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# A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

**April 23, 2021** 

**Council Update** 

**COVID-19 Vaccine Update** 

## WHAT YOU CAN DO ONCE YOU HAVE BEEN FULLY VACCINATED

Activity	
Visit inside a home or private setting without a mask with other fully vaccinated people of any age	$\otimes$
Visit inside a home or private setting without a mask with one household of unvaccinated people who are not at risk for severe illness	$\otimes$
Travel domestically without a pre- or post-travel test	$\otimes$
Travel domestically without quarantining after travel	$\otimes$
Travel internationally without a pre-travel test depending on destination	$\otimes$
Travel internationally without quarantining after travel	$\otimes$
Visit indoors, without a mask, with people at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19	<b>Ø</b>
Attend medium or large gatherings	Ø



cdc.gov/coronavirus

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), COVID-19 vaccines are effective at protecting you from getting sick and people who have been fully vaccinated can start to do some things that they had stopped doing because of the pandemic. These <u>CDC recommendations</u> can help you make decisions about daily activities after you are fully vaccinated. They are not intended for healthcare settings.

You can schedule same-day or next-day first-dose vaccination appointments of Pfizer and Moderna vaccines in Dallas County here or by calling 855-466-8639.

Find links for additional vaccine providers on the Town's website <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **Council Approves Brokers, Dealers, and Financial Institutions for Town Investments**

The Town of Addison previously contracted with Hilltop Securities Asset Management (HSAM) to provide investment advisory services. As the Town's investment advisor, HSAM would propose investment transactions for the Town to consider from a list of approved brokers, dealers, and financial institutions which they were responsible for performing due diligence on and maintaining. During the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2021, Town staff notified HSAM of our intention to terminate the investment advisory contract effective April 1, 2021 and perform those services with existing Town staff who possess the necessary Public Funds Investment Act training and experience in the management of municipal funds. The cost of the investment advisory contract was based on the average size of the Town's investment portfolio and totaled approximately \$70,000 annually. In addition to the savings. Town staff believes the portfolio will be managed more effectively utilizing staff resources.

The Town's Fiscal Year 2021 Investment Policy requires the City Council to annually adopt the list of recommended qualified brokers, dealers, and financial institutions vetted by Town staff, which they did at the April 13 meeting. Since the list was previously maintained by HSAM it was not required to be approved by the Council.

You can watch Council's investment discussion here and read the resolution here.

#### **Council Adopts Standards of Care Ordinance for Addison Athletic Club Youth Camps**

At the April 13 meeting, Council held a public hearing before adopting this year's ordinance that defines standards of care for all youth programs for children ages 5 through 13 at the Addison Athletic Club.

The Texas Human Resources Code requires that each year Addison adopt an ordinance establishing minimum standards for operating youth programs which include program staff hiring guidelines, enrollment guidelines, discipline, health, safety, and more. The ordinance also addresses programming and providing activities that promote emotional, social, and mental growth.

The Addison Athletic Club not only complies with the minimum standards required in the state's ordinance, but exceeds some of the established standards. Some examples include:

- Cleaning and sanitation.
- · Video monitoring throughout the facility and in all child care areas.
- Day Camp Restroom Policy which requires campers to use the single-use child care restroom or upstairs single-use restrooms. This prevents campers from utilizing the locker rooms. This policy also requires campers changing into swimsuits to use the outdoor pool restroom prior to the pool being open to the general public.

You can watch the Council's discussion here.

Early Voting for May 1 Election Runs Through April 27



Early voting for the Saturday, May 1, 2021 Joint Election began Monday, April 19 and ends Tuesday, April 27. Visit <u>www.dallascountyvotes.org</u> to view a complete sample ballot and find more details. Any Dallas County qualified voter may vote in person at any of the fiftyeight early voting locations, including Addison Fire Station #1 at Addison Road and Airport Parkway.

Addison voters will be electing three Council members. You can find more election information on the Town's website.

## **Around Addison**

#### Pat Bond Recognized for Donating More Than 1750 Volunteer Hours



On Friday, April 16, Town Hall staff recognized volunteer Pat Bond for giving over 1750 volunteer hours to the Town of Addison! Pat has volunteered for more than ten years and has served in many departments including Special Events and Development Services. Pat is often assigned to special projects and currently volunteers weekly at Town Hall. She has 18 years of experience in city government/municipality work and now enjoys sharing her knowledge with our staff and volunteers. Pat is also a Certified Travel Ambassador and helped the Town for many years at our Visit Addison location.

We calculated that Pat has made more than 850 round trips to Addison during her tenure. We can count on her dependability and dedication. Congratulations, Pat, and thank you for sharing your time and your talents with Addison.

#### Join in the Earth Day Scavenger Hunt





In honor of Earth Day, Addison invites you to join us on a scavenger hunt! Follow the eight clues found here, to discover eight letters hidden in some of your favorite spots in town. Take a photo with each letter and then arrange those photos in a collage that spells out EARTH DAY. Once your collage is complete, upload it to this form. The first 15 submissions win a gardening kit or a gift card! Signs will be in place through Sunday, April 25 and the deadline to submit your collage is 5pm on April 29. For more information and to download the clues, click here.

**Contactless Recycling Event A Big Success** 









On April 17, Addison celebrated Earth Day and Sustainability Day with a contactless recycling event. Over a three-hour period, we had more than 150 cars drive through the Addison Service Center parking lot to drop off shredding, recyclables, and food donations for Metrocrest Services. We also gave away 50 tree saplings and nearly 100 t-shirts. Thank you to everyone who joined us.

#### **Fiesta Noche Attracts Record Crowds**





Addison held its first Addison After Dark event since the COVID-19 pandemic began more than a year ago on Saturday, April 17. More than 1,300 people came out to Addison Circle Park for a Fiesta Noche complete with street tacos, mariachis, dancing, and much more.

Boots, Brews, and BBQ will be the next Addison After Dark event on May 15. Get all the details at AddisonAfterDark.com.

#### Addison Hosts First Corporate Field Day on May 7



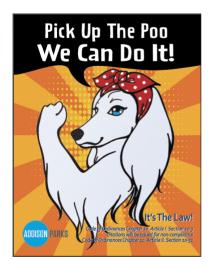
It's time for a little healthy competition between Addison businesses! Has your team been working remotely or would they benefit from a day of team building? Addison Outdoors Corporate Field Day will take place May 7 in Addison Circle Park. It is the perfect opportunity to create true team spirit, heighten collaboration, highlight leadership ability, develop new skills, build trust, cultivate camaraderie, and bring some fun back to the workplace while benefiting Make-A-Wish North Texas.

Teams will compete in a variety of events from cornhole to giant Jenga to tricycle racing. You win points for games, but also for donating to Make-A-Wish. Get all the details and register on the Town's website.

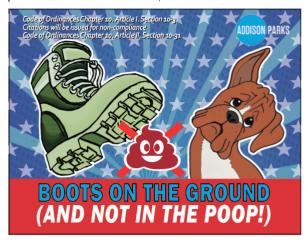
#### **Maintaining Addison Parks is Everyone's Job**











Have you seen the new signs in Addison's Parks reminding pet owners to do their "doody" by picking up after their pets? Each sign has a fact on the back explaining the impact of pet waste on the environment. Not only does it attract rats and parasites, but stormwater carries pet waste pollutants directly into area streams, rivers, and lakes.

The Parks and Recreation Department is doing its part to maintain our parks too, including the very popular dog parks. The Town closes each of the Town's dog parks one day a week for overall turf health and for weekly maintenance which may include fertilizer / herbicide application, soil aeration, repair work, and equipment maintenance. For the safety of your pet, yourself, and the dog park, please do not enter the park if the gates are locked or signage is placed on the gates identifying the park as closed.

Parks staff also closes the dog parks immediately after wet conditions to prevent damage to the turf and to allow the soil to dry

We have created a page on the website to replace the Dog Hotline that will list the status of the dog parks. When a dog park is closed, the new signs will have a QR code that will direct to the website so you can get more information.

Thank you for your help making Addison a great place to live, work, and play.

### **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 departmentspecific updates on department pages
- www.addistontexas.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
- 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.





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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