from the Town. No traffic closures are anticipated.

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

[Request Bulk Trash Pickup](#)

Athletic Club:

972-450-7048

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