WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

ADDISON

July 19, 2024

Council Updates

Upcoming Public Hearing

The following public hearing will be held during the July 23 City Council Meeting. Meetings are held at the Addison Conference Centre, 15650 Addison Road, and agendas are posted <u>on the Town's website</u> three days prior.

Hold a public hearing, present, discuss, and consider action on a request to rezone a 8.02± acre property generally located at the southwest corner of Midway Road and Beltway Drive from Planned Development (PD) to a new Planned Development (PD) district to allow for a development comprised of retail and restaurant uses, 166 multifamily dwelling units, 26 townhome fee simple lots, 16 townhome rental dwelling units, and associated public and private open space and common areas, through the approval of development plans and standards. Case 1911-Z/AMLI Treehouse, Phase II.

Addison Visioning Opportunities



Comp Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC): meetings held roughly once/month throughout the project

Save the date for the next Advance Addison 2050 Comprehensive Plan meeting on Thursday, August 8 from 6 - 8pm at the Addison Conference Centre, 15650 Addison Road. The meeting will include a project update and opportunities to provide input on a strategic policy framework and specific actions, as well as catalyst site rendering refinement.

Around Town



TJ Smetzer Promoted to Addison Assistant Police Chief

The Addison Police Department is proud to announce the promotion of TJ Smetzer to Assistant Police Chief. Assistant Chief Smetzer has been an integral part of the department since August 2012, bringing a wealth of experience and dedication to his new role.

Assistant Chief TJ Smetzer has a distinguished career with the Addison Police Department, having served in numerous capacities including captain over the support bureau, patrol lieutenant, support services lieutenant, patrol sergeant, sergeant over training and hiring, background investigator, field training officer, and officer in charge. His extensive experience and commitment to the department have earned him this well-deserved promotion.

Before joining the Addison Police Department, he worked for the Baylor Health Care System Police Department for seven years as a police dispatcher and police officer. Additionally, he shared his expertise as an adjunct professor of Texas government at Richland College from 2013 to 2017.

Assistant Chief Smetzer holds bachelor's degrees in political science and emergency management from the University of North Texas (UNT) and a master's degree in public

administration from UNT. He is also a graduate of the Institute of Law Enforcement Administration's 59th School of Executive Leadership (2022) and its School of Police Supervision (2016).

When asked about the Addison Way, Assistant Chief Smetzer explained, "The Addison Way means going above and beyond for both citizens and other Addison employees." This philosophy has guided his career and continues to inspire his work.

Assistant Chief Smetzer grew up in Plano, TX, graduated from Plano Senior High School, and currently resides in Dallas. In his free time, he enjoys traveling and following current events and politics. He is on a mission to visit all 50 state capitols and has already visited 42.

Assistant Chief Smetzer's promotion underscores the Addison Police Department's commitment to excellence and community service. His leadership and experience will undoubtedly contribute to the continued safety and well-being of Addison's residents.

Scoop Up the Fun: Exploring Addison's Best Ice Cream Shops on National Ice Cream Day



When the Texas sun turns up the heat, there's one thing that never fails to bring sweet relief: ice cream! Sunday, July 21 is National Ice Cream Day. From classic cones to new exciting flavors, Visit Addison has all the 'scoop' on where to indulge your sweet tooth. Join us as we go on a flavorful journey through Addison's top ice cream destinations, discovering the perfect scoop to beat the Texas heat and celebrate this sweet national holiday in style.

Get the Scoop on Ice Cream in Addison

Coming Soon to a Building Near You



Local photographer <u>James Wolfe</u> recently took the City Council annual photograph in front of the 138-square-foot "ADDISON" mural painted on the north side of AMLI Addison. Local artist Alli Koch created the 10-foot tall, black-and-white, Instagram-worthy piece featuring iconic images that represent Addison. Reproductions will be framed and placed in municipal buildings soon.



Addison Finance Building to be Closed July 22 - 26 for Repairs

The Finance building experienced interior damage caused by the recent storms. In order to make repairs and adequately clean the office, it will be closed from Monday, July 22 through Friday, July 26. Some staff will be working remotely, while others will be temporarily relocated to various municipal buildings throughout town. We will have the main line 972-450-7081 forwarded so customer calls will still be answered by our dedicated Finance team. You will also still be able to drop off payments at the building when it's closed.

We apologize for any inconvenience.



Congratulations to the Ducky Derby Winners!

Last Saturday, July 13, the ducky racers made their way across the outdoor pool at the Addison Athletic Club. Congratulations to our winners of both the derby as well as those named best DUCK-orated.

Dallas Parkway Full Closure from Keller Springs to Arapaho Scheduled for Friday, July 26 at 7am to Monday, July 29 at 9pm



DART is planning a full north- and southbound closure of Dallas Parkway at the railroad tracks (between Keller Springs Road and Arapaho Road) from 7am on Friday, July 26 until 9pm on Monday, July 29 for work on the Silver Line. Crews plan to demolish the roadway and

sidewalks, rebuild and install the track crossing, and restore landscaping. Please consider alternative routes during this time.

Soil Sampling at Les Lacs Park Planned for Monday, July 22



On Monday, July 22, contractors with a rubber-tired tractor will be taking soil samples from the area around Les Lacs Pond. They plan to begin around 7:30am and work should be completed by noon. If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Parks Director Joe Pack at jpack@addisontx.gov. Thank you for your patience.



Join Metrocrest Services "Let's Roll" Toilet Paper Challenge

Every year, toilet paper is one of the most requested yet most expensive items at the Metrocrest Services Food Pantry. Now, through National Toilet Paper Day, which is Monday, August 26, Metrocrest Services is on a mission to collect 75,000 rolls of toilet paper, helping to ensure its Food Pantry shelves stay stocked for the next six months.

There are several ways Addison residents can support this challenge:

- 1. **Drop off Donations at the Athletic Club.** Bring packaged toilet paper (no unwrapped rolls, please) to the Addison Athletic Club before August 25.
- 2. <u>Give a Donation</u>. Metrocrest Services can purchase toilet paper at a reduced rate.
- 3. <u>Shop the Amazon Gift List.</u> Shop Metrocrest Services' Amazon Gift List and have items shipped directly to the Food Pantry.

Thank you for your help supporting those in need.

Addison Citizens Academy Now Accepting Applications



Each year, residents learn about Town operations through the <u>Addison Citizens Academy</u>. With behind-the-scenes tours and insightful presentations by Town leaders, students get an up-close and personal look at the inner workings that make Addison such a great place to live, work, and play.

Citizens Academy is an educational experience that teaches students how local government works and encourages active participation in the civic process and in shaping our community's future.

For more information and to apply, visit <u>AddisonTexas.net/CitizensAcademy</u>.

Addison Eats

Thai Orchid Celebrates 25 Years



The iconic family-owned restaurant Thai Orchid is celebrating 25 years in Addison! Since opening in 1999, they have been delighting customers with everyone's favorite traditional Thai cuisine. Known for their award-winning Spring Rolls and Mango Sticky Rice, you really can't go wrong with anything on the menu. Located at 4930 Belt Line Road, Thai Orchid is open for dine-in or takeout.

Upcoming Events



Mary Poppins Addison Theatre Centre July 17- 28

This classic tale of Mary Poppins based on the stories of P.L. Travers and the Disney film is the latest WaterTower Theatre production. Follow along with the Banks family as a musical nanny brings a spoonful of sugar to their home!

Get Tickets

Addison Outdoors Barks & Beats Thursday, July 25 7 - 9pm Addison Circle Park You and your four-legged friend are invited to Barks & Beats. Enjoy socializing with other pet parents and live music presented by Addison Outdoors.





Animal Control Adoption Day Saturday, July 27 1 - 4pm Addison Athletic Club

Come find your fur-ever friend at the Addison Animal Control Adoption Days! This monthly event, held on the last Saturday of every month, is the perfect way to get to know some of Addison's adoptable pets.

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:

- <u>www.addisontexas.net</u>: Find alerts and updates on the homepage and departmentspecific updates on department pages.
- <u>www.addisontexas.net/Midway</u>: Find information on the Midway Road Revitalization Project and subscribe for project email and text updates.
- <u>www.addisonalert.com</u>: 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:

- <u>Addison Facebook</u>
- Addison Instagram
- <u>Visit Addison Facebook</u>
- <u>Addison Twitter</u>
- Visit Addison Twitter
- <u>NextDoor</u>

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 <u>marketing@addisontx.gov</u>.

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

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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)

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