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September 27, 2024

Council Updates

Council Approves Greenhill Athletic Performance Center



At its September 24 meeting, the City Council approved a Special Use Permit for the construction of a new Athletic Performance Center at Greenhill School, located at 4141 Spring Valley Road. The two-story, 21,250-square-foot facility will include five relocated tennis courts, a field hockey field, a putting green, and additional parking spaces.

The project also includes improvements to the site's emergency access and landscape enhancements, exceeding tree mitigation requirements. Greenhill School worked with neighboring residents to address concerns about a tree buffer along the northern property line, committing to plant 11 new live oak trees. Construction is expected to begin later this year.

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

City Council Approves Three New Sculptures for AMLI Treehouse Development



At the September 24 City Council meeting, the Addison Arbor Foundation presented plans for three new sculptures to be installed in the open space of the AMLI Treehouse Development. These installations, funded by a \$150,000 contribution from the developer as part of the public art agreement, will bring unique and exciting additions to Addison's public art collection.

The sculptures include:

- "Four Moons Rising" – a kinetic sculpture by Jeff Kahn
- "Three Songs for a Poet" – a stainless steel tree sculpture by Michael Warrick
- "Happy Dogs" – a corten steel dog sculpture by Dale Rogers

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

Council Approves FY24 Budget Amendment

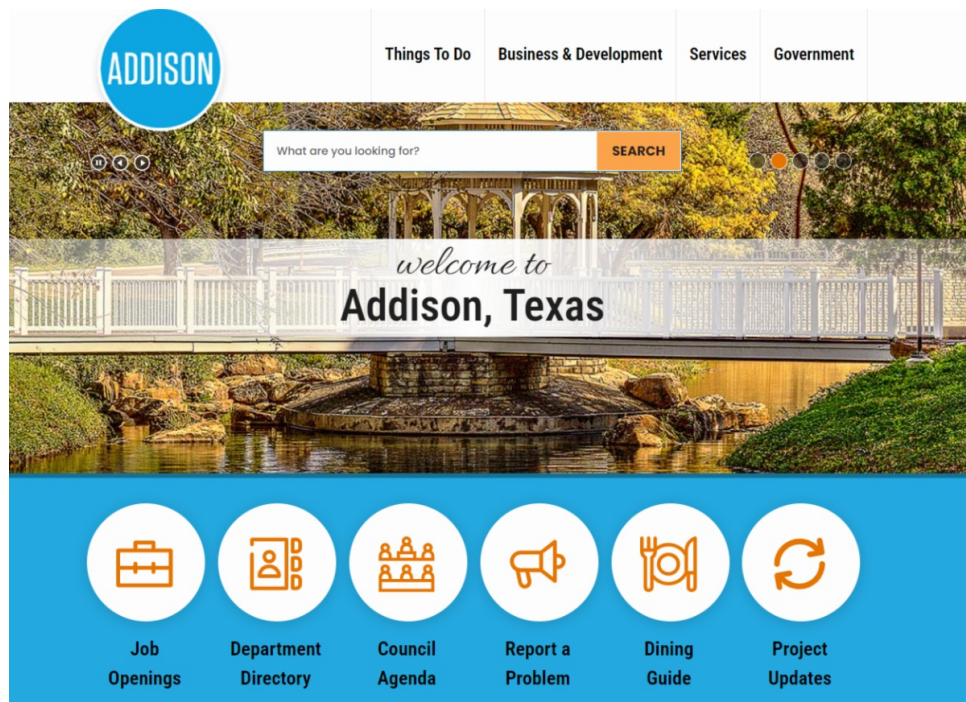
The Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 budget was adopted by the Council on September 12, 2023. The City Council approved a second budget amendment for that budget at its September 24, 2024 meeting. These adjustments account for significant budget variances and ensure funding is allocated appropriately across departments. Key items include:

- General Fund: \$387,000 allocated for legal services, Animal Control, emergency communications, and street maintenance, offset by increased sales tax revenue and 911 fees.
- Infrastructure Investment Fund: \$1.39 million for prior year commitments and \$500,000 for Conference Centre renovations.
- Capital Projects Fund: \$656,903 for prior obligations and a new emergency communications facility.
- Self-Funded Special Projects Fund: \$1.22 million for storm cleanup, staffing studies, tree mitigation, and trail consulting.

- Utility Fund: \$200,000 for water and wastewater master plan updates.
 - Other Funds: Additional appropriations for equipment replacement and facility repairs.
- You can [watch the Council's budget amendment here](#) and [read the presentation here](#).

Important Announcements

New Town Website Launches September 30 with New Domain: AddisonTx.gov



The website approved by the City Council last fall will launch on September 30. The new site includes the main website, as well as subsites for Parks and Recreation, Addison Airport, Addison Police Department, Economic Development, and Development Services. The new navigation is reorganized using the metrics of how visitors use the website like data analysis and user testing to make it easier to find the most requested pages.

The site also features a new website address: AddisonTx.gov. Because a government entity has to be approved to use a .gov domain, search engines give priority to these sites, increasing searchability. The new URL also aligns with the Town staff email addresses to simplify communication. The prior site (addisontexas.net), will redirect to the new site, but we are asking the community to move toward using the new address.

As the new site is rolled out, there may be missed links or moved pages. Please feel free to contact the Marketing and Tourism Department at marketing@addisontx.gov with any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

We appreciate your patience as we work to improve our communication channels for the community.

Public Safety Non-Emergency Number Changes October 1

To better serve our community, beginning October 1 the new Public Safety non-emergency number will be:

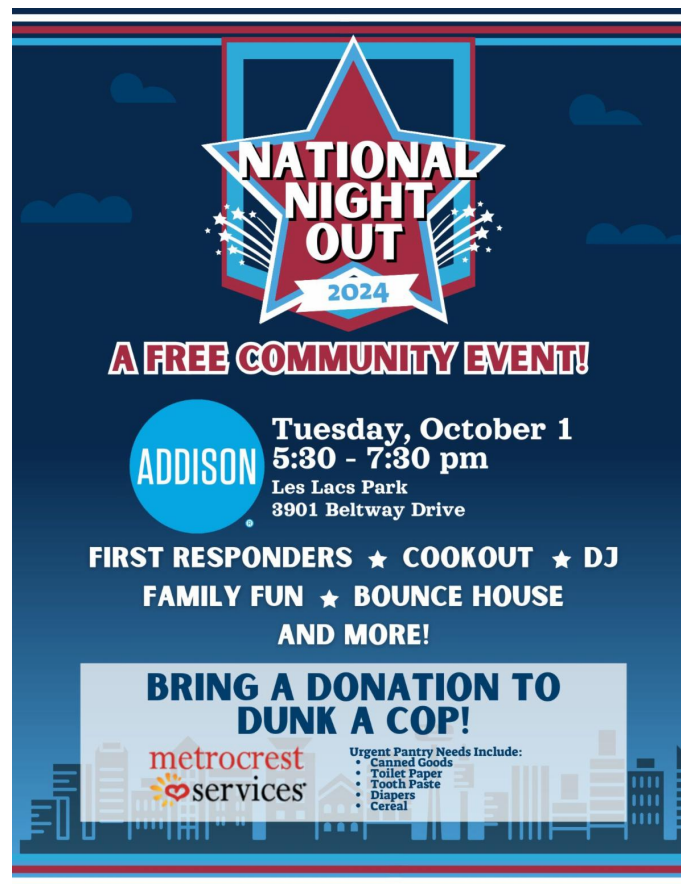
469-289-3270

When Addison joined the North Texas Emergency Communications Center (NTECC), our existing non-emergency number (972-450-7156) was forwarded to the new dispatch center. Because the transfer goes through two different networks (Spectrum and ATT) before it

reaches NTECC, we've had several outages recently. This change will allow more reliability for this important communication channel. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Around Town

Addison to Host National Night Out Event on October 1



Join us for National Night Out on Tuesday, October 1, from 5:30 to 7:30pm at Les Lacs Park! This community event is a perfect opportunity to meet your neighbors, first responders, and Town of Addison staff while enjoying a fun-filled evening.

We'll have a cookout, a live DJ, family-friendly activities, a bounce house, and more! Plus, if you bring a donation for the Metrocrest Services food pantry, you get a chance to Dunk a Cop.

It's a night of food, games, and community spirit—completely FREE!

8am Opening Planned for Addison Athletic Club on Saturday, September 28

The Athletic Club is in the process of resurfacing the basketball gym. After assessing the progress, the Addison Athletic Club will open on time at 8am on Saturday, September 28, as it has been determined that the air quality in the building is safe for both our residents and staff. The Child Activity Center will be closed all day.

Please check the [Athletic Club Facebook Page](#) or the [Athletic Club website](#) for further updates.

Thank you for your understanding!

APD Hosts Coffee with a Cop



On Wednesday, September 25, community members gathered at Oak'd for Coffee with a Cop featuring Addison's new Police Chief, Chris Freis. Chief Freis shared his vision for enhancing community trust and collaboration, inviting questions and feedback from those in attendance. Thanks to everyone who came out to support this initiative!

Sidecar Social Renovation Enhances Visitor Experience



Sidecar Social General Manager Bobby Jones gave Mayor Bruce Arfsten, Deputy Mayor Pro

Tempore Nancy Craig, and Council Member Howard Freed a preview of their newly remodeled space in Village on the Parkway. Addison's Sidecar Social, the brand's original location, opened five years ago. The remodel involved moving the downstairs stage to be the central focus, but the biggest changes can be found upstairs. The balcony space has been completely renovated to remove walls and add comfortable seating and a bar.

If Sidecar Social isn't already on your list of possible event venues, it should be. The popular attraction is already booking holiday parties!

Les Lacs Park Closed for Maintenance October 3 from 6am - 2:30pm



Les Lacs Park, including the playground and pavilion, will be closed for maintenance on Thursday, October 3, from 6am to 2:30pm. During this time, the Parks Department will apply Fall pre-emergent herbicide and conduct maintenance on the playground, pavilion, and irrigation system. The pickleball and tennis courts will remain open and unaffected by the closure. Thank you for your patience.

Redding Trail Dog Park to Close on October 7 for Improvements.



Redding Trail Dog Park will be closed beginning October 7 until early April for improvements. A temporary dog park is being built at the corner of Marsh Lane and Beltway Road so that pet owners will continue to have access to an off-leash area during construction. *Drinking fountains will not be provided during construction, so all guests are asked to provide*

drinking water for themselves and their pets.

The Town is adding a trail connection from the existing loop of the Redding Trail to the new sidewalk that has been recently finished as part of the Midway Road construction project. To accommodate the new trail segment, the Town will be adjusting the shape of the dog park to allow the trail to pass to the south of it. Although the dog park is losing space on its south side, it will be extended to the north and to the east, making it 1,700 square feet larger than it is currently. Another change is that the new fence will be made of strong and durable recycled plastic lumber, rather than a chain link material, which is no longer allowed by Oncor in their easement. All seating will be reinstalled on newly poured concrete walkways, and brand-new freeze-proof dog water stations will be added to allow for year-round use. The dog park and new trail segment are expected to open in early April.

Thank you for your patience as we work to improve this popular dog park.

Registration is Open for Corporate Field Day

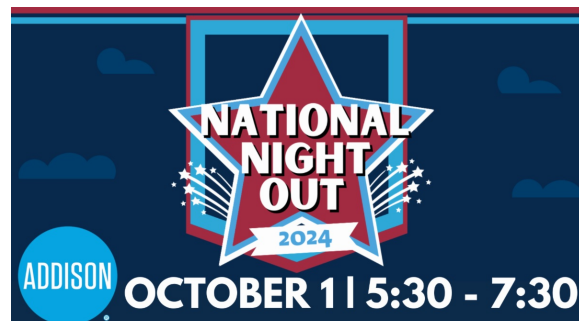


Get ready for some healthy competition because Corporate Field Day, hosted by Addison Outdoors, is back on October 17! Registration is now open for Addison businesses to step out of the office and onto the field for a day of teamwork and fun. Compete for awards, prizes, and, most importantly, bragging rights. Looking for ways to get more involved? Sponsorship opportunities are also available. Register today at VisitAddison.com/AO.

Upcoming Events

National Night Out
Les Lacs Park
Tuesday, October 1
5:30 - 7:30pm

Come on out and meet your neighbors and Town of Addison staff! This event is part of a national community-building campaign to bring the community together. Celebrate with food, games, and more!





Community Meeting Addison Conference Centre Thursday, October 3 5:30 - 7:30pm

We are creating a new vision for Addison Circle Park and want to hear from you! Please join us for a community engagement meeting to discuss what the future of Addison Circle Park should look like.

Shred and Recycle Roundup Addison Conference Centre 15650 Addison Rd. Saturday, October 12 9am - 12pm

Bring your documents for shredding and items for recycling to the Addison Conference Centre parking lot, where Addison staff and volunteers will assist with unloading!

This is a FREE event open to both Addison residents and non-Addison residents.



Touch a Truck Festival Way Saturday, October 12 9am - 12pm

Bring the family to Addison's Touch a Truck event on Saturday, October 12! Kids (and adults!) can explore fire trucks, police cars, and even the brand-new street sweeper. Climb in, honk the horns, and meet the people who keep our city running!

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](#)

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[Addison News](#)

[Community Crime Map](#)

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[Addison's PEG Channel](#)
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