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## A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

February 26, 2021

Council Update

COVID-19 Update



On Thursday, February 25, Dallas County reported 488 new confirmed COVID-19 cases. Dallas County Health and Human Services is now reporting a total cumulative number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Addison at 1542 as of Thursday, February 23.

At a press conference on Tuesday, February 23 with Judge Clay Jenkins, Parkland Center for Clinical Innovation (PCCI) CEO Steve Miff shared that [PCCI forecasts](#) that Dallas County is on track to have 80 percent of the county residents at levels of COVID-19 “herd immunity” by early summer.

PCCI’s analysis, as of February 22, indicates that the county has already reached 44 percent of the 1.9 million adult residents of Dallas County as either recovered from COVID-19 or in the process of receiving their full COVID-19 vaccine. That includes 922,460 COVID-19 confirmed and presumed infected and recovered, and 270,642 residents who have received their first (154,766) and second (115,875) vaccine shot.

The inclement weather has been impacting the hours at vaccine hubs, so please check [Dallas County's website here for updates](#). Dallas County is now encouraging everyone interested in receiving a vaccination to [register here](#).

You can visit the state's [Vaccine Availability Map here](#) to see if your local pharmacy is on the list of vaccine providers.

#### **Dallas County**

- Vaccine Registration Hotline: 469-749-9900 (*Monday-Friday, 8am to 5pm, registration assistance available in English and Spanish*) or 1-855-IMMUNE9
- [Register online](#)

#### **Denton County**

- Register by phone: 940-349-2585
- [Register online](#)

#### **Tarrant County**

- Register by phone: 817-248-6299
- [Register online](#)

#### **Collin County**

- [Register online](#)

#### **Garland Health Department**

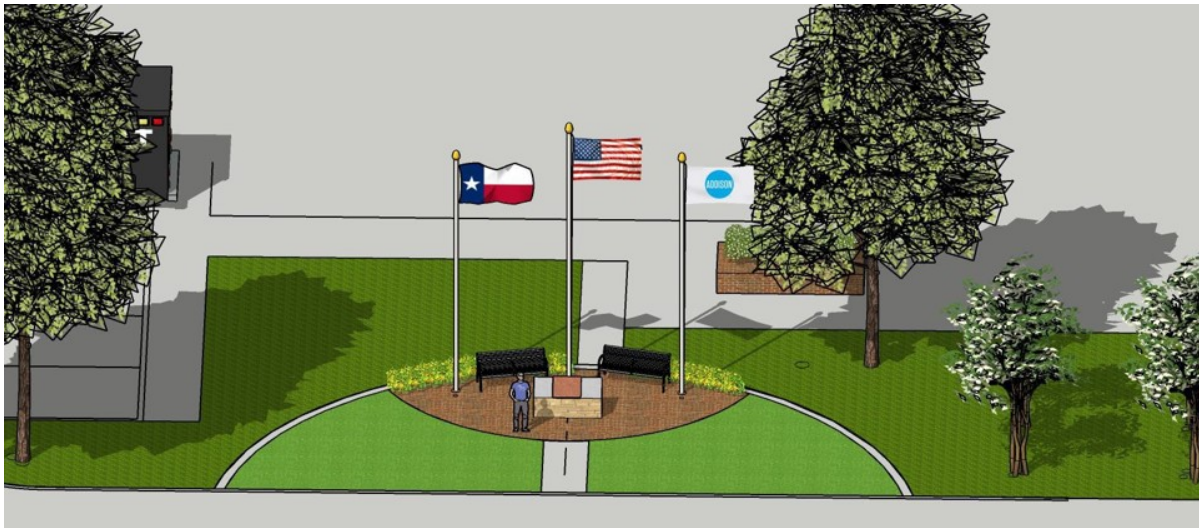
- [Register online](#)
- The Garland Health Department (GHD) is collecting names of persons to register for the COVID-19 vaccine waiting-list. Vaccination events will be scheduled as additional vaccine supply is received.

#### **Allen Fire Department**

- [Register Online](#)

Find additional vaccine information on the Town's website [here](#).

## **Council Considers Public Safety Recognition Options**

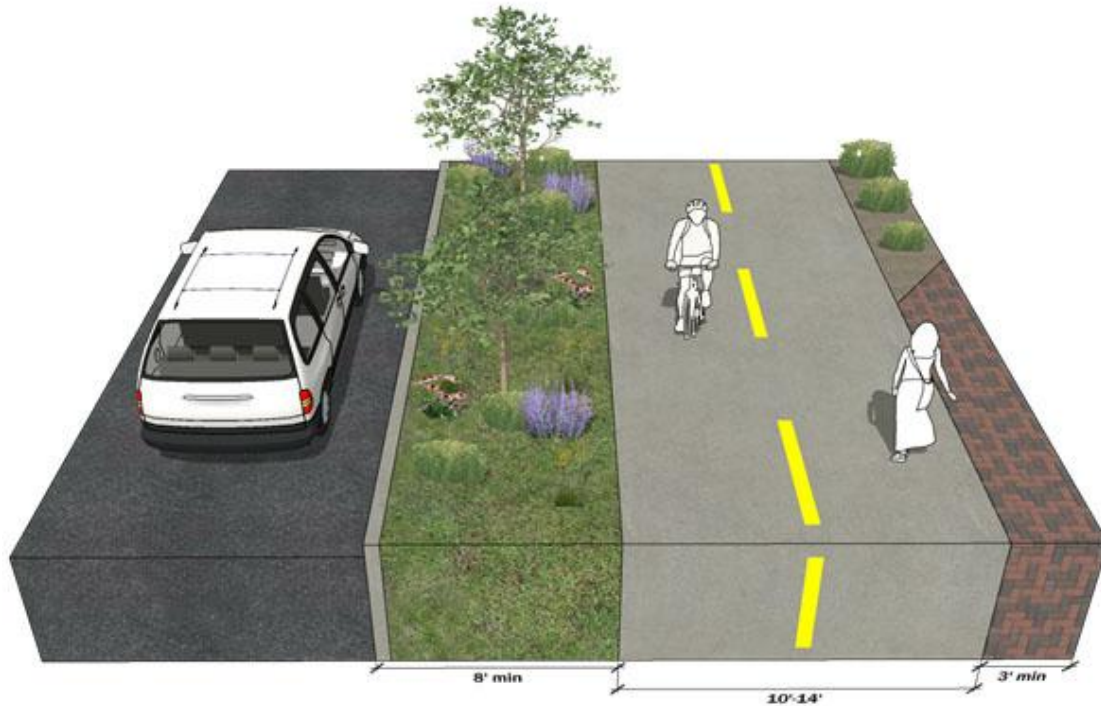


[At its October 13, 2020 meeting](#), the City Council discussed ways to honor Addison Police Officer Ronnie Cox who was killed in the line of duty on December 15, 1986. Based on direction from Council at that meeting, Parks and Recreation Director Janna Tidwell developed both short-term and long-term solutions that she shared with Council at its February 23 meeting. The short-term solution, which Council directed staff to move forward with, includes creating a small plaza at the Addison Police Department that would align with the Liberty Bell Plaza located across the street at the Fire Station and feature a plaque for Officer Cox similar to plaques displayed in other parks.

The long-term solution involves creating a steering committee with representatives from the Addison Arbor Foundation and Addison Police, Fire, and Parks that would issue a national call for art asking artists to submit proposals for a public art installation. The committee would select two to three site locations the artists could consider for their proposed installation and then select two to three finalists to be paid a small stipend to expand, develop and present their concepts further. The committee would recommend finalists for Council consideration and approval. Once approved, the Town would enter into a contract agreement with the artist for the commissioning of the artwork and installation. Council gave staff direction to move forward with this long-term solution and discussed a budget range of \$100,000 - \$200,000 for the project.

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

## **Draft Trails Master Plan Presented to Council**



On February 13, 2020 Council approved a contract with Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. (MIG) to develop the City-Wide Trails Master Plan for the Town of Addison. On April 14, 2020, Council appointed a Trails Master Plan Advisory Committee and those members have advised and provided feedback throughout the four phases of the process. Community input was a key component in the development of the plan so MIG provided several opportunities for residents to share feedback through questionnaires, virtual community visioning workshops, and pop-up events.

At the February 23, 2021 meeting, MIG presented a [draft report of the plan](#) to Council. Some of the comprehensive recommendations of the plan include:

- Improvements to existing trails
- Integration with Master Transportation Plan
- Proactive planning in developing and redeveloping areas
- Creation of nested loops
- Enhancement of regional connectivity

The report will be finalized and brought back to Council to consider for adoption at a future Council Meeting.

You can [watch the Council's Trails Master Plan discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#) and [the draft report of the plan here](#).

### In-Person Town Meeting Scheduled for April 5

At its February 23 meeting, the City Council discussed holding the April 5 Town Meeting in person, but also streaming it for residents who would prefer to watch from home. Town staff is exploring location options since the Addison Conference Centre has been closed for the last year due to COVID-19. As soon as details have been finalized, the information will be posted on the Town's website and a postcard will be mailed to all residents.

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

## Addison Nominates Bank of America as an Enterprise Project

Bank of America, located at 16001 Dallas Parkway in Addison, is Addison's largest private employer with 2,200 employees. At its February 23 meeting, the City Council passed a resolution supporting Bank of America's second request to be nominated as a Texas Enterprise Zone Project to the Office of the Governor Economic Development & Tourism through the Texas Economic Development Bank.

In 2020 the company was approved by the State of Texas as a Texas Enterprise Zone Project for a \$7 million capital improvement renovation of their facility. As part of the first application, the company agreed to create an additional 10 new full-time jobs and retain 490 full-time jobs in their global technology and operations center to support the bank's global operations.

As part of the second nomination, Bank of America is investing an additional \$8.5 million toward their facility in Addison. The company will consolidate several operations from other Texas locations to Addison and bring those additional positions to the community.

The Texas Enterprise Zone Program is a state-supported and managed incentive program to encourage private investment and job creation in economically distressed areas or for companies who employ individuals from economically distressed areas. If selected by the State of Texas, the company would qualify for up to \$1,250,000 in-state sales and use tax refunds on the renovation of their location in Addison.

There is no impact to the Town of Addison aside from the increase in value of the property after it is renovated. As part of the application process, the Town of Addison was required to hold a public hearing and pass a resolution supporting the project. Only two Addison companies have been approved in the past for Texas Enterprise Zone designation including Mary Kay Cosmetics and Bank of America.

You can [watch the Council's Enterprise Zone discussion here](#) and [read a draft of the letter here](#).

## Addison Finance Department Presents Quarterly Report to Council

At the February 23 City Council Meeting, Chief Financial Officer Steven Glickman presented the Council with the Quarterly Financial Report for the financial performance for the first quarter for Fiscal Year 2021 (October 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020). Key highlights for the first quarter include:

- General Fund revenue totaled \$9.3 million which is 24.1 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- General Fund expenditures totaled \$8.6 million which is 21.9 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- Sales tax collections totaled \$3.4 million which is 27.6 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- The Hotel Fund had revenue of \$259 thousand and expenditures of \$772 thousand which are lower compared to historical averages due to the Conference Centre being closed in FY2021.
- Performing Arts expenditures are at 69.2 percent due to the full payment of the Water Tower Theatre grant.

- Special Events revenues totaled zero percent and expenses totaled 20.6 percent of the fiscal year budget because of the timing of events.
- Airport Fund operating revenue totaled \$1.4 million or 26.3 percent and operating expenditures totaled \$881 thousand or 15.9 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- Utility Fund operating revenue totaled \$2.3 million or 16.7 percent and expenditures totaled \$1.9 million or 13.1 percent of the fiscal year budget.
- Stormwater Fund revenue and expenditures are in line with historical averages.

The Quarterly Investment Report for Quarter 1 of Fiscal Year 2021, which is prepared in accordance with state law and the Town's Financial Policies, was also provided to Council informational purposes.

You can [watch Council's Quarterly Financial Report discussion here](#), [read the presentation here](#), the [Quarterly Financial Report here](#), and the [Quarterly Investment Report here](#).

## Around Addison

### Residents without Insurance Can Apply to FEMA for Assistance

#### START YOUR RECOVERY PROCESS

**1**  
Take photos of your damaged home and belongings.

**2**  
Make a list of damaged or lost items.

**3**  
Save yourself time. If you have insurance, you must file a claim with your insurance company. If you do not have insurance, skip to step 4.

**4**  
3 Ways To Apply  
 • Online [DisasterAssistance.gov](http://DisasterAssistance.gov)  
 • Through the FEMA app  
 • Call: (800) 621-3362  
 TTY: (800) 242-7585



**Special Note:** FEMA cannot provide assistance for losses that are covered by insurance.

In the wake of last week's storms, the White House approved a Major Disaster Declaration in 77 Texas counties including Dallas County. Individuals who sustained losses due to the winter storms and do not have insurance can now apply for federal assistance. If your property was damaged in one of the designated counties and you don't have insurance, apply for assistance now:

- Visit: [www.disasterassistance.gov](http://www.disasterassistance.gov)
- Call: 800-621-3362 (TTY: 800-462-7585)
- Download: FEMA App
- Learn more: [fema.gov/disaster/4586](http://fema.gov/disaster/4586)

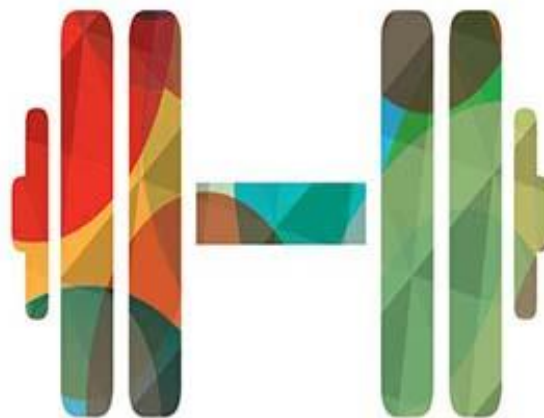
### Texas Division of Emergency Management Asking Texans to Complete Damage Report



Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas Division of Emergency Management are encouraging Texans to complete the Self Reporting Damage Survey to help the state identify damages across Texas and help emergency management officials gain an understanding of damages that occurred during the recent winter weather. This data is also needed to provide information to FEMA and highlight the need for federal disaster assistance for individuals. Forms are available both for residential and commercial properties.

The voluntary survey, available in both English and Spanish, can be accessed by visiting: [www.TDEM.texas.gov/warm](http://www.TDEM.texas.gov/warm) or by scanning the QR code above.

### Addison Athletic Club Fitness Wing Closure



The Athletic Club will be performing maintenance on the fitness wing flooring from February 26 to March 8. Unfortunately, this work will require us to close the entire fitness wing and walking track.

During this time, we encourage members to use the flex zone fitness area or aerobic equipment that are located throughout the building. We apologize for any inconvenience, but this routine maintenance is essential in prolonging the life of the flooring in the fitness wing.

## WaterTower Theatre Announces First In-Person Show



WaterTower Theatre announced this week that its first in-person production will be the regional premiere of Simon Stephens groundbreaking play *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time* on July 14 – July 25. It will be followed by the classic masterpiece by Lorraine Hansberry, *A Raisin in the Sun* on September 1 – September 12. Both productions will have an alternative digital viewing option for those unable to attend in person. For more information, [visit www.watertowrtheatre.org/](http://www.watertowrtheatre.org/).

## 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).

### 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:

<b>CORONAVIRUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● FEVER</li> <li>● COUGH</li> <li>● SHORTNESS OF BREATH</li> <li>● SYMPTOMS APPEAR 2-14 DAYS AFTER EXPOSURE</li> </ul>
<b>FLU</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● FEVER</li> <li>● COUGH</li> <li>● SORE THROAT</li> <li>● HEADACHES</li> <li>● FATIGUE (TIREDNESS)</li> <li>● MUSCLE OR BODY ACHES</li> <li>● RUNNY OR STUFFY NOSE</li> </ul>
<b>ALLERGIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● SNEEZING</li> <li>● ITCHY, RUNNY OR BLOCKED NOSE</li> <li>● ITCHY, RED, WATERING EYES</li> </ul>

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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