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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

September 17, 2021

Council Update

Council Approves Fiscal Year 2021 Budget and Tax Rate

Following the second round of public hearings at its September 14 meeting, the City Council approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 budget and adopted a tax rate of \$0.614660 per \$100 of assessed value, which exceeds the no-new revenue tax rate and will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for the Town from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year. Of the total tax rate, \$0.441109 is dedicated to maintenance and operations, which is the same rate as FY 2021 for maintenance and operations, and \$0.173551 is dedicated to debt service payments. The debt service portion of the tax rate is increasing as a result of the planned issuance of General Obligation Bonds that were approved by voters in the 2012 and 2019 Bond Elections.

Revenues for all funds total \$85 million, an increase of \$6.4 million compared to FY 2021. Primary revenue sources are property tax (\$30 million), sales tax (\$13.7 million), hotel occupancy tax (\$4.2 million), and utility service fees (\$14.3 million). The new budget takes effect on October 1 and includes the following significant items:

- Code Enforcement Officer (\$83,508 recurring and \$38,000 one-time costs)
- Long Range Planning Services (\$140,000)
- Facilities Study Phase 2 (\$125,000)
- Facilities Maintenance Funds (\$350,000)
- Belt Line and Addison Road Maintenance (\$1.38 million)
- Street Maintenance and Repairs (\$600,000)
- Les Lacs Court Conversion (\$141,000)
- Trash and Projects Crew (\$29,000 recurring and \$80,000 one-time costs)
- Utility Repair Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract (\$150,000)
- Vitruvian Park Erosion (\$12,000 recurring and \$73,000 one-time costs)

The FY 2022 proposed five-year capital improvements budget totals \$47.2 million. Significant projects include:

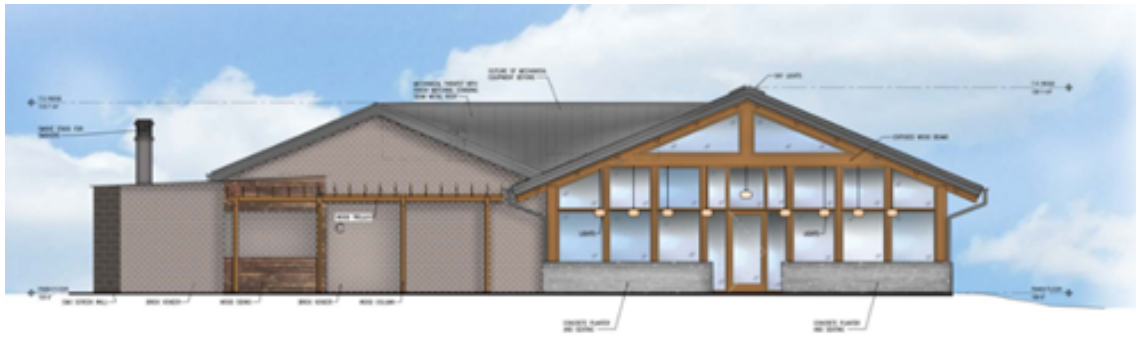
- Midway Road Reconstruction (\$15.8 million)
- Vitruvian West Streetscape and Bella Lane Extension (\$2.2 million)
- HVAC Replacements (\$0.7 million)
- Roof Replacements (\$2.4 million)
- Keller Springs Reconstruction (\$8 million)
- Addison Athletic Club Locker Room Reconfiguration (\$1.1 million)
- Addison Athletic Club Pool Modernization (\$0.7 million)
- Traffic Signal and ADA Improvements (\$1.5 million)
- Lake Forest Drive Utility Improvements (\$1.2 million)
- Rawhide Creek Basin Improvements - Les Lacs Area (\$1.1 million)
- Bravo/Golf Taxiway Improvements (\$7.3 million)

The average residential taxpayer will pay about \$110.06 (~\$9.17 per month) more than last year, depending on their home value.



You can [watch the Council's FY 2022 budget discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#). You can [watch Council's FY 2022 tax rate discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

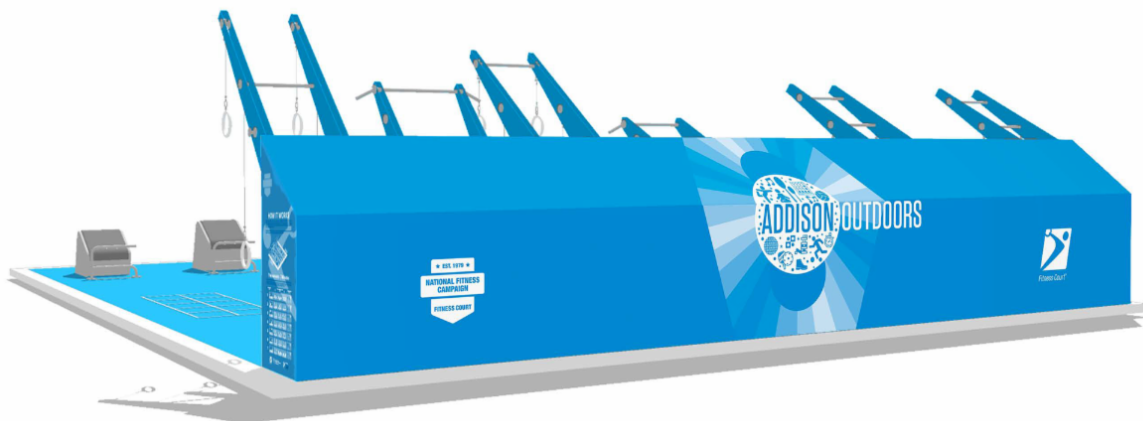
Austin-based Loro Asian Smokehouse Coming to Addison



At its September 14 meeting, the City Council approved a special use permit for Loro Asian Smokehouse who plans to build a new restaurant on the former Flying Saucer site at 14999 Montfort Drive. Loro is an Austin-based restaurant concept established by award-winning chefs Tyson Cole (Uchi and Uchiko) and Aaron Franklin (Franklin Barbecue). Its menu features grilled and smoked meats with Southeast Asian and Japanese-inspired sauces and sides, and a bar that boasts craft beer, boozy slushies, and batch cocktails. The first Loro location was established in Austin in 2018, and the second location opened earlier this summer in East Dallas. With ongoing plans to open a Houston location, Addison would be the fourth location for the Loro brand. They anticipate opening in late spring of 2022.

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

New Outdoor Fitness Court Coming to Les Lacs Park





Council approved a contract with National Fitness Campaign for an outdoor fitness court at its September 14 meeting. One of the many parks improvements approved by voters in the November 2019 Bond Election was the addition of a shaded outdoor fitness station adjacent to Les Lacs Park.

In order to select the appropriate fitness equipment for Addison, Town staff visited parks in the metroplex that had outdoor fitness equipment fabricated by three different manufacturers. Staff identified the fitness court by National Fitness Campaign (NFC) as the most durable equipment with the most fitness opportunities. The selected court offers a system built around 7 movements in 7 minutes and is geared towards people of all abilities. Court users may also download an app that offers free workouts created by trainers.

Four color/graphic options for the fitness court were presented to Addison residents during a public input meeting held on August 25 and residents who did not attend the meeting had the opportunity to provide their preference through an online survey. The community overwhelmingly selected Option 1 which was the Cyan Color and Standard Graphic (pictured above).

Addison Parks staff recently learned about, applied for, and were awarded a \$25,000 National Fitness Grant to help offset the cost of the station. Addison was selected as one of twenty cities in Texas to receive the grant.

The pad will be built as part of the Redding Trail Bond Improvement project which will go out to bid in November. We anticipate the project will be complete and equipment installation will begin in February of 2022. Once the pad is constructed and the concrete has cured it will take 2 weeks to install the equipment.

You can [watch the Council's Fitness Court discussion here](#) and [review the presentation here](#).

Upcoming Public Hearings

The following public hearings will take place at the September 21 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. If you would like to comment virtually during a public hearing, you can either email your statement to Jenifer Tedrick at jtedrick@addisontx.gov by 3pm the day of the meeting or [follow the instructions listed here](#) to participate by audio conferencing.

Case 1838-Z/3820 Belt Line Road. Hold a Public Hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance amending Planned Development (PD) District Ordinance O20-54 for a 2.034-acre property located at 3820 Belt Line Road, to modify minimum lot size requirements and to establish future cross-access requirements.

Case 1831-Z/4150 Kellway Circle: Hold a Public Hearing on a recommendation regarding an ordinance changing the zoning on a 2.99-acre property located at 4150 Kellway Circle, from Industrial-1 (I-1) to Planned Development (PD) District with modified I-1 District Regulations.

Around Addison

Addison Fire Department Hosted 9/11 Ceremony





The Addison Fire Department commemorated the 20th anniversary of 9/11 with a ceremony on Saturday, September 11 at Addison Fire Station 1. Residents joined members of the Police and Fire Departments along with Mayor Joe Chow; Mayor Pro Tempore Guillermo Quintanilla; Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore Paul Walden; Council Members Tom Braun, Lori Ward, and Marlin Willesen; and City Manager Wes Pierson for this thoughtful remembrance.

Addison Oktoberfest Officially Opens



On Thursday, September 16, Mayor Joe Chow was joined by Mayor Pro Guillermo Quintanilla, Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore Paul Walden, and Council Members Tom Braun, Kathryn Wheeler, and Marlin Willesen to tap a ceremonial keg to officially kick off Addison Oktoberfest 2021. The event, which features four days of authentic German food, music and bier, runs through Sunday, September 19

Dance and sing along with polka bands and other traditional entertainers on three stages. The famous Partyhalle has transitioned to an open-air tent with over 30,000 square feet of covered fun, a large dance floor, and great views of the elevated stage. Also new for 2021, the Kleinhalle offers unique beverages from Paulaner (the same bier served at the original Bavarian festival) and Cupcake Vineyards, live entertainment, and a special menu in air-conditioned bliss!

Guests ages 21+ are encouraged to compete in various bier games throughout the weekend, while all ages can find something special in the Marktplatz or at the Festival Merch tent. Don't forget your dirndl and lederhosen – dressing for the occasion is enthusiastically encouraged!

Sunday is free admission but skip the lines on Friday and Saturday by purchasing your tickets online. Get all the details and buy tickets at www.AddisonOktoberfest.com.

Addison Laugh Fest is Coming to the Addison Theatre Centre



Howl with laughter at the antics of some of DFW's best improv and sketch comedians at Addison Laugh Fest, held at the Addison Theatre Centre on September 24-25. The weekend features a series of shows and a workshop for budding improv comedians. There is even a show that will leave the whole family in stitches with a student matinee that is appropriate for all ages. The featured shows take place at 8pm each evening, bringing multiple comedy groups to the stage. Both nights are hosted by comic and storyteller, Rory Scholl. Learn more and buy your tickets at VisitAddison.com/LaughFest.

Sam's Club Special Area Study Community Open House

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The second Community Open House for the Sam's Club Special Area Study will take place on Thursday, September 23 at 6pm at the Addison Athletic Club. During this open house, the Town will present the draft development concepts and strategic framework created by the project advisory committee, staff, and consultants. We invite you to learn about these proposals and share your feedback. If you are unable to make the meeting you are welcome to participate through an online survey that will be available from September 24 - October 7.

Notice Yellow Granules at Our Parks?



The Addison Parks and Recreation Department has been receiving questions about the yellow granules or pellets people are seeing in the turf at our parks lately. These are corn gluten that the Parks Department uses around all playgrounds, lawn areas where kids play, and in dog parks. Corn gluten is non-toxic and is often used as a filler in some pet foods. It is also an organic pre-emergent herbicide that helps prevent weed seed germination.

Concrete Placement Begins in Midway/Belt Line Intersection



The next step in the Midway Road Revitalization Project is the placement of concrete in sections of the Belt Line / Midway intersection which will happen in phases. The first concrete placement phase will occur in the evening hours of Monday, September 20 and Tuesday, September 21. To minimize the impact of concrete trucks on traffic in the area, work will begin at 7pm on both nights.

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. Thank you for your patience as we strive to make Addison a better 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 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
- 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.

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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