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## A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

**November 12, 2021**

### Council Update

#### **Addison Plans to Refinance Bonds**

During a Work Session prior to the November 9 City Council Meeting, Addison CFO Steven Glickman shared with Council plans to refinance some nearly 10-year-old Certificates of Obligation (CO's) in early 2022. In 2012, the Town issued \$14,835,000 in Combination Tax and Revenue CO's for the purposes of acquiring and installing radio and telecommunications equipment for the Town's public safety operations and for water, wastewater, street, and drainage infrastructure improvements within Vitruvian Park. The radio and telecommunications bonds were issued with a fifteen-year debt-life while the Vitruvian infrastructure bonds were issued with a twenty-five-year debt life. The CO's carry a final maturity date of February 15, 2037, but may be called and refunded (refinanced) on February 15, 2022 on a tax-exempt basis.

Refunding the CO's is estimated to create total interest savings of \$971,500 with net present value savings of \$836,359 (8.83% of the amount refunded). Interest savings of approximately \$62,000 to \$68,000 per year are estimated for the remaining life of the bonds.

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

## Greenhill Plans New Science Building



At its November 9 meeting, the City Council approved a zoning change that will make way for the construction of a new two-story, 59,200 square foot Math, Science, and Innovation (MSI) building at Greenhill School. Located at the northwest quadrant of the campus, the new building will replace the former Agnich Science Hall, which was constructed in 1964 and was recently demolished. This new building will offer classrooms and facilities in science, math, engineering, and technology for Middle and Upper School students. The basement level of the building is proposed to serve as the community storm shelter that is required for schools by the 2018 International Building Code (IBC), which has been adopted by the Town of Addison.

The school plans to break ground on the new structure in January 2022 and construction is anticipated to take 18 months. The goal is to have the new building ready to welcome students in August 2023.

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

## Poke Is Popular in Addison

The City Council approved the expansion of one poke restaurant and the addition of a second at its November 9 meeting. Low Key Poke Joint, which is located adjacent to Gloria's in Village on the Parkway, is expanding into the vacant adjoining tenant space. The current restaurant has 1,870 square feet of interior floor area with a 200-square-foot outdoor patio. The new footprint will more than double the interior square footage, making room for additional tables and bar dining area seating for 65 patrons and a private dining room for 8 patrons.

You can [watch Council's Low Key Poke Joint discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

Council also approved a special use permit for Pokéworks at 3719 Belt Line Road, near the new Wing Boss restaurant. Founded in Midtown Manhattan in 2015, Pokéworks is a Hawaiian-inspired fast-casual restaurant that has grown to be one of the largest and fastest-growing poke brands in the nation with locations across the country, including several locations in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. The 1,317 square feet restaurant

accommodates seating for 28 patrons and the small patio between the storefront and sidewalk has room for 2 tables with seating for 4 patrons.

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

## Dallas County Agreement Funds \$4 Million Toward Keller Springs Road Reconstruction

In January of 2021, Addison City Council approved entering into a master agreement for the Major Capital Improvement Program (MCIP) with Dallas County. Dallas County's Commissioners Court approved the agreement in May of 2021. MCIPs are 10-year agreements that allow Dallas County cities to enter into Project Specific Agreements (PSA) with the County to help pay for up to 50% of a transportation project.

At its November 9 meeting, the City Council approved a PSA with Dallas County for the reconstruction of [Keller Springs Road](#). Under the terms of the PSA, Dallas County will provide funding in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 to be used for eligible construction costs. The amount committed by the County is reduced by \$100,000 to cover the County's in-house project delivery costs that include design costs, preliminary scoping and research, preliminary design services, design review, special services, site inspection, meetings, and preliminary utility coordination.

As part of the 2019 bond election, voters approved \$12,900,000 for the reconstruction of Keller Springs. This grant will help to offset nearly 30% of the cost of the project.

## Changes to Parks Ordinance Will Allow Groups to Reserve Some Area Parks

At the June 8 City Council Meeting, Parks and Recreation Director Janna Tidwell proposed creating a Park Use Permit that will direct group gatherings of over 20 people to appropriate locations and manage the impacts to the parks. The proposed permit addresses the cost of a permit, hours of use, locations, group size, rules, and recourse if rules are broken.

Staff presented a proposed ordinance for Council feedback at its November 9 meeting. As part of this ordinance update, additional items such as permitting for fitness instructors and the definitions for "League Play" and "Dependent" will be also addressed. Council will consider action on the final ordinance changes at a future meeting.

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

## New Utility Rates Reflected on November Bill

On January 23, 2018, Council adopted new utility rates as set forth in the financial plan and utility rate model created by Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. The new adjustments consist of the following proposed increases to water and sewer rates over a five-year period:

- Fiscal Year 2019: 8%

- Fiscal Year 2020: 6.5%
- Fiscal Year 2021: 6%
- Fiscal Year 2022: 2.5%
- Fiscal Year 2023: 5%

Staff reviews the utility rate model on an annual basis to ensure the rate adjustments are necessary to meet funding needs. The 2.5% increase for Fiscal Year 2022 was approved by Council at their September 14 meeting.

[You can watch the Council's utility rate discussion here.](#)

The stormwater fees are scheduled to increase 4.3%. This increase by ordinance is passed through to the customer. However, fees for trash and recycling will remain the same, since there was no change in CWD fees charged to the Town for these services.

All of these new fees went into effect on October 1 and will appear on the utility bill residents will receive in November. The average customer will see a 2% (or \$ 1.78 per month) increase in their bill (rates vary based on usage). For more details on utility rates, please visit the [Town's website](#).

## Finance Department Delivers Fourth Quarterly Financial Report

The Town of Addison's financial policies require the publication of a financial report 60 days subsequent to the end of each fiscal quarter. Addison CFO Steven Glickman presented Council with the report covering the financial performance through the fourth quarter for Fiscal Year 2021 (July 1, 2021 - September 30, 2021) at its November 9 meeting.

Key highlights for the fourth quarter include:

- General Fund revenue totaled \$41.3 million, which is 103.3 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- General Fund expenditures totaled \$38.5 million, which is 95.8 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- Sales tax collections totaled \$14.9 million, which is 110.0 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- The Hotel Fund had revenue of \$4.3 million and expenditures of \$5.0 million.
- Performing Arts expenditures are at 114.3 percent due to the full payment of the Water Tower Theatre grant.
- Special Events revenues totaled 81.0 percent, and expenses totaled 83.2 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- Airport Fund operating revenue totaled \$5.9 million or 107.8 percent, and operating expenditures totaled \$4.6 million or 85.9 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- Utility Fund operating revenue totaled \$13.4 million or 96.0 percent of the fiscal year budget, and expenditures totaled \$13.1 million or 92.3 percent of the fiscal year budget. Revenue was primarily below budget due to lower than anticipated sewer volume which was more than offset on the expenditure side with lower than anticipated wholesale purchases of water and sewer services.
- Stormwater Fund revenue and expenditures are in line with historical averages.

The [Fourth Quarter Investment Report](#) adheres to the Town's Investment Policy as adopted by Council and is in keeping with all State laws. You can [watch the Council's](#)

[quarterly update discussion here](#), [review the presentation here](#), and [read the Financial Report here](#).

## Now Accepting Applications for Boards, Commissions, and Community Partners

If you are interested in applying for a position on the Planning and Zoning Commission or Board of Zoning Adjustment, or as a Community Partner, please [fill out this application](#).

The Community Partners Bureau is comprised of residents appointed by the Council to represent the Town of Addison with its Community Partners (non-profit organizations). Council will be considering the following liaison appointments:

- Dallas Cat Lady: Dallas Cat Lady has been working since 2006 to find good homes for cats and kittens. They work with local shelters to give cats and kittens more time to find just the right home. They have placed over 3,000 cats and kittens with new families.
- The Family Place: The Family Place has been helping victims of family violence in North Texas since 1978. They provide everything needed to help victims become survivors.
- Woven Health Clinic: Woven Health Clinic provides primary health care services for people who live in Addison, Carrollton, Coppell, Farmers Branch, and northwest Dallas who cannot afford healthcare.

The application deadline is 5pm on November 30 and the Council will discuss appointments at its December 14 meeting. Please direct any questions to City Secretary Irma Parker at 972-450-7017 or [iparker@addisontx.gov](mailto:iparker@addisontx.gov).

## Upcoming Public Hearings

The following public hearings will take place at the November 16 Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting, which will be held at the Addison TreeHouse at 6pm. The agenda will be posted three days prior to the meeting.

Case 1839-Z/Vitruvian Townhomes. Public Hearing on a recommendation regarding an Ordinance for a 5.11-acre property located at the southeast corner of Spring Valley Road and Vitruvian Way, currently zoned Planned Development (PD) through Ordinance No. 007-034 as amended by Ordinance No. 016-017, to amend the Concept Plan and approve a Development Plan with waivers to the Development Standards, including but not limited to, street build-to line, exterior building material, and building color standards for a multi-family development comprised of 85 dwelling units and associated amenity space.

Case 1841-SUP/14854 Montfort Drive (TK's Place). Public Hearing on a recommendation regarding an Ordinance for property located at 14854 Montfort Drive, currently zoned Planned Development (PD) through Ordinance No. 084-076, for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to allow a restaurant with the sale of alcoholic beverage for on-premises consumption.

Case 1842-SUP/14450 Marsh Lane (Tierra Encantada). Public Hearing on a recommendation regarding an Ordinance for property located at 14450 Marsh Lane,

currently Zoned Local Retail (LR), for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to allow a day nursery.

## Around Addison

### Belt Line Road Reduced to One Lane in Each Direction on Saturday on November 13



On Saturday, November 13, **Belt Line Road will be reduced to one lane in each direction** at Midway Road from 7am until about 5pm to allow concrete trucks to deliver concrete for this phase of the intersection reconstruction.

Please note that **No Left Turns will be allowed at the intersection for any truck larger than a pickup truck.** "No Left Turns - Truck" signage will be in place.

The [intersection paving phases](#) are scheduled to be complete by the end of November.

While driving through the Midway corridor, please pay close attention to the signage and barricading, as the traffic patterns through the area will change as various portions of the construction are undertaken.

You can register for Midway Road text updates by texting the word **Midway** to 888-777 or subscribe to email updates at [www.Addisontexas.net/midway](http://www.Addisontexas.net/midway). Thank you for your patience as we strive to make Addison a better place to live, work, and play.

### Addison Athletic Club Hosts Veterans Day Social



On Thursday, November 11, the Addison Athletic Club hosted its first Veterans Day event to honor the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces. More than 40 people attended the recognition in Les Lacs Park, including nine Addison Veterans.

To all of those who have fought to defend our freedoms, thank you to you and your families for your dedication and sacrifice.

### **Cohen Clinic Hosts Ribbon-Cutting for New Community Room**



The Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Metrocare hosted an official ribbon-cutting ceremony for their new Community Room on November 11. Mayor Pro Tempore Guillermo Quintanilla and Dallas County Commissioner J.J. Koch joined Metrocare CEO John Burruss M.D. and Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce President Hayden Austin to celebrate the opening of this important new resource for the veterans and their families who receive services through the center. The Cohen Clinic provides quality, accessible, and comprehensive mental health care to post-9/11 veterans, service members, and their families. The Cohen Clinic also helps to connect veteran and military families to community resources and services, as necessary, through its case management services. A grant from the Town of Addison helped fund the new community room.

## Divergent Academy Honors Veterans





On November 11, Addison-based Divergence Academy took time to recognize Veterans Day and pay tribute to the many veterans who are graduates and current students of their program. Mayor Pro Tempore Guillermo Quintanilla and Addison Economic Development & Tourism Director Orlando Campos joined Representative Beth Van Duyne, and Divergence Academy Founder/CEO Sravan Ankaraju and Director of Academics / Corporate Learning Case Copeland to celebrate the growth of this vocational school that upskills and reskills veterans for careers in cybersecurity. Established in 2014 in the Addison TreeHouse, the company was the first data science-focused institution in the Dallas-Fort Worth area providing diverse learners with certification programs focused on Cloud, Cybersecurity, and AI.

**Don't Miss Harvest Hootenanny on November 20**



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**HARVEST HOOTENANNY  
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[AddisonAfterDark.com](http://AddisonAfterDark.com)**

Join us for the final Addison After Dark event of 2021! Harvest Hootenanny brings together all your favorite themes of fall with The Bodarks String Band and James Lann laying down some hootenanny music, gourmet food trucks, a petting zoo, a scenic hayride, and much more family fun. To make the most of a fun night out, dress for the harvest theme, bring a blanket or lawn chair, and wear comfortable shoes so you can take part in all the free activities! The festivities kick off in Addison Circle Park at 7pm on Saturday, November 20. Get more information at [AddisonAfterDark.com](http://AddisonAfterDark.com).

**Santa's Heroes Campaign is Back**



**SANTA'S HEROES  
HOLIDAY DRIVE  
ADDISON POLICE & FIRE**

The Addison Police and Fire Department Santa's Heroes Holiday Drive 2021 is officially underway, and they are asking for the community's help. With children ranging from the ages of 2-14 within Town who are in need of gifts on Christmas day, your donations are crucial to making this holiday drive successful. This year we are requesting your participation to collect gift cards from local businesses instead of toys. Gift cards will give the Police and Fire Departments the ability to make personalized purchases for specific families in need. Some families might need toys but also more essential items, food, clothes, etc.

All donations can be dropped off in the lobby of the Addison Police Department, 4799 Airport Parkway by Friday, December 10.

## RSVP for the Addison Resident Holiday Open House Before November 23



The Addison City Council invites Addison residents to a holiday celebration on **Sunday, December 5** from 10am - 1pm at Addison Circle Park. Enjoy Christmas music, photos with Santa, a holiday marketplace, activities for children, and more. Each adult will receive a complimentary Addison ornament, and all registered attendees can enjoy a provided meal. Admission is free, however, guests must RSVP online by November 23 in order to receive their complimentary meal and ornament. Those who miss the deadline may still attend and enjoy the festivities. For more information and to RSVP, visit [AddisonTexas.net/Holiday2021](https://myemail.constantcontact.com/Here-s-your-Weekly-Update-from-the-Town-of-Addison--11-12-21.html?soid=1130528633684&aid=XSx-rMObprc).

## 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](http://www.addisontexas.net): Find alerts and updates on the homepage and department-specific updates on department pages
- [www.addisontexas.net/covid19](http://www.addisontexas.net/covid19): Find specific COVID-19 updates and resources
- [www.addisontexas.net/Midway](http://www.addisontexas.net/Midway): Find information on the Midway Road Revitalization Project and subscribe for project email and text updates
- [www.addisonalert.com](http://www.addisonalert.com): Get alerts about severe weather and other emergencies in the Town of Addison, as well as register to receive updates on Town programs

#### 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](mailto:marketing@addisontx.gov).

### 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

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

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