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April 14, 2023

Council Updates

Council Recognizes 2023 Citizens Academy Graduates

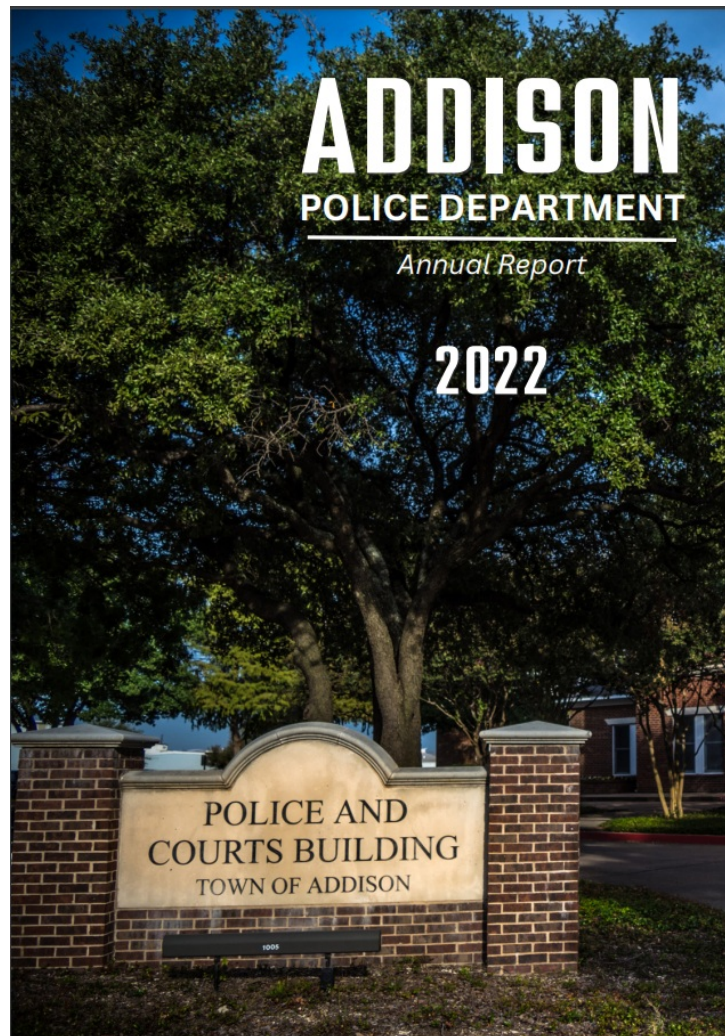


Mayor Joe Chow and City Manager David Gaines presented the participants of the Spring 2023 session of the Addison Citizens Academy with their graduation certificates at the April 11 City Council Meeting. The Citizens Academy offers a behind-the-scenes look at the Town's operations. Participants learned the basics of municipal government through tours, activities, and face-to-face interaction with Town leaders and staff.

The next Citizens Academy will take place in the Fall of 2024. Applications will be available on the Town's website in the summer of 2024 [on the Town's website](#).

Congratulations to all the graduates, and thank you for your interest in learning more about Addison. You can [watch the ceremony here](#).

Police Chief Presents Department's Annual Report



At the April 11 City Council Meeting, Police Chief Paul Spencer presented the [Police Department's Annual Report](#). This report included a statistical review of the year, notable events from the patrol and criminal investigation divisions, and goals and objectives for Fiscal Year 2023.

APD's report indicates that the crime rate in Addison increased by 8.3% in 2022. Chief Spencer shared that historical Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) data shows crime rates are a cycle that include a seven to nine year gradual increase followed by a similar seven to nine year gradual decrease. Last year, most felony "crimes against persons" offenses were down compared to 2021, with the notable exception of assaults. Chief Spencer indicated that the majority of these were classified as "simple" assaults. APD personnel will continue to prosecute these crimes and work with victims to ensure the best outcomes possible.

Addison's largest crime rate increase in 2022 was for property crime. The majority of these offenses were committed under opportunistic, low-risk circumstances such as forgotten wallets, unlocked vehicles, or valuables left in plain sight. Common targets include work laptop bags, backpacks, and purses that are left visible in cars parked in restaurant parking lots. Officers and detectives have arrested multiple thieves this year, most of whom are known to Addison or surrounding agencies as repeat offenders. The intelligence shared by APD has solved dozens of offenses in other cities. Likewise, these cities have helped Addison link their suspects to our offenses.

Another factor that impacted the property crime rate increase was thefts of catalytic converters. Due to the the hard work and tenacity of APD's Patrol Division, six sets of catalytic converter thieves were arrested and several others were identified in 2022. The efforts of these officers helped demonstrate a need for an ordinance against unlawful possession of these auto parts, which Addison City Council voted to ratify in March 2023.

You can [watch Council's Police Annual Report discussion here](#), [read the presentation here](#), and [review the report here](#).

Council Discusses Council Compensation

Mayor Joe Chow requested a work session item at the April 11 City Council Meeting to discuss the compensation paid to members of the City Council. Compensation for the Mayor and City Council is specified in Article II, Section 2-31 of the Town's code of ordinances, which was last updated on April 9, 2002. Currently, the Mayor is paid \$200 on a bi-weekly basis, or \$5,200 annually, while City Council members are paid \$100 on a bi-weekly basis, or \$2,600 annually.

Council discussed increasing the annual amount to \$10,400 for the Mayor and \$5,200 for Council Members. Council will consider action on this item at its April 25 meeting.

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

Residence Inn to Add Beer and Wine to Its Market Pantry



The Residence Inn by Marriott has operated at 14975 Quorum Drive since 1996. At its

April 11 meeting, the City Council approved a Special Use Permit allowing for the sale of beer and wine to guests from the hotel's market pantry in the lobby.

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

St. Martin's Restaurant to Join Arthur's Steakhouse on Quorum Drive



At its April 11 meeting, the City Council approved a Special Use Permit for St. Martin's Restaurant which will be co-located with Arthur's Steakhouse at 15175 Quorum Drive. The owner of St. Martin's, who also owns Arthur's, plans to use a portion of the existing building plus a building and patio addition for the French bistro's second North Texas location.

St. Martin's plans to utilize 1,804 square feet of existing dining space, construct a 1,784-square-foot building addition, which will replace the existing covered outdoor dining area, and a 930-square-foot covered outdoor patio. The new restaurant will offer seating for 138 people.

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

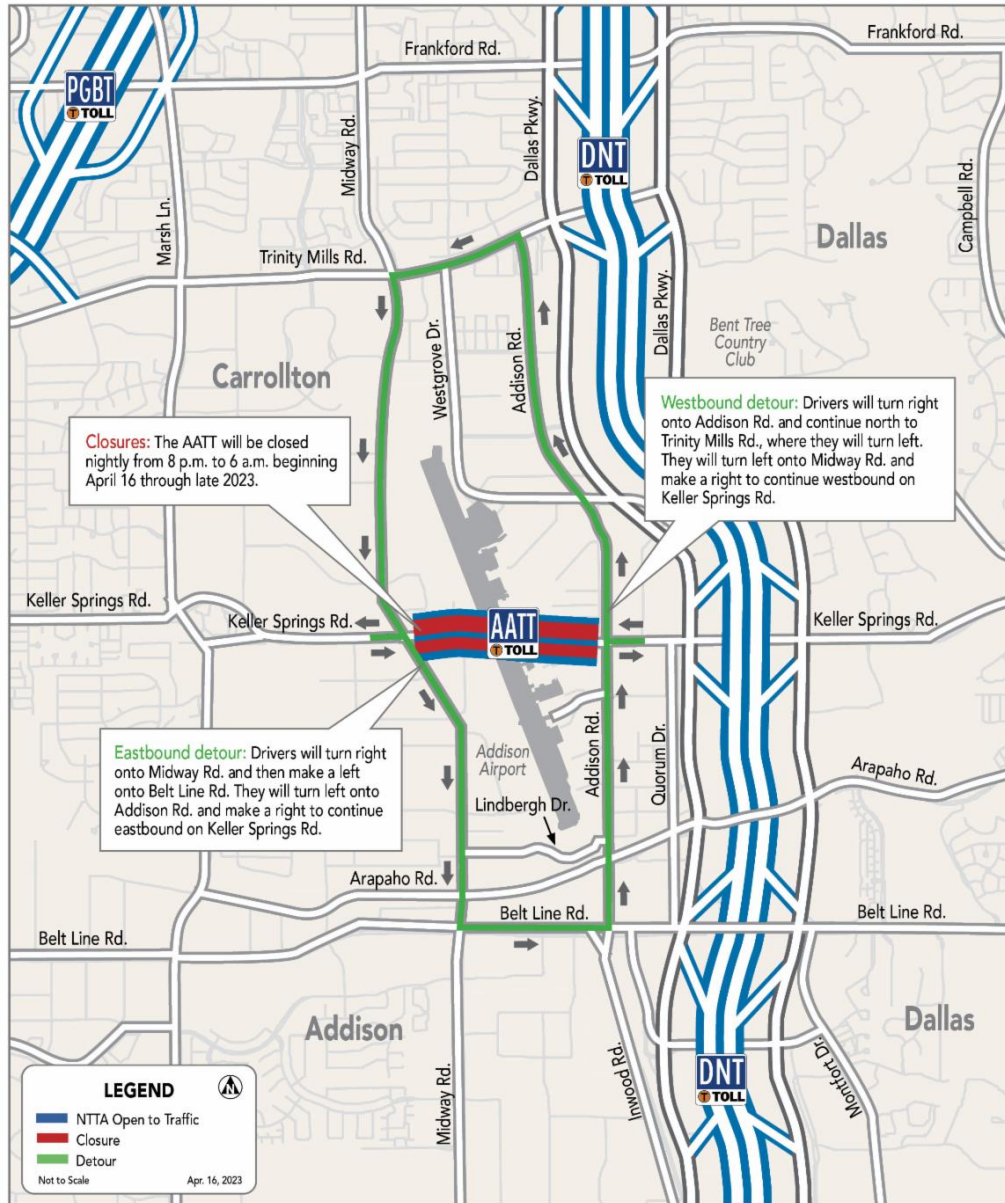
Dan Liscio Recognized for Service on BZA



Mayor Joe Chow recognized Dan Liscio for serving on the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) at the April 11 City Council Meeting. Thanks to Dan for his service to the community.

Construction Corner

Airport Tunnel Closed Nightly for Maintenance Through Late 2023



**Addison Airport Toll Tunnel
AATT closed nightly for maintenance beginning April 16
through late 2023**



The Addison Airport Toll Tunnel will be closed for maintenance from 8pm - 6am beginning April 16 through late 2023. The North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA) is planning to upgrade the lighting and liner in the tunnel, make needed repairs to some equipment, replace signs, and permanently place LED signs at each end of the tunnel.

Thank you for your patience as NTTA works to make improvements.

Midway Road Lane Shift South of Belt Line Road Scheduled for April 19



The next phase of the Midway Road Revitalization Project is the removal and replacement of the existing pavement on the northbound lanes of Midway from Proton Drive to Belt Line Road. Traffic will be switched over to the new pavement on the southbound lanes on Wednesday, April 19 after the morning rush hour. The traffic configuration will have one lane of traffic in each direction and a continuous left turn lane in the center. The switch may be delayed if there is inclement weather.

Drivers should pay close attention to the traffic control and lane assignments in this area and observe the location of signal heads and directional signage at the intersections.

You can register for Midway Road text updates by texting the word **Midway** to 888-777 or subscribe to email updates at www.Addisontexas.net/midway. Thank you for your patience as we strive to make Addison a better place to live, work, and play.

Around Town

[Addison After Dark Kicks Off on Saturday, April 15 with Fiesta Noche](#)



FREE ADMISSION LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FOOD TRUCKS



FIESTA NOCHE
APRIL 15 • 6PM
ADDISON CIRCLE PARK

LEARN MORE

Fiesta Noche returns to Addison Circle Park this weekend with more music, more food, more dancing, and more Selena. This celebration of Latin American culture promises to have you samba dancing in the streets with tunes from a Selena tribute band and other live Latin music. So, grab your amigos and yourself and come to mingle in Addison Circle Park on Saturday, April 15 from 6pm – 10pm.

Celebrate Selena’s birthday at Fiesta Noche by bringing your best look-alike costume and showing off your best “washing machine” for a chance to win a \$100 gift card and be crowned Queen of Fiesta Noche! Get more details on all the food, music, and fun at www.AddisonAfterDark.com.

Addison Team Pays a Visit to Atlantic FBO at Addison Airport



On Thursday, April 6, Mayor Joe Chow, City Manager David Gaines, Deputy City Manager

John Crawford, Aviation Assistant Director Darci Neuzil, and Economic Development and Tourism Director Orlando Campos paid a visit to Atlantic Aviation. Atlantic is one of the three fixed base operators (FBO) at Addison Airport and one of 105 in the company's network throughout the country. As an FBO, the company provides aeronautical services to planes arriving at Addison including fueling, aircraft hangaring, parking, and services to passengers and pilots. Atlantic has been in Addison for many years and plans to upgrade their services with a remodel of its terminal, reconstruction of its ramp, and construction of a new hangar. The Addison team was hosted by Atlantic's Regional Supervisor Al Archuletta, Manager of Customer Service Anna Saldivar, and Line Service Manager Bryan Rowland. Addison is proud to have such a quality company providing services at Addison Airport.

Jeremiah's Italian Ice Now Open



Jeremiah's Italian Ice at 14380 Marsh Lane in the Brookhaven Shopping Center is officially open and just in time for the warmer weather. On Tuesday, April 11, the Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new frozen treats shop and Addison Tourism Manager Amber Patterson was on hand to welcome them to town.

The company has plans to expand across DFW, and since the Addison location is its official training shop, all new employees will start off their careers with Jeremiah's in Addison.

Welcome to Addison, Jeremiah's Italian Ice.

[Vote for Kaboom Town! in USA Today's Readers' Choice Awards](#)



Addison Kaboom Town! has been nominated as a contender for the "Best Place to See Fireworks" for *USA Today's* 2023 10Best Readers' Choice travel awards. Kaboom Town! is the only Texas show out of the 20 finalists, so we want to encourage North Texas to help Addison keep its top ranking by voting every day from now until the contest closes on Monday, April 17. [Please vote here!](#)

Coworking Day in the Park Was Chilly But Fun!



Many thanks to everyone who braved the cooler temperatures to work in Addison Circle Park for the Spring 2023 Coworking Day in the Park event on April 6. The hot coffee from Java and Hopps was a big hit as was the Ruthie's food truck that was onsite for lunch. Addison-based Ruthie's Boss sandwich was recently recognized by [Tasting Table](#) writers and editors as one of the best grilled cheese sandwiches in the country. Stay tuned for details on another Coworking Day in the Park event in the fall.

WaterTower Theatre's *The Manic Monologues* Opens April 19



The WaterTower Theatre's (WTT) regional premiere of *The Manic Monologues*, a play showcasing true stories of mental illness to disrupt stigma, opens April 19 and runs through April 30. The play, which WTT has enhanced by movement and live music for the first time, brings to life incredible stories that challenge and inform ideas about what it means to be touched by a mental health condition. Tickets are on sale at [www.https://www.watertowertheatre.org/](https://www.watertowertheatre.org/)

Recycling and Earth Day Block Party Scheduled for April 29



Mark your calendar and clean out your closet as Addison celebrates Earth Day with its Recycling and Earth Day Block Party. Join in the fun on Saturday, April 29 from 12pm - 2pm at Addison Circle Park. There will be vendors, crafts, the Pop Up Parks Trailer, free tree saplings for the first 50 visitors, and more.

The recycling and shredding trucks will be parked along Festival Way. In addition to onsite shredding, we will be collecting the items below for recycling:

- **Computers:** Desktops, laptops, servers, LCD monitors, keyboards, mics, speakers, and all other computer components.
- **Portable Electronics:** Cell phones, GPS devices, calculators, portable CD and DVD players, PDAs, and MP3 Players.
- **Cameras:** Camcorders and all non-disposable film and digital cameras.
- **Office Equipment:** Fax machines, typewriters, inkjet cartridges, printers, scanners, routers, shredders, and copiers.
- **Entertainment Electronics:** Car and home audio equipment, satellite and cable boxes, VCRs, DVD players and recorders, headphones, and multimedia projectors.
- **Multimedia:** DVD and VHS movies, audiobooks, and music CDs. All multimedia items must include original covers.
- **Clothing & Accessories:** Pants, coats, shirts, purses, belts, shoes, hats, etc.
- **Toys & Games:** Action figures, blocks, dolls, stuffed animals, etc.
- **Video Games:** Video games, systems, and accessories.
- **Sporting Goods:** Golf clubs and bags, athletic helmets and pads, baseball bats and gloves, basketball shoes, cleats, hockey sticks, ice skates, and roller blades.
- **Musical Instruments:** Guitars, percussion, strings, woodwinds, brass, and electric keyboards.
- **Home and Garden:** Air purifiers, baby monitors, vacuum cleaners, power tools, electric razors, sewing machines, and medical equipment.
- **Non-Fiction Books:** Cookbooks, craft books, textbooks, etc.
- **Collectibles:** Comics, Figurines, Trading Cards, etc.
- **Pottery, Cookware & Glass Dinnerware:** China, Porcelain, Art Pottery, Stoneware, etc.

The Community Garage Sale will be taking place on the same day from 8am - 1pm in the Addison Conference Centre Parking lot.

April 29 Garage Sale Vendor Application Now Available

The next Community Garage Sale is planned for Saturday, April 29 from 8am - 1pm in the Addison Conference Centre parking lot. Vendor applications are now available [on the Town's website](#). As a reminder, you must be an Addison resident to be a garage sale vendor, only one booth is allowed per address, and the fee is \$20. The event will be held in conjunction with an Earth Day Block Party in Addison Circle Park that will include recycling and document shredding on Festival Way from noon - 2pm.



Free Mosquito Dunks and Repellant Available at Athletic Club and Town Hall

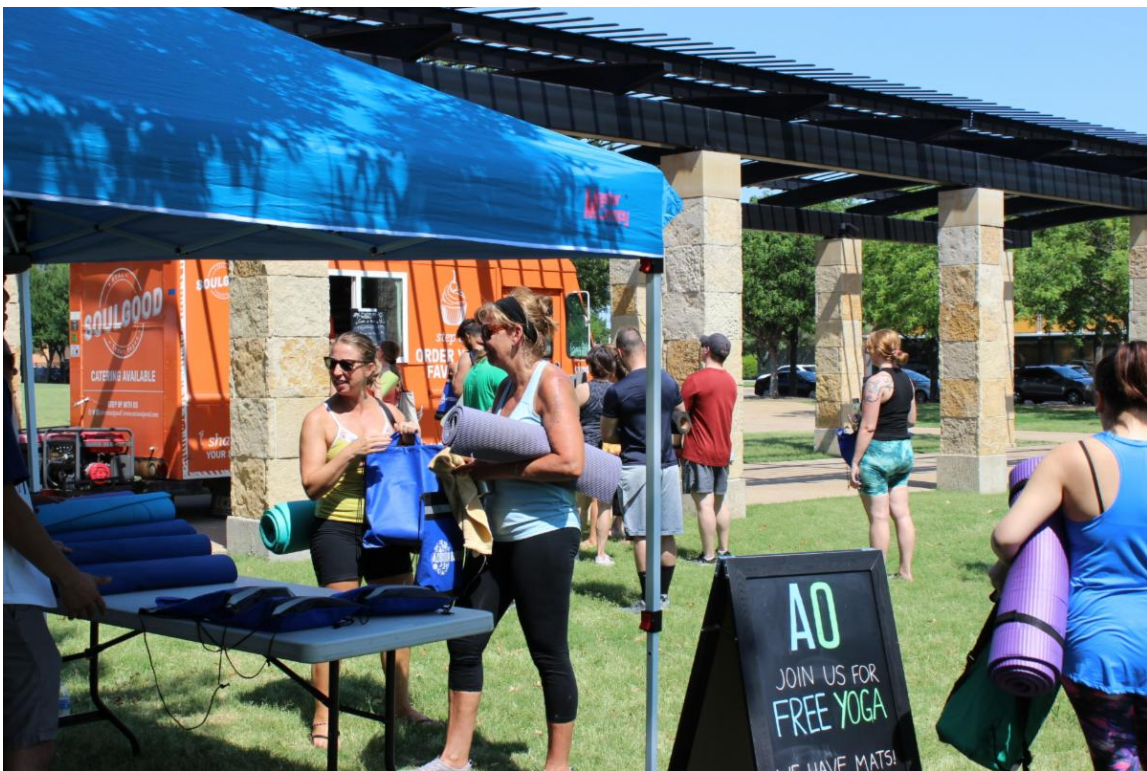


To help Addison residents reduce the number of mosquitoes, and to protect themselves from mosquitoes, the Town of Addison Environmental Health Division is giving away free Mosquito Dunks and Mosquito Repellant to Addison residents. Both products will be available while supply lasts at the Addison Athletic Center and at Addison Town Hall beginning Monday, April 10. There is a limit of two packages of dunks and one repellant per household.

Mosquito Dunks® are small, donut-shaped objects that float on the surface of the water and release bacteria that kill mosquito larvae in the water before they become adults. A single dunk will treat an area of about 100 square feet. It is important to know the approximate dimensions of your area to ensure that you get the proper number of dunks for effective treatment.

Mosquito Repellant helps avoid mosquito bites while outdoors. Always follow the label instructions when using either of these products.

Free Yoga in Addison Circle Park on April 22



Namaste and play with games and FREE yoga in Addison Circle Park on April 22. Bring your mat and find your center for a yoga session hosted by Addison Circle Yoga. Yoga starts at 10:30am and games are available from 10am - 12pm. Food will be available through the concessionaire at the Addison Circle Park pavilion.

Register for Summer Camp



ADDISON

Summer Camp 2023

Spend the summer with Addison Parks & Recreation!
Featuring special guests, swimming, gym time, Les Lacs Park, crafts and so much more!

June 5 - August 4
\$125/week*

Weeks at a Glance

- ✓ June 5 - 9: Skyhawks Sports
- ✓ June 12 - 16: Field Trip - Bolder Adventure Park
- ✓ June 19 - 23: Play-Well TEKnologies
- ✓ June 26 - 30: Adventures in Art
- ✓ July 3 - 7: Field Trip - Ninja Nation
- ✓ July 10 - 14: Challenge Island
- ✓ July 17 - 21: Chefsville**
- ✓ July 24 - 28: Field Trip - NRH20
- ✓ July 31 - Aug 4: Field Trip - KidZania

The 411

7:30am - 6:00pm
Ages: 6 - 12 years

Camp Location

 Addison Athletic Club
3900 Beltway Drive

*Additional fee required for guests
**Additional \$25 supply fee required

Questions? 972-450-7297 rwagner@addisontx.gov

Spend the summer with Addison Parks and Recreation! Registration for Summer Camp at the Athletic Club is open. Make sure to reserve a spot for one or more of these fun-filled weeks!

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

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channel 16 for Spectrum subscribers)

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