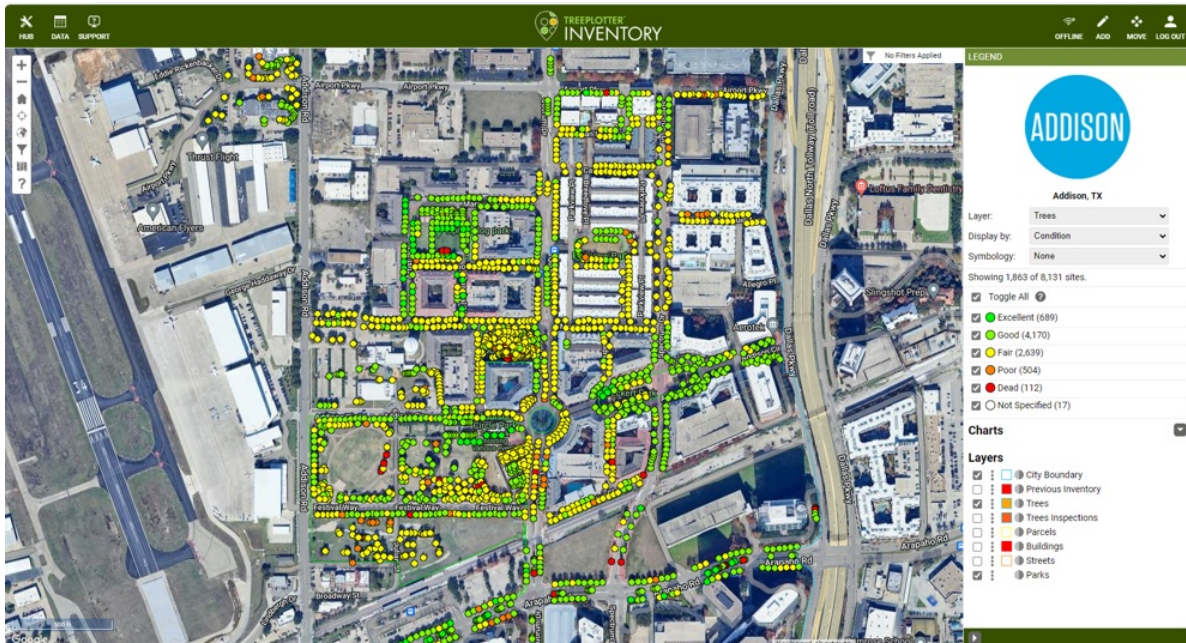




July 5, 2024

Council Updates

Management of the Urban Forest and the Tree Mitigation Fund In Addison



Addison's Parks & Recreation Director Janna Tidwell shared information about Addison's Urban Forest Management Program with the Council at its June 25 meeting, including new practices, policies, and technology.

The Addison Parks Department currently has two certified Arborists on staff who help manage the health of the Town's trees. Trees are pruned annually to prevent and treat disease and provide clearance over walks and roads. All trees are pruned at least every five years to encourage healthy growth.

Addison places a high priority on planting trees but the Town has faced challenges due to dense tree planting and evolving development standards. Increased maintenance needs of maturing trees have led to budget restructuring to allocate more funds to pruning and maintenance. A Tree Mitigation Fund was established in 2022 to allow the mitigation of trees on Town property if trees cannot be mitigated on a development site but also to supplement the costs of the maintenance increases.

As part of the Unified Development Code update, this policy permits contributions to the Tree Mitigation Fund in lieu of on-site mitigation. Funds are used primarily for new tree planting,

with a portion allocated to maintenance and a citywide tree inventory.

In November 2023, Addison began using a tree inventory software called "Tree Plotter" to track trees, plan and mitigate issues, and manage the urban forest. The software provides detailed information on tree conditions, identifies at-risk trees, assigns maintenance tasks, and tracks trees needing mitigation.

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

Council Receives Update on Town's Five-Year Capital Improvement Program

At the June 25 City Council Meeting, CFO Steven Glickman provided a project status of the 2012 and 2019 bond programs, updates on committed projects, and potential future projects in the context of the five-year capital improvement plan (CIP) that will be included as part of the fiscal year 2025 budget.

Additionally, the CFO provided information on the proposed Certificates of Obligation, Series 2024. The proposed 2024 Certificates of Obligation issuance totals \$10,700,000 and consists of the following:

- \$3,400,000 for construction of a new 23,000 square foot public safety communications facility for the joint dispatch center created and owned by the Cities of Coppell, Farmers Branch, and Carrollton along with the Town.
- \$1,150,000 for a replacement Spartan Fire Engine.
- \$850,000 for Addison Grove incentive payments for public infrastructure. Town staff anticipates that Addison Grove will qualify for the first two incentive payments in late 2024 or early 2025. Each incentive payment is \$2,083,333. The Town set aside \$3,000,000 between fiscal years 2017 and 2019 to cash fund half the incentive payments. To date, those funds have earned slightly over \$300,000 in interest.
- \$5,300,000 for Stormwater Fund capital improvement projects supported and serviced by Stormwater Fund revenue. These projects include reconstruction of Keller Springs Road (\$2,800,000) and Les Lacs Pond Improvements (\$2,500,000).

With the proposed issuance, and accounting for anticipated growth in taxable property values and State Infrastructure Bank loan proceeds of \$15,000,000, the Interest and Sinking (I&S) tax rate is estimated to increase from \$0.159492/\$100 in Fiscal Year 2024 to \$0.174100/\$100 in Fiscal Year 2025. The 2019 Bond Committee estimated that for Fiscal Year 2025, the I&S tax rate would be approximately \$0.255400/\$100, which is almost 47% higher than the current estimate for Fiscal Year 2025.

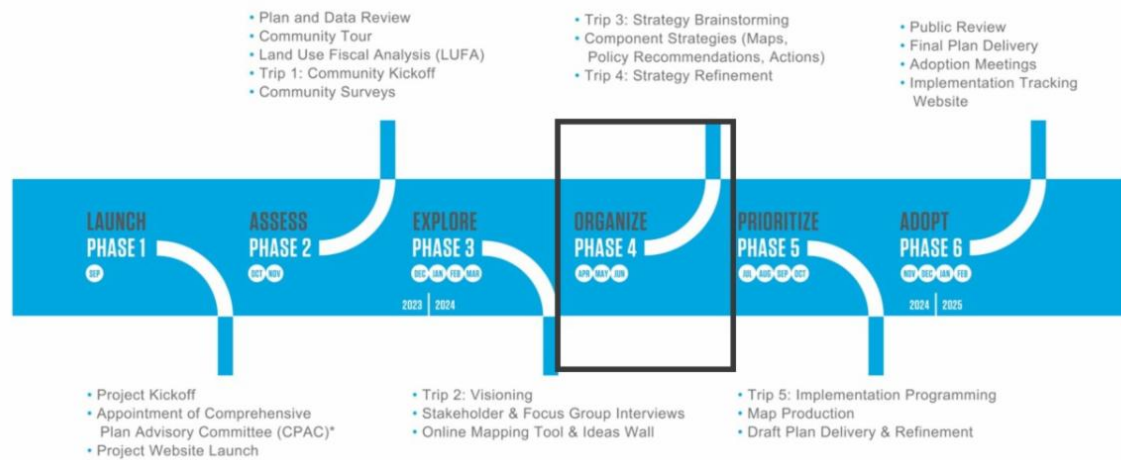
You can [watch the Council's CIP discussion here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

No City Council Meeting on July 9

As they have traditionally done, the Council has opted to cancel its first meeting in July. This break allows staff extra time to wrap up the budget, which will be submitted to Council at the end of July.

Addison Visioning Opportunities

The Next Big Step for Advance Addison 2050 is Happening July 11



The Advance Addison 2050 Comprehensive Plan project team is in the tail end of Phase 4, Organize, which means that the draft strategic framework that was presented at the June 26 [community meeting](#) will be further refined by intentional engagements this summer. Be sure to check out the project team's progress by reviewing the data behind future policies. The [Baseline Assessment and Engagement Summary](#) and [2024 Town of Addison Market Position Report](#) are now available on [AdvanceAddison.com](#)!

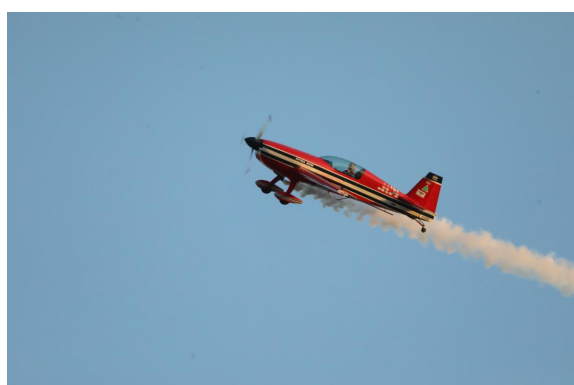
Save the date for the next set of meetings at the Addison Conference Centre (15650 Addison Road):

- **Thursday, July 11 from 6pm – 8pm : Joint meeting of the CPAC, P&Z, and City Council** – project update, final market report briefing, and opportunities to provide input on redevelopment catalyst site locations.
- **Thursday, August 8 from 6pm – 8pm: CPAC Meeting #8** – project update and opportunities to provide input on a strategic policy framework and specific actions, as well as catalyst site rendering refinement.

The July 11 joint meeting packets will be posted [here](#) three days prior to the meeting.

Around Town

Addison Kaboom Town! Brought the Flights, Sights, and BOOM!



Thousands gathered in Addison Circle Park on July 3, while hundreds of thousands gathered throughout Addison's 4.4 square miles in hotels, restaurants, and parks to enjoy one of the top-rated fireworks shows in the country - Addison Kaboom Town! If you missed the show or just want to relive it again, you can find it on [Addison's YouTube channel](#).

WaterTower Theatre is Putting on a Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious Production of Mary Poppins



DISNEY & CAMERON MACKINTOSH'S

Mary Poppins

A Musical Based on the stories of P.L. Travers & the Walt Disney Film

JULY 17 - 28, 2024

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**WaterTower
Theatre**
at the Addison Theatre Centre

ORIGINAL MUSIC & LYRICS BY:
**Richard M. Sherman
& Robert B. Sherman**

BOOK BY: **Julian Fellowes**
NEW SONGS & ADDITIONAL MUSIC & LYRICS BY:
George Stiles & Anthony Drewe

Step into a world of whimsy and delight this summer at the Addison Theatre Centre. This classic tale of Mary Poppins based on the stories of P.L. Travers and the Disney film is a WaterTower Theatre production. Follow along with the Banks family as a musical nanny brings a spoonful of sugar to their home! Here for a limited time, July 17- 28, join us for an unforgettable night where you can learn a lesson or two from Mary Poppins herself!

[Get Tickets](#)

Cranking Up the Heat: Indoor Activities in Addison



Texas has preheated to an easy 100°, which means it's time to scope out some air-conditioned fun! Visit Addison has the *inside* details on the best indoor activities this summer.

Flex your competitive side with games, lean into your creativity with crafts and creations, and sit back and enjoy the show at one of Addison's theaters.

Cool Indoor Activities

Upcoming Events



Police Chief Chris Freis' Swearing In Wednesday, July 10 5pm Addison Conference Centre 15650 Addison Road

The Community is invited to a swearing-in ceremony for Addison's new Police Chief Chris Freis. A brief reception will follow.

Vitruvian Nights Live Thursday, July 11 7pm - 9:30pm Vitruvian Park

Enjoy live music by party band Limelight, food trucks, and outdoor games in the beautiful Vitruvian Park Amphitheater.



Vitruvian Salsa Saturday, July 13 6pm - 10pm Vitruvian Park

Don't miss live entertainment, salsa lessons, food trucks, food vendors, and more at Vitruvian Park Amphitheater.

DART Community Meeting on Proposed Fare Changes Thursday, July 18 6pm Addison Conference Centre 15650 Addison Road

DART is holding a series of meetings to get community feedback on proposed fare changes. Customers can also use this form

to share their opinions on the proposed changes: [2025 Fare Restructure \(dart.org\)](https://www.dart.org/2025-Fare-Restructure).



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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