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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

January 22, 2021

Council Update

COVID-19 Update



There are several ways to register for the COVID-19 vaccine. Vaccines are still in limited supply and being allocated to North Texans who are in Phase 1A and Phase 1B. You can find more details on the state's vaccination efforts here.

Register with Dallas and Surrounding Counties

You do NOT need to be a resident of a county to register for a COVID-19 vaccine in that county -- registration is open to anyone in Texas. You can register in more than one county. Below is a list of website and phone numbers to assist you.

Dallas County

- Vaccine Registration Hotline: 469-749-9900 (Monday-Friday, 8am to 5pm, registration assistance available in English and Spanish)
- Register online: https://www.dallascounty.org/covid-19/covid-19-vaccination.php
- There are several Vaccination Hubs in Dallas County where vaccinations are being administered including
 - Fair Park
 - · Parkland Hospital
 - UT Southwestern
 - Baylor University (coming soon)
 - Garland Health Department: NOTE: The Garland Health Department is scheduling vaccination events as additional vaccine supply is received. You can sign up here: https://garlandtx.gov/3813/Vaccine-Information
- The state recently announced additional Hubs. Find a complete list here.

Denton County

• Register by phone: 940-349-2585

• Register online: <u>www.DentonCounty.gov/COVID19vaccine</u>

Tarrant County

• Register by phone: 817-248-6299

Collin County

- Register online: https://www.collincountvtx.gov/healthcare_services/Pages/COVID19vaccines.aspx
- Four COVID-19 vaccine hubs now operational in Collin County by appointment only, including two in McKinney, one in Allen and another in Frisco

Register with Healthcare Providers

There are several hospital networks that are partnering with Dallas County to offer vaccines to people who register with Dallas County, but they are also offering vaccines to eligible patients:

UT Southwestern Medical Center

- Existing patients can <u>register here</u>. An "existing patient" is someone who has been seen by a UTSW provider in the last three years)
- Get more information here

Parkland Health and Hospital System

- Currently reaching out to eligible patients to schedule an appointment through its "MyChart" portal
- Sign in to MyChart here

Baylor Scott & White

- Currently reaching out to eligible patients to schedule an appointment
- · Get more information here

Texas Health Resources:

- Currently reaching out to eligible patients to schedule an appointment
- Get more information here

Register with Local Vaccine Providers

The state is also distributing a limited number of vaccines to local pharmacies like Walgreens and Kroger. You can find a list of those providers here.

- · Check the websites of individual providers for more details
- You must make an appointment

Candidate Packets for May 2021 City Council Election Now Available

Packets to file for the May 2021 City Council election are now available in the City Secretary's office at Town Hall, 5300 Belt Line Road, Monday through Friday from 8am - 5pm. Since Town Hall is open by appointment only due to COVID-19 precautions, please contact City Secretary Irma Parker at iparker@addisontx.gov or 972-450-7017 to make pick-up arrangements. The packet can also be downloaded on the Town's website here.

The last day to file is on Friday, February 12 at 5pm.

In November, Addison voters approved 26 amendments to the Town's Charter. One of those amendments removed the option for a person to nominate themselves for candidacy for Mayor or City Council and instead requires a petition signed by registered voters who support the nomination. The minimum number of signatures required is 25 and the maximum allowed is 50. Registered voters may sign only ONE petition for Mayor and only ONE petition for City Council. If you have any questions about this new requirement, please contact Irma Parker at iparker@addisontx.gov.

Public Safety Update

AFD Uses Grant from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation for Fire Hoses



The Addison Fire Department recently received a \$24,393 grant from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation! The Department, which takes great pride in providing lifesaving support to the community, used these funds to purchase fire hoses. Thank you to Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation and the generous donors who made this grant possible.

Around Addison

Oncor Tower Replacement Update

Oncor has provided us more details on their clean-up and restoration efforts for the Oncor Tower Replacement project along Redding Trail. As noted below, they have specified the timeline for the demolition of the old towers and related earthwork. Our Parks and Recreation Department continues to work closely with them to ensure the restoration efforts meet the agreed-upon expectations.

January 4 - January 30: Line Construction

- A reduced portion of the Redding Trail Dog Park will open for use.
- Closure signs will be placed to minimize pedestrian traffic for construction.
- The trail will be closed to the public.

February 1 - February 20: Clean-up

• Oncor will clean-up major ruts, remove old tower foundations, haul off excess dirt piles, and dismantle and haul off all old tower structures.

February 22 - March 20: Restoration

· Restore sidewalks, irrigation, and landscape

Thank you for your continued patience on this project.

It's the time of Year to Prepare for Egret and Heron Control and Addison Needs Your Help







Herons left to right: Yellow-crowned Night Heron, Little Blue Heron, and Black-crowned Night Heron







Egrets left to right: Cattle Egret, Snowy Egret, Great Egret

The Parks and Recreation Department is asking residents to help deter egrets and herons from forming nesting colonies (rookeries) in Addison. Urban rookeries can cause noise, odor, public health hazards, and damage to property. The Town is already aware of Herons' nests in one neighborhood and is working with U.S. Department of Fish and Wildlife to proactively address and prevent further nesting. Residents can help by following these three simple steps:

- 1. Egrets and Herons like dense tree canopies and nest in trees that are 20' tall or greater. They like areas with contiguous canopy where large trees have grown together. You can be a big part of the solution by heavily thinning out the interior branches of your trees so they have 75% density or less. If possible, prune trees so they do not touch other trees. January and February is an ideal time to prune trees.
- 2. Familiarize yourself with what Egret and Herons native to our area look like.

3. If an Egret or Heron is beginning to build a nest in some cases the Parks and Recreation Department can deter the birds or remove the nest if eggs have not been laid. Please notify us if you think you have seen an Egret or Heron beginning to build a nest by emailing Matt Ansted at mansted@addisontx.gov. It's helpful if you include in your email the location, a description of the bird, and a photo if possible. You can also report sightings on Addison's FixIT app.

In some cases, we may be able to use hazing tactics to encourage them to leave. Herons and egrets are protected under the Migratory Bird Act, so please do not harm them, their nests, eggs, or hatchlings.

Thank you for your help.

Register For Midway Road Revitalization Updates



The Midway Road Revitalization project is slated to begin in January 2021. You can receive project updates in several ways:

- Visit www.AddisonTexas.net/Midway
- Subscribe to emails here.
- Text "Midway" to 888-777
- Follow @TownofAddison on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u>

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:

- <u>www.addisontexas.net</u>: Find alerts and updates on the homepage and department specific updates on department pages
- www.addistontexas.net/covid19: Find specific COVID-19 updates and resources
- <u>www.addisontexas.net/Midway:</u> Find information on the Midway Road Revitalization Project and subscribe for project email and text updates.

Social Media:

- Addison Facebook
- Visit Addison Facebook
- Addison Twitter
- Visit Addison Twitter
- NextDoor

Addison Newsletters: For a description of and to subscribe to all of Addison's newsletters, click <u>here.</u>

If you have specific questions, please contact Addison's Marketing Department at marketing@addisontx.gov.





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:



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

Sign up for Addison Alerts

Volunteer

List of Restaurants

Addison News

Community Crime Map

Watch City Council Meetings

Addison's PEG Channel

(channel 99 for AT&T subscribers, channel 16 for Spectrum subscribers)

Register your Security Alarm

Report a Problem with Addison FixIT

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