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November 10, 2023

Council Updates

Public Hearings for November 14 City Council Meeting

The following Public Hearings will take place at the November 14 City Council Meeting that will take place at the Addison Conference Centre at 7:30pm. The agenda will be posted on the Town's website three days before the meeting.

- Case 1892-SUP/4875 Belt Line Road (Home2 Suites). Hold a public hearing, present, discuss, and consider action on a request to amend Special Use Permit (SUP), Ordinance No. O13-051, for property located at 4875 Belt Line Road, that is currently zoned Commercial-2 (C-2), to allow modifications to the development plan.
- Case 1893-SUP/4960 Arapaho Road (Radisson Hotel). Hold a public hearing, present, discuss, and consider action on a request to amend Special Use Permit (SUP), Ordinance No. 098-022, for property located at 4960 Arapaho Road, that is currently zoned Planned Development (PD), Ordinance No 004-048, to allow modifications to the development plan.
- Case 1897-SUP/4006 Belt Line Road, Suite 100 (Montessori Institute of North Texas). Hold a public hearing, present, discuss, and consider action on a request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) for property located at 4006 Belt Line Road, Suite 100, that is currently zoned Planned Development (PD), through Ordinance No. 460, and amended by Ordinance No. 085-003, to allow an educational institution.
- Case 1900-Z/16675 Addison Road (Phase II). Hold a public hearing, present, discuss, and consider action on a request to amend the development standards and approve a development plan for Phase II of a 12.22± acre property located at 16675 Addison Road, currently zoned Planned Development (PD), Ordinance No. 023-32, to allow for the construction of an office/warehouse development with associated site improvements.

Public Hearings for November 15 Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting

The Planning & Zoning Commission typically meets on the third Tuesday of the month. However, to accommodate the Thanksgiving holiday, the November meeting has been moved to **Wednesday, November 15**. The meeting will begin at 6pm at the Addison Conference Centre.

The following Public Hearings will take place at the November 15 meeting. The agenda will be posted on the Town's website three days before the meeting.

- 1899-SUP/14665 Midway Road, Suite 155 (Career Discovery Academy). Hold a public hearing, present, discuss, and consider action on a request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) for property located at 14665 Midway Road, Suite 155, that is currently zoned Local Retail (LR), to allow an educational institution.
- Case 1902-SUP/3795 Belt Line Road (McDonald's). Hold a public hearing, present, discuss, and consider action on a request to amend Special Use Permit (SUP), Ordinance No. 097-044, for property located at 3795 Belt Line Road, that is currently zoned Planned Development (PD), to allow modifications to the development plan.
- Case 1901-SUP/5555 Celestial Road (White Rock Chapel). Hold a public hearing, present, discuss, and consider action on a request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to allow a Religious Institution on 1.28± acres located at the northwest corner of Celestial Road and Winnwood Road (5555 Celestial Road), that is currently zoned Planned Development (PD), through Ordinance No. O91-038.

New Unified Development Code (UDC) Section Released for Review!

Addison is currently reviewing and updating its development regulations to make them clearer and ensure they align with the Town's long-term goals and vision. The draft section related to "Signs and Wireless Communication Facilities" (WCF) is now available on addisonudc.org. We encourage the community to review the draft and share their feedback by emailing udc@addisontx.gov.

The UDC Advisory Committee and project team will be meeting at the Addison Conference Centre on Wednesday, November 15 at 1:30pm to discuss the newly proposed sections. This meeting will be broadcast live and recorded for later viewing on the Town's website.

Deadline for Boards, Commissions, and Community Partners Applications is November 30

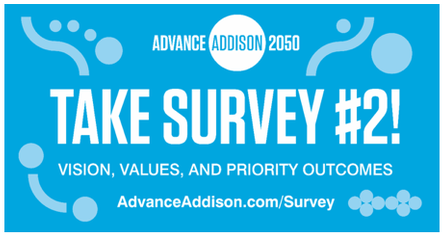
Are you interested in serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission or Board of Zoning Adjustment, or as a Community Partner? Applications for these volunteer opportunities are now available and will be accepted until 5pm on November 30.

The Council will discuss appointments at its December 12 meeting. Please direct any questions to City Secretary Irma Parker at 972-450-7017 or iparker@addisontx.gov.

Apply Here

Advance Addison 2050

New Additions! Check out these Important Advance Addison 2050 Project Updates



Take Survey #2, Vision, Values, and Priority Outcomes, on AdvanceAddison.com!

Your participation and input are valuable resources that will take our community to the next level. This survey is a critical step in the community engagement process for this plan and will cover the following topics:

- Community Perception
- Community Vision, Guiding Principles, and Desired Outcomes
- Land Use & Development Character
- Housing and Neighborhoods
- Economic Development & Revitalization
- Mobility and Connectivity
- Infrastructure, Public Amenities, and the Environment

The project team will use the input gathered from this survey to develop initial scenarios, which will be discussed and refined further in future in-person and online activities. Once a consensus vision for the future has been achieved, innovative planning strategies will be developed to guide the long-term implementation of that vision. **Your progress can be saved if you need to complete the survey in more than one sitting. It will be open through December 31.**

Watch Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) Meeting #1

The CPAC is a 25-member committee appointed by the City Council to offer feedback on strategic policy decisions proposed through the Comprehensive Plan. The first meeting was held at the Addison Conference Centre on November 1. You can view the recording here.

We are looking forward to planning Addison's future with you! Stay tuned for more updates.

Take the Survey

Public Safety Update

Now Accepting Santa's Heroes Donations

SANTA'S HEROES
HOLIDAY DRIVE
ADDISON POLICE & FIRE

The Addison Police and Fire Departments' Santa's Heroes Holiday Drive 2023 is officially underway, and we need the community's help. We welcome all forms of donations but will be hand-picking items from the donations that best suit the needs of the sponsored families. Any remaining donated items will be delivered to Metrocrest Services to help make sure the items go to those in need. Gift cards are welcomed as they give us the unique ability to make personalized purchases for specific families. Some families might need toys, but also more essential items like food, clothes, etc.

Donations can be dropped off in the lobby of the Addison Police Department, 4799 Airport Parkway through Friday, December 8. Thank you in advance for joining the Addison Police and Fire Departments in our efforts to help children in need.

If you have any questions, please contact Sergeant Brad Jones at bjones@addisontx.gov.

Around Town

Metrocrest Services Discusses Homelessness in Addison and the Region

On Monday, November 6, Metrocrest Services Director of Homeless Resources Melanie Meijering shared some statistics surrounding homelessness and provided some ways the community can help address the issue.

Facts:

- Texas ranks 5th in the country for the largest homeless population.
- Up to 78% of the U.S. population lives paycheck to paycheck and nearly half of those can't cover a $400 emergency expense.
- 20% of the homeless population is chronically homeless.
- The U.S. is short 47 million affordable housing units; Dallas County is short 20,000.
- 38.6% of sheltered homeless individuals are disabled.
- The poverty line in Dallas County is $14,880 per year for an individual adult and $29,950 for a family of four.
- 99% of people living below the poverty line are NOT homeless.
- Dallas County has 2,000 beds for 4,500 unsheltered people.

Meijering explained that homelessness typically occurs when a crisis like an accident, job loss, or mental health breakdown hits someone already living on the edge of poverty, and they don't have any family or friends that are willing or able to help or they have lost the ability to connect with that support system. In the Metrocrest area, the average number of years an individual has been homeless is 4.34. Some of the gaps in service that contribute to that timeline include obvious issues such as lack of shelter beds and affordable housing, but other issues such as access to showers and laundry and lost or stolen i.d.s are serious impediments to finding and keeping jobs.

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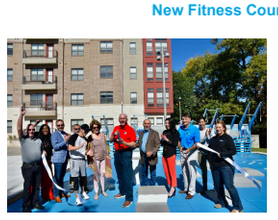
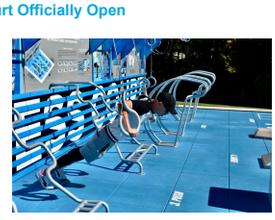
New Fitness Court Officially Open



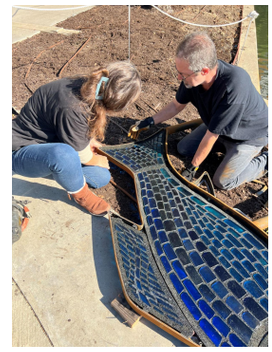


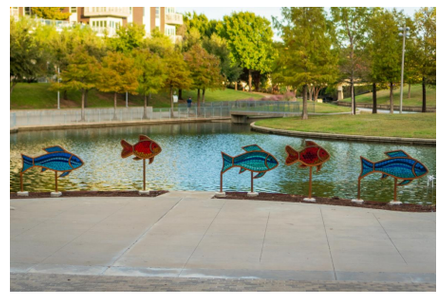
On Tuesday, November 7, Addison held a ribbon cutting to launch the new fitness court at Vitruvian Park. Mayor Bruce Arfsten, Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore Guillermo Quintanilla, and Council Members Nancy Craig and Marlin Willesen came to celebrate the launch and see a demonstration presented by Train with Trey Bootcamps.

Located on the west side of Vitruvian Park between Park Road and the Vitruvian Trail, the Fitness Court is designed by fitness experts to deliver a powerful seven-movement workout program. You can download the Fitness Court App to act as a coach-in-your pocket, available on iOS and Android.

Thanks to UDR, the National Fitness Campaign, and the Texas Recreation and Park Society for helping make this possible!

Something Fishy is Going on At Vitruvian Pond





On Friday, November 3, Dallas artist Pascale M. Pryor installed *Quintet,* a composition of five steel and glass fish sculptures arranged in a dynamic "school" formation, at Vitruvian Park. Located south of the Amphitheater and adjacent to the park's pond, the sculptures measure a combined length of 25 feet, with the tallest reaching a maximum height of 42 inches.

Pryor's use of steel and glass materials allows for an intriguing interplay of light and color, enhancing the sculptures' visual appeal. The installation is a collaboration between the Town of Addison, the Addison Arbor Foundation, and UDR. Pryor also created "Aigue-Marine" in Bosque Park.

Make sure to stop by during Vitruvian Lights and check out this fin-tastic new addition to Addison's public art scene.

Triple the Fun: Three Parks, One Clean-Up Day!

Addison hosted a Community Clean-Up Day on Saturday, November 4! Twenty-two volunteers cleaned Les Lacs Park, Winnwood Park, and Addison Circle Park. Thank you, residents, for taking the time to beautify Addison! The next Community Clean-Up days are scheduled for April 27 and November 2, 2024.

If you are interested in a clean-up before that time, pick up a clean-up kit from the Parks and Recreation Department at the Athletic Club.

Volunteers from e2open Give Back by Cleaning the Community Garden

On November 3, e2open's local office volunteered to clean the Addison Community Garden as part of the Corporate Cleanup Volunteer Program. Many thanks to the team who dedicated two hours to beautifying this garden!

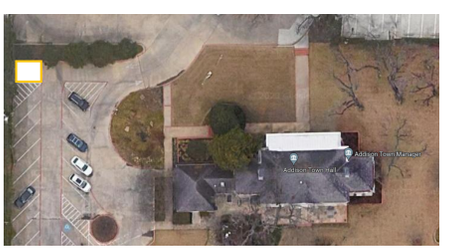
If you have a group that is interested in volunteering in Addison, please contact olunteers@addisontx.gov.

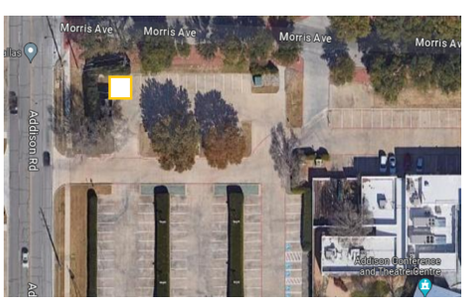
Experience the Magic: Vitruvian Lights Return on November 18th

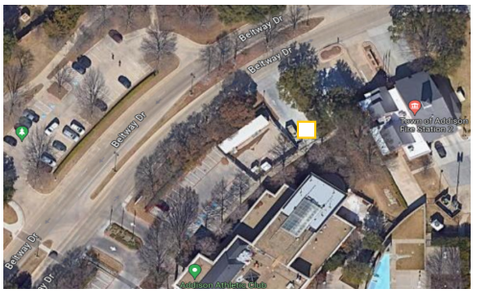
The most dazzling and spectacular time of the year is here and for the first time in its ten-year history, Vitruivan Lights is kicking off BEFORE Thanksgiving. Vitruvian Park officially transforms into a magical holiday wonderland on Saturday, November 18 at 6pm when they flip the switch, filling the park with 1.5 million sparkling LED lights. The lighting ceremony will be followed by a performance by Vocal Majority. There will also be food trucks and vendors, free photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus, holiday characters, and live reindeer for fantastic holiday photos.

Beginning November 19, tree lights will be on daily from 5pm – 11pm. Inclement weather can impact the functionality of tree lights, so please visit the Vitruvian Park website (event calendar) or follow Vitruvian Park's social media channels for any interruptions in the lighting (or schedule).

Planning to Fry Your Holiday Bird? Addison Offers Three Spots to Responsibly Dispose of Used Grease







Addison is participating in the tenth annual Holiday Grease Roundup sponsored by the North Central Texas Council of Governments. This program will allow Addison residents to pour their used cooking grease into containers provided at three sites throughout the Town. A separate 65-gallon trash cart will be provided to dispose of waste containers at each location. The event will run from November 13, 2023 through January 12, 2024. The grease containers will be at Town Hall (top photo), Addison Conference and Theatre Centre (middle photo), and the Addison Athletic Club (bottom photo). If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Stormwater and Operations Manager Shawn Cheairs at 972-450-2818.

Registration Open for Thanksgiving Break Camps

The Addison Athletic Club is hosting Thanksgiving Break Camps from November 20 - 22 for kids ages 6 -12 years. Activities include crafts, gym and outdoor time, and special guests. Make sure to stop by the Athletic Club front desk to reserve a spot!

Addison Eats

Dine Your Way Around the Midway Shopping Center

Addison is known for many things - its charming southern hospitality, a vibrant arts scene, and of course, its penchant for all things delicious. Filled with a mix of Addison staples and new flavors, Midway Shopping Center is a great place to start on your Addison foodie adventure!

Read More

Upcoming Events

November 11 Pancake Breakfast Benefits Santa's Heroes

The Rotary Club of Addison and the Rotary Club of Addison Midday are teaming up to host a Pancake Breakfast to raise money for Santa's Heroes.

Saturday, November 11
8:30 - 11:30am

Fire Station 2
3950 Beltway Drive

Plates are $10 each, $5 for kids under 5, or $30 for a family. First Responders and Veterans eat FREE!

For more information please email addisonmiddayrotary@gmail.com.

Vitruvian Lights Tree Lighting

Come watch Santa “flip the switch” at the Vitruvian Lights Tree Lighting at 6pm.

Saturday, November 18
6 - 11pm
Vitruvian Park

The merriment continues with a Vitruvian Lights first, a performance by Vocal Majority, as well as food trucks and vendors, FREE photos with Santa, holiday characters, and an elf balloon artist. Letters to Santa returns and we welcome Mrs. Claus as well as live reindeer for fantastic holiday photos.

Learn More

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/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
- Addison Instagram
- 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

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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