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**September 9, 2022**

## Council Update

### Council Holds First Public Hearing on Tax Rate and Budget

At a Special Meeting on Tuesday, September 6, the City Council held the first of two Public Hearings on the [Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2023 tax rate and budget](#). Following a [discussion](#) at the regular Council meeting on August 23 regarding cost-of-living adjustments for Addison retirees, Council directed staff to set the proposed tax rate at \$0.609822 per \$100 of valuation which is less than the FY22 tax rate of \$0.614660 per \$100 valuation.

The new average taxable home value for the Town of Addison is \$382,732, which would generate a tax bill of \$2,333.98 with the proposed tax rate. Last year, the average taxable home value was \$347,576 which generated a tax bill of \$2,136.41. The proposed new rate would require the average taxpayer to pay approximately \$197.57 more than last year or approximately \$16.46 more per month. Individual taxes may increase or decrease depending on the change in the taxable value of each property. Of the total tax rate, approximately \$0.45 is dedicated to maintenance and operations, and approximately \$0.16 is dedicated to debt service payments. The debt service portion of the tax rate was anticipated to increase as a result of the planned issuance of General Obligation Bonds that was approved by voters in the 2012 and 2019 Bond Elections. However, the financial impacts of the General Obligation bond issuances this year were less than the projections included in the materials provided to the public as part of the Bond Election process.

A calculation of Addison's no-new-revenue tax rate, voter-approval tax rate was published in *The Dallas Morning News* on August 26, 2022, but is also available on the [Town's website here](#). There will be another Public Hearing on the tax rate and the budget during

the September 13 City Council meeting, after which the Council will consider the adoption of both items.

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

## Upcoming Public Hearings

The following Public Hearings will take place at the September 13 City Council Meeting which will take place at 7:30pm at the Addison TreeHouse. Work Sessions are frequently held prior to meetings. The full agenda will be posted [on the Town's website](#) three days prior to the meeting.

Case 1853-SUP/4580 Belt Line Road (Toasted Yolk Cafe): Hold a Public Hearing on an Ordinance approving a Special Use Permit for property located at 4580 Belt Line Road that is currently zoned Local Retail to allow a restaurant with the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption.

Case 1850-Z/3820 Belt Line Road (Salad & Go). Hold a Public Hearing on an Ordinance rezoning a 2.034-acre property located at 3820 Belt Line Road from a Planned Development District with modified Belt Line District Standards to a new Planned Development District with modified Local Retail District standards and a Special Use Permit to allow the development of a drive-thru-only restaurant.

Case 1854-SUP/3855 Belt Line Road (La Pasha). Hold a Public Hearing on an Ordinance approving a Special Use Permit for property located at 3855 Belt Line Road that is currently zoned Planned Development, through Ordinance Nos. 092-037 and 094-066, to allow a restaurant.

2023 Fiscal Year Budget. Hold a Public Hearing on an Ordinance approving and adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023.

2023 Fiscal Year Tax Rate. Hold a Public Hearing on an Ordinance to levy taxes and to adopt the tax rate of \$0.609822 for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023.

## Around Town

### Premier Martial Arts Officially Opens



The Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce held an official ribbon-cutting ceremony for Premier Martial Arts on Thursday, September 8. Deputy City Manager John Crawford, Economic Development and Tourism Director Orlando Campos, and Economic Development Manager Michael Doherty joined Metrocrest Chamber President Hayden Austin and a number of Chamber ambassadors to welcome this new business to Addison. Located in the Tom Thumb shopping center at 14380 Marsh Lane, Premier Martial Arts' unique curriculum combines the styles of Karate, Tae Kwon Do, Krav Maga, and Kickboxing to develop students ages 3 to 93 to be well-rounded martial artists. Learn more and register for a free introductory class at [www.premiermartialartsaddison.com](http://www.premiermartialartsaddison.com).

### Coyotes Spotted Around Town



The Town of Addison Animal Control Department has recently received several calls about coyote sightings along the Redding Trail area. While coyotes can seem foreign in an urban environment, they are in fact not new or unique to Addison. Coyotes are in the Addison area year round and it is not uncommon to see an increase in coyote sightings during the winter months. The Town relies on the practices and advice of the Texas Department of Parks & Wildlife regarding how to address coyotes and other urban wildlife.

According to the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife, the behavior of healthy coyotes is very predictable. They avoid and evade people. For coyotes to attack a human is inordinately rare. Unless there is an unhealthy coyote, the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife does not recommend trapping and relocating of coyotes. They recommend public education to inform and empower people to take steps to coexist with coyotes and other urban wildlife.

If there is an unhealthy coyote present (one that is not acting in conformance with its predictable behavior) then the Texas Department of Parks & Wildlife will work with the Town to remove them. Should our Animal Control Department receive confirmed reports of dangerous behavior of any animal, they will take immediate steps to mitigate the public risk. The presence of a coyote (or other wild animals) alone is not sufficient to consider the animal dangerous, especially if it is behaving in conformance with its predictable behavior.

The Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife provides the following common-sense precautions people can take to manage coyotes:

- Do not feed coyotes (either intentionally or unintentionally).
- Keep pet food and water inside.
- Keep garbage securely stored, especially if it has to be put on the curb for collection; use tight-locking or bungee-cord-wrapped trashcans that are not easily opened. Feeding urban wildlife unintentionally means leaving out trash, tossing out food scraps, leaving out pet food.
- Keep compost piles securely covered; correct composting never includes animal matter like bones or fat, which can draw coyotes even more quickly than decomposing vegetable matter.
- Keep pets inside, confined securely in a kennel or covered exercise yard, or within the close presence of an adult.
- Walk pets on a leash and accompany them outside, especially at night.

- Do not feed wildlife on the ground; keep wild bird seed in feeders designed for birds elevated or hanging above ground and clean up spilled seed from the ground; coyotes can either be drawn directly to the seed, or to the rodents drawn to the seed.
- Keep fruit trees fenced or pick up fruit that falls to the ground.
- Do not feed feral cats (domestics gone wild); this can encourage coyotes to prey on cats, as well as feed on cat food left out for them.
- Minimize clusters of shrubs, trees and other cover and food plants near buildings and children's play areas to avoid attracting rodents and small mammals that will in turn attract coyotes
- Use noise making and other scaring or hazing devices/tactics when coyotes are seen to scare them away. Portable air horns, motor vehicle horns, propane cannons, low-powered pellet guns, slingshots, raising your arms and yelling, and throwing rocks can all be effective.

Animal Control staff continue to consult the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife experts to ensure that we are following best practices and sharing the latest information.

If you have any questions, please contact Addison's Animal Control Department at [addisonanimalcontrol@addisontx.gov](mailto:addisonanimalcontrol@addisontx.gov) or 972-450-2845. They can be reached on nights and weekends by calling the non-emergency public safety number at 972-450-7156.

## WaterTower Theatre Production of Bridges of Madison County Runs Through September 11

**SPECIAL TICKET—NO REFUND**  
**IOWA STATE FAIR**  
 SEPT. 1 to SEPT. 9  
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**IN ITS WHOLE ORCHESTRA LIVE ENTIRETY**

**THE BRIDGES OF  
 MADISON  
 COUNTY**

**IN CONCERT**

FEATURING THE  
 COMPLETE SCRIPT AND SCORE

**SEPTEMBER 7 - 11 | 2022**

BOOK BY MARSHA NORMAN

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY  
 JASON ROBERT BROWN

MUSIC DIRECTED BY  
 VONDA K. BOWLING

**W** | WaterTower  
 Theatre

Get your tickets now for WaterTower Theatre's new production of *The Bridges of Madison County in Concert* from September 7-11 at the Addison Theatre Centre. Based on the best-selling novel, and developed by Tony Award winner Jason Robert Brown (*The Last Five Years*, *Parade*, *Songs for a New World*) and Pulitzer Prize winner Marsha Norman, *The Bridges of Madison County* captures the lyrical expanse of America's

heartland along with the yearning entangled in the eternal question, "What if...?" Winner of the 2014 Tony Award for Best Score and Orchestrations, this sweeping romance about the roads we travel, the doors we open, and the bridges we dare to cross will leave audiences breathless.

You can purchase tickets while they last on the [WaterTower Theatre's website](#).

### Doggie Splash Day Returns September 10

**DOGGIE  
SPLASH DAY**  
IT'S THE DOG DAY OF SUMMER!

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**  
**REGISTER AT THE FRONT DESK**  
**\$5 FEE PER DOG**

**SMALL DOGS**  
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

**BIG DOGS**  
10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

ALL DOGS MUST HAVE UP-TO-DATE RABIES TAG OR PROOF OF VACCINATION TO REGISTER AND ATTEND

**ADDISON ATHLETIC CLUB**

The Athletic Club outdoor pool is going to the dogs on September 10 during Doggie Splash Day. Let your pup enjoy some time in the water after the pool officially closes for the season. For the safety of our four-legged friends, times are staggered:

9:30am - 10:30am: Small dogs  
10:45am - noon: Big Dogs

All dogs must have up-to-date rabies tags or proof of vaccination to register and attend. Registration is \$5 per dog and pet owners can register at the front desk at the Club.

### Prost to 35 Years of Addison Oktoberfest!

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It is almost time to raise your steins to prost 35 years of Addison Oktoberfest. One of the most authentic and [top-ranked](#) Oktoberfest celebrations in the country returns to Addison Circle Park on September 15-18. Don't forget your dirndl and lederhosen – dressing for the occasion is enthusiastically encouraged! Get all the details and purchase tickets at [www.AddisonOktoberfest.com](http://www.AddisonOktoberfest.com).

### Park and Road Closures Required for Addison Oktoberfest

#### Park Closure

Addison Circle Park will be closed for Oktoberfest set up and tear down from Tuesday, September 13 through Monday, September 19. The Special Events Department asks that all Addison Circle Park visitors please use neighboring parks including Spruill, Bosque, Beckert, and Parkview. For more information about these parks, please visit our website at [AddisonTexas.net](http://AddisonTexas.net).



### Road Closures

- **Festival Way** from Addison Road to Quorum Drive will close on September 12 at 9am and will re-open on September 19 at 3pm.
- **Addison Circle** from Addison Road to Witt Place will close on September 12 at 9am and will re-open on September 19 at 3pm.
- **Addison Circle** from Witt Place to Beckert Park will close on September 15 at 9am and will re-open on September 18 at 6pm.
- **Spectrum Drive** from Arapaho Road to McEntire Place will close on September 15 at 9am and will re-open on September 18 at 6pm.
- **Quorum Drive** from Morris Avenue to Arapaho Road will close on September 15 at 9am and will re-open on September 18 at 6pm.
- **Witt Place** from south of the parking garage entrance/exit to Addison Circle Drive will close on September 15 at 9am and will re-open on September 18 at 6pm.
- **McEntire Place** from Quorum Drive to Lewis Place will close on September 15 at 9am and will re-open on September 18 at 6pm.

As always, if you have any questions regarding road or park closures, please feel free to contact the Special Events office at 972-450-2800. For more information on the event, please visit [AddisonOktoberfest.com](http://AddisonOktoberfest.com).

**Don't Miss this Adult Social at Lockwood Distilling**



**Addison Parks & Recreation**  
**ADULT SOCIAL**  
**Lockwood Distilling Co.**  
**Richardson, TX**

**7 PM - 8 PM · Friday, September 23**  
**506 Lockwood Dr suite A, Richardson**  
**Register at the Addison Athletic Club**  
**\$20.00 Fee**

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DISTILLING  
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TEXAS, USA

ADDISON PARKS AND RECREATION

21+

The Addison Parks and Recreation Department is hosting an Adult Social on Friday, September 23 at Lockwood Distilling Co. in Richardson from 7pm - 8pm. Grab a friend and come enjoy light appetizers and adult beverages. The fee is only \$20 and you can register at the Addison Athletic Club front desk. For more information contact Luis Ibarra at [libarra@addisontx.gov](mailto:libarra@addisontx.gov).

**Mark Your Calendar for the Public Safety Open House on October 1**



**ADDISON**

## PUBLIC SAFETY OPEN HOUSE

Hey friends! We hope you'll come out to Addison's Public Safety Open House and visit with our Fire and Police members. There will be fun for the whole family!

**SATURDAY, OCT 1, 2022**  
**10AM-12PM**



Popcorn
Cotton Candy
Bounce House
Static Displays
Glitter Tattoos

**Fire Station One, 4798 Airport Pkwy**
**Police Headquarters, 4799 Airport Pkwy**

Join the Addison Fire and Police Departments at their Public Safety Open House on Saturday, October 1 from 10am - 12pm at 4798 Airport Parkway. There will be fun for the whole family with popcorn, cotton candy, a bounce house, glitter tattoos, static displays, and demonstrations!

### 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.addisontexas.net/ClubRenovations](http://www.addisontexas.net/ClubRenovations): Find information on the Addison Athletic Club renovations 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

[Addison Website](#)

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[Community Crime Map](#)

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[Addison's PEG Channel](#)  
(channel 99 for AT&T subscribers,  
channel 16 for Spectrum subscribers)

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[Report a Problem with Addison FixIT](#)

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