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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

January 8, 2021

Council Update

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On January 8, Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS) reported 2,590 additional positive cases of COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 185,181 confirmed cases, including 1,735 confirmed deaths. DCHHS releases new numbers every Tuesday and Friday and [reports can be found on their website here.](#)

Due to the limited supply, the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine is being prioritized to people who qualify as Phase 1A which includes health-care workers and residents of long-term care facilities, and Phase 1B which includes people over 65 years old and those with underlying health conditions. Dallas County has established a pre-screening form for county residents to determine their eligibility. Residents can go to dallascounty.org/covid-19/covid-19-vaccination.php to register and will be notified of the next steps as the vaccine becomes available.

The [Texas Department of State Health Services \(DSHS\) website](#) indicates that beginning next week, Texas will direct most COVID-19 vaccines received to large sites or hubs around the state. They will [publish the complete list of vaccine hub providers](#), once vaccine allocation is finalized.

Dallas County announced Thursday it plans to launch a “mega” public COVID-19 vaccination site at Fair Park next week, where thousands of people can be inoculated each day. **Shots will be available by appointment only to those who have [pre-registered online](#) with Dallas County.**

If you are in Phase 1 and eligible to receive the vaccine, you can also check the websites of vaccine providers listed on the [Texas COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Locations map](#) to see if they have enough vaccine supply at this time:

- Do not show up at a hospital or clinic looking for a vaccine.
- Instead please check websites for information about vaccine availability.
- Call only if the website doesn't answer your questions.

The vaccine process is currently evolving, but the Town is communicating on a regular basis with Dallas County officials and will continue to share vaccine information as it becomes available. For additional COVID-19 related information, please visit the [Dallas County Website](#) and www.addisontexas.net/covid.

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](#).

Wednesday, January 13 is the first official day to file for the election. 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.

Interested in Serving as a Community Partners Liaison?

The City Council selects residents to represent the Town of Addison with its Community Partners (non-profit organizations). If you are interested in being considered as a liaison for The Family Place, Dallas Cat Lady, Metrocare Services, or Metrocrest Services, please [fill out this application](#) before January 18. Council is scheduled to consider appointments at its second meeting in January.

Upcoming Public Hearings

The following Public Hearings will take place during the January 12 City Council Meeting at the Addison TreeHouse, 14681 Midway Road. The agenda [will be posted here](#) three days prior to the meeting.

Case 1819-Z/4135-4145 Belt Line. Public hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance changing the zoning on properties located at 4135 and 4145 Belt Line Road, from LR, Local Retail, to a PD, Planned Development District, based on LR with modified uses, in order to allow a medical office use for an urgent care center.

Case 1820-SUP/DART Transit Station. Public hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance changing an existing Special Use Permit, through Ordinances O97-055 and O02-002, located at 4925 Arapaho Road, to include a rail station as an allowed use and amend development plans, in order to allow a rail station at the Addison Transit Center.

Sign Ordinance Amendment. Public hearing on an ordinance amending Chapter 62-Signs of the Code of Ordinances to change regulations for flags and residential signs.

Around Addison

Oncor Tower Replacement Update

Oncor has finished installing the new towers along Redding Trail from the back corner of the park east to Midway Road. Crews plan to complete the other half of the trail by the end of January and then clean up can begin.

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 27: Clean-up and Restoration

- Oncor will clean-up and repair damage to the landscape and irrigation.
- Addison parks crews will install the pedestrian light poles and replacement vegetation.

Thank you for your continued patience on this project.

Lynn Nash Recognized for Serving 500 Volunteer Hours



During lunch each day, Town Hall is filled with smiling faces and gentle voices of volunteers who are eager to help those needing assistance. One of those voices is Lynn Nash. Lynn has now completed over 500 volunteer hours with Addison! While she

currently volunteers at Town Hall, Lynn has volunteered in other areas including Economic Development and Special Events. She specifically enjoys research and computer projects. Lynn even recruited her husband, Fred, who volunteers as well. Congratulations to Lynn and thank you so much for all your work in Addison.

Addison Employees Honored at End of the Year Employee Awards



It is a long-standing Addison tradition to recognize outstanding employees and departments for serving our community the Addison Way! We are so proud to present all of the winners of our End of the Year Employee Awards.

Employee of the Year Award - Sandra Long, Development Services (top left)

Nominated for her COVID-19 leadership to the North Texas Region, our restaurants, business communities, and Addison employees.

Hero Award - Bryan Murley, Fire (top right)

Nominated for saving someone's life.

Leadership Award - David Jones, Fire (bottom right)

Nominated for his leadership during the COVID-19 pandemic by protecting Addison employees and the community.

Innovation Award - Nathan Fox, Public Works (bottom left)

Nominated for his great work in providing cost-effective procedures for Public Works.

Department of the Year - Information Technology

Nominated for their digital workforce preparedness and connecting everyone virtually.

Department of the Year - Human Resources

Nominated for managing the federal COVID-19 regulations and going above and beyond in employee recognition activities.

Congratulations to these outstanding employees and for their dedication to Addison!

Stay Connected with the Travel Safely App

Addison is Now on TravelSafely



As part of the 2019 bond election, Addison voters approved funding for an Advanced Traffic Management System. The new system, which has now been installed throughout the Town, not only allows emergency vehicles to more easily and efficiently clear traffic in front of first responders, but can also be managed remotely by staff saving time and money.

An additional benefit is that anyone traveling in Addison can connect their phone to a network of traffic intersections, school beacons, motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians through the **Travel Safely app**. Below are a few of the features of this app.

- At a red light, the app will display a countdown and verbally notify you when the light is about to turn green.
- If a user speeds towards a red light, the app will alert that they are approaching the intersection too fast.
- The app will notify you if you're speeding in an active school zone.
- If you're a motorist, the app will warn you if there's a cyclist on the road ahead or pedestrians in the crosswalk ahead if it detects you aren't going to stop.

[Download the app here](#) and stay connected.

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
- www.addisontexas.net/Midway: 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 [here](#).

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:

<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](#)

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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