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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

September 18, 2020

Council Update

COVID-19 Update



Governor Abbott Expands Capacity for Many Businesses

Governor Abbott announced in a press conference on September 17 that capacity in many Texas businesses will be allowed to expand next week thanks to steady and significant improvements in COVID-19 trends statewide since their peaks in July.

Here are the highlights:

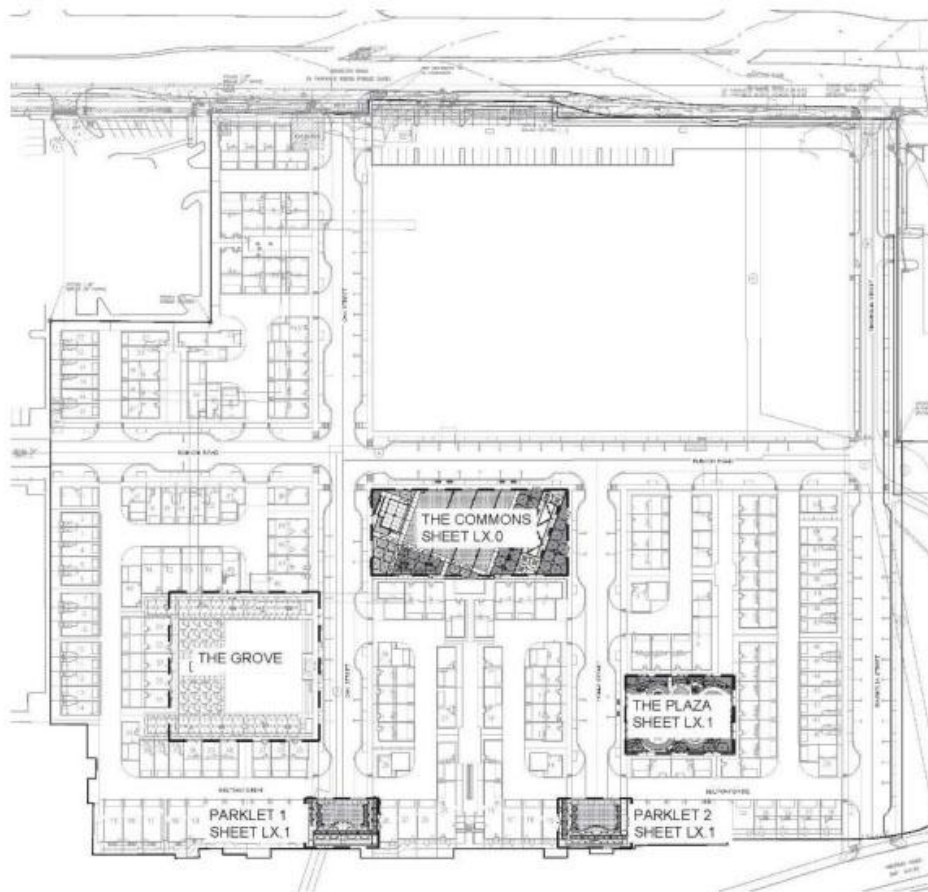
- Retail, restaurants, office buildings, manufacturing facilities, gyms, museums and libraries may expand to 75% capacity beginning Monday, September 21.
- Bars will remain closed.
- Nursing homes, assisted living, and other long-term care facilities that do not have an active COVID-19 outbreak may reopen to visitation on Thursday, September 24
- Hospitals in regions with COVID-19-related hospitalizations under 15% will be allowed to resume ordinary, elective surgical procedures.

Several other business types will remain at 50% capacity for now, including wedding reception venues, movie theaters, amusement parks and waterparks, bowling alleys, fine arts performance halls, video game facilities, zoos, aquariums, natural caverns, and more. Gov. Abbott shared that wearing masks, social distancing, and other CDC-recommended sanitation protocols were responsible for the state's downtrends in hospitalization and positivity rates and encouraged Texans to continue practicing these important preventative measures.

For a complete list of current restrictions and protocols, visit www.open.texas.gov. You can [view Gov. Abbott's Executive Order 30 here](#).

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

Council Discusses Names for New Addison Grove Parks



The redevelopment agreement for the former Sam's Club property on Belt Line Road that was approved by the City Council in January 2016 includes \$6.5 Million for the construction of public infrastructure as part of the development. In addition to streets and utilities, this commitment by the Town is slated to fund the construction of three parks and two parklets. The developer has assigned temporary names to the three parks to help reference them through design and construction: The Grove Park, The Commons Park, and The Plaza Park. The two parklets have not been assigned temporary names.

At its September 8 meeting, the Council discussed permanent names for these new Addison parks. They directed staff to move forward with making the "temporary names" permanent.

You can [watch the Council's Addison Grove parks naming discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

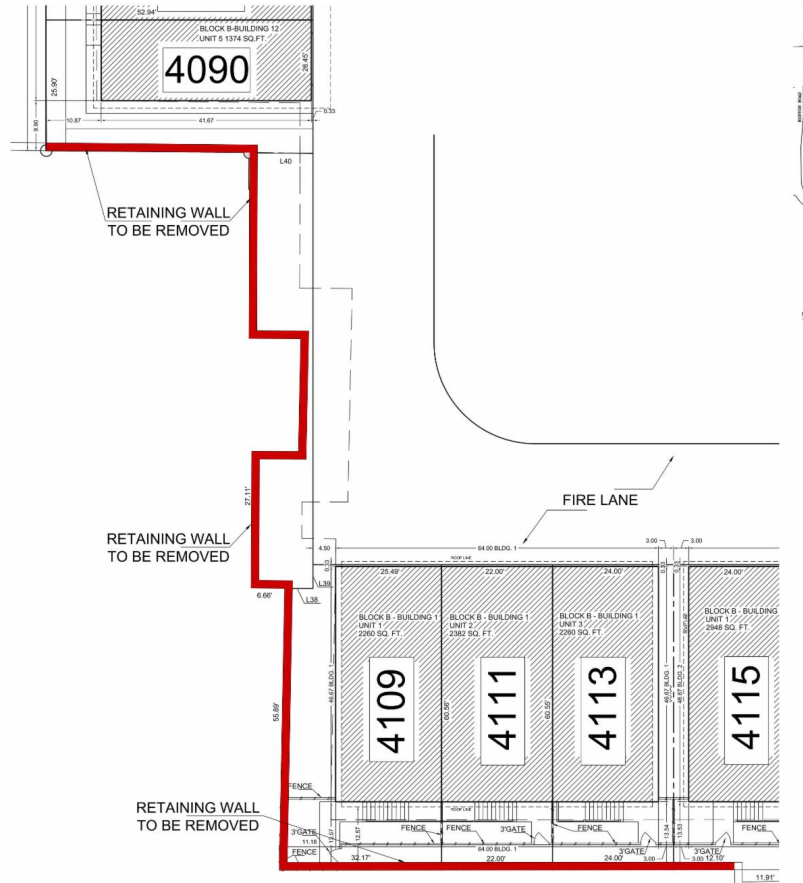
Around Addison

Demolition of Addison Grove Retaining Walls Begins in October



The Addison Grove townhome developer is about to begin construction on several units similar to the one pictured in the rendering above along the wall at the southwestern edge of the property. In accordance with the zoning requirements, the developer can now begin to remove the wall in this area. Construction of the units and demolition of the wall is expected to begin the week of October 19.

The map below details the section of the wall slated to be removed during this initial phase. The wall will come down progressively as townhomes are started.



Oncor Tower Project Update

Oncor has temporarily redirected to their staff to Louisiana help assist with damage to their facilities caused by Hurricane Laura. As a result, they have suspended construction of the tower replacement project along the Redding Trail until their staff can return to Texas. They anticipate this causing a three-week delay in the construction schedule.

Originally restoration efforts and the opening of the Redding Trail were anticipated to begin in early November. With this delay the Town now expects restoration and trail opening to occur in early December. Once Oncor crews return to the construction project we will be able to provide an updated schedule.

Thank you for your patience.

November 3 Election Update

There have been some important changes to early voting days and voting centers for the November 3 election. In addition to a number of state and national races, Addison voters will be asked to consider 26 amendments to Addison's Charter. Residents will be receiving a voter information guide in the mail prior to the start of early voting, but you can also find more information on the Town's website at www.addisontexas.net/charter2020.

Monday, October 5, 2020 is the last day to submit a voter registration application in time to vote in the November 3 election. Not sure if you are registered or need to download a voter registration application? Visit www.dallascountyvotes.org for assistance.

Governor Greg Abbott has extended the early voting period for the November election by six days, citing continued challenges posed by the coronavirus pandemic. Early voting now begins Tuesday, October 13 instead of October 19. The end date remains Oct. 30. For the first time, Loos Field House at 3815 Spring Valley Road will be used as a vote center. Addison voters may vote there, or at any Dallas County early voting location. [Find a complete list here.](#)

On November 3, Dallas County residents can vote at any Dallas County Vote Center. There will be three polling places in Addison:

- Loos Field House: 3815 Spring Valley Road
- Addison Conference Centre: 15650 Addison Road
- Addison Central Fire Station: 4798 Airport Parkway

Fire Station 2 on Beltway Drive will not be used as a voting location this election. You can find a full list of Dallas County locations at www.DallasCountyVotes.org

Use Addison FixIT App to Report Problems Around Town

Addison FixIT App Tutorial - Updated February 2020



Notice a street light out, an illegally placed sign, or a stray dog? You can report it by using Addison's "Addison FixIT" app. The app is available for both [iPhones](#) and [androids](#) (FixIT is one word) and allows you to either take or upload a photo and mark an exact location on a map. You don't have to log in to use the app, just open it and submit a request! You can also report a problem online on our website at www.addisontexas.net/fixit.

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! According to the [Census tracker](#), the Texas response rate is 61.7% and the Addison response rate is 62%. 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:

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| <h2>CORONAVIRUS</h2> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FEVER ● COUGH ● SHORTNESS OF BREATH ● SYMPTOMS APPEAR 2-14 DAYS AFTER EXPOSURE |
| <h2>FLU</h2> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FEVER ● COUGH ● SORE THROAT ● HEADACHES ● FATIGUE (TIREDNESS) ● MUSCLE OR BODY ACHES ● RUNNY OR STUFFY NOSE |
| <h2>ALLERGIES</h2> | <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

Non-emergency Police Dispatch:
972-450-7156

Missed Trash:
972-392-9300, Option 2

[Request Bulk Trash Pickup](#)

Athletic Club:
972-450-7048

[Addison Website](#)

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[Addison News](#)

[Community Crime Map](#)

[Watch City Council Meetings](#)

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[Register your Security Alarm](#)

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