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September 22, 2023

Council Updates

Council Receives Les Lacs Improvement Project Update



On August 23, more than 90 residents attended an [informational presentation](#) at the Athletic Club about the Les Lacs Pond Improvement Project. Assistant Parks Director Joe Pack shared a condensed version of that presentation with the City Council at its September 12 meeting. The project includes the replacement of the Les Lacs Pond liner, addressing the failing pond edge and ADA issues, and correction of erosion / maintenance concerns.

Residents can receive information on this project several ways:

- **Project Website:** www.addisontexas.net/leslacspond
- **Text Updates:** LESLACS to 888-777
- **Email Updates:** [Register here](#)

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





Jimmy Barker Appointed to Serve on Planning & Zoning Commission

At its September 12 meeting, the City Council appointed Jimmy Barker to fill the unexpired term of Planning & Zoning Commissioner Juli Branson. Commissioner Branson notified Mayor Arfsten in August of her intent to resign from P&Z. Her term was due to expire on December 31, 2023.

Answers to Council Questions Now Included on City Council Meeting Agendas

WORK SESSION

The Addison City Council will convene for the Work Session in the Acacia Room beginning at 6:00 PM.

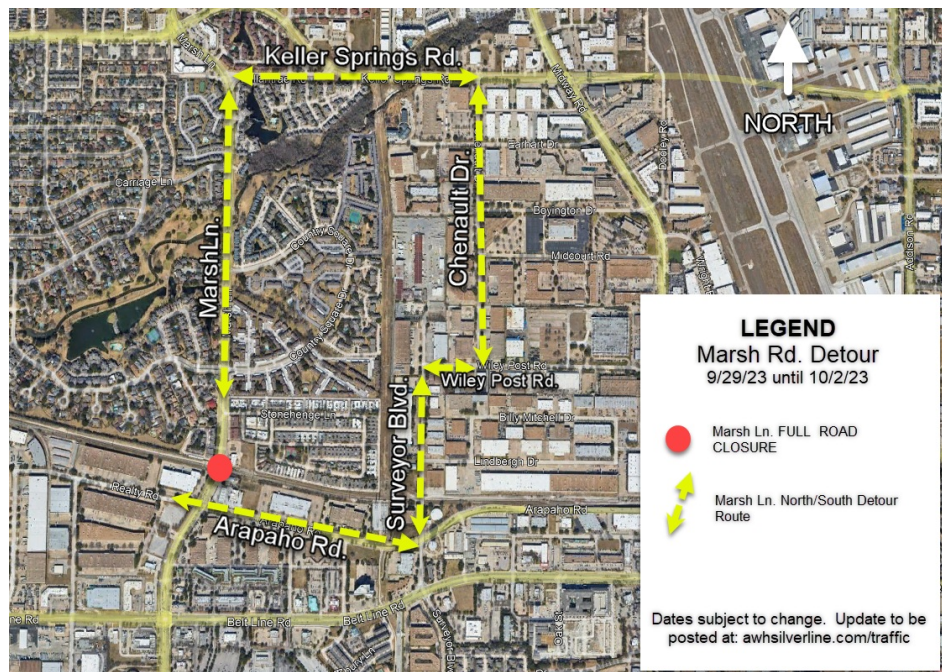
-  **Call Meeting to Order and Announce that a Quorum is Present.**
- Pledge of Allegiance.** United States and Texas Flags
-  **Citizen Comments on the Consent Agenda Items.** This item allows citizens to speak on any item listed on the Consent Agenda prior to its consideration. Citizen comments are limited to three (3) minutes, unless otherwise required by law. To address the Council, please fill out a City Council Appearance Card and submit it to a staff member prior to the beginning of this item.
-  **Council Member Clarification Requests Regarding Consent Agenda Items.**
-  **Council Questions and Answers.**

City Council meeting agendas are posted [on the Town's website](#) and shared with Council Members three days prior to any meeting. After reviewing it, the Council will send questions about specific items to the city management team. Town staff will provide responses before the meeting. In order to provide valuable insights into the Council's decision-making process and promote a more inclusive local governance experience, this question-and-answer document is now included as a dedicated agenda item.

Once the answers have been shared with Council, the agenda will be updated with a public link. If you have any questions about the Town's agenda process, please contact Deputy City Manager Passion Hayes at phayes@addisontx.gov.

Construction Corner

Three-Day Marsh Lane Closure Scheduled for 9/29 - 10/2



Archer Western Herzog (AWH), DART's Silver Line contractor, is planning a full closure of Marsh Lane at the railroad crossing just north of Arapaho Road from **Friday, September 29 at 8pm - Monday, October 2 at 6am**. The full closure is necessary to lay new rail across Marsh in one piece with no joints. Traffic heading north on Marsh will be detoured

to Arapaho and traffic heading south onto Country Club. Please consider alternate routes during the closure.

Stormwater Detention System Placement Complete



This week, the contractor for the [Rawhide Creek Basin Drainage and ADA Improvements Project](#) placed the stormwater detention drainage structure at the end of the trail along Marsh Lane. This system, which is the first of its kind in the area, will help the Town manage the runoff from the upgraded stormwater system recently installed in the adjacent neighborhood. Over the next month, new sod will be installed in the impacted area and landscaping will be replaced before the trail is reopened in mid to late October.

Thank you to residents for their patience as we work to make Addison a better place to live, work, and play.

Around Town

Addison Oktoberfest Draws Large Crowds to Town





From Thursday, September 14 through Sunday, September 17, thousands of people gathered in Addison Circle Park to revel in German culture, food, music, and bier, enjoying a taste of the original Oktoberfest with a purely Texan twist. Adults, kids, and dogs alike donned dirndls and lederhosen to celebrate the 36th year of Addison Oktoberfest.

Addison Hosts Inaugural City Sips and Scoop



On Tuesday, September 19, Addison hosted its inaugural City Sips and Scoop event at Toasted Yolk. City Manager David Gaines and CFO Steven Glickman provided updates on the recently adopted [Fiscal Year 2024 Budget](#). Mayor Bruce Arfsten and Council Members Nancy Craig and Darren Gardner, along with a number of Town staff, were also in attendance to answer questions and receive community feedback.

Addison will be holding regular City Sips & Scoop events during which Addison staff and/or City Council members will provide the community with updates on projects, events, and matters of interest. Make sure to mark your calendar for the next few events:

- October 17** – Java & Hopps (8:30am)
 - January 16** – Dunn Bros (8:30am)
 - February 20** – Original Pancake House (8:30am)
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Metrocrest Chamber Hold Ribbon Cutting for Addison Cy-Fair Animal Hospital



On Wednesday, September 13, the Metrocrest Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Cy-Fair Animal Hospital at 15003 Inwood Road. Mayor Bruce Arfsten joined the Chamber's staff and ambassadors to welcome the new business to Addison.

Based out of the Houston area, Cy-Fair is a full-service animal hospital that specializes in today's leading veterinarian techniques. They accept both walk-ins and scheduled appointments. The community and their pets are invited to come in and meet their veterinarians and staff.

If Cy-Fair Animal Hospital sounds familiar, it may be because the journey of planning and building the first hospital ultimately gave way to the hit Animal Planet reality series "The Vet Life." The series captures Dr. Diarra Blue, Dr. Aubrey Ross, and Dr. Michael Lavigne as they juggle running a business while managing their family life filled with spouses, parents, in-laws, children, pets, and friends, as well as their intense moments saving the lives of animals at their clinic.

Find out more more about Cy-Fair Animal Hospital and book an appointment [here](#).

Archer Western Herzog Provides Silver Line Info Over Ice Cream



Archer Western Herzog (AWH) held an ice cream social on Wednesday, September 20 at

Java and Hopps in Addison Circle Park to provide updates on the the Silver Line construction process. Mayor Bruce Arfsten, Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore Guillermo Quintanilla, and Council Member Nancy Craig were also there to answer community questions. You can find more project information on their website at www.awhsilverline.com.

Addison Welcomes Wayne Emerson as New Economic Development Director Following Nationwide Search



The Town of Addison is pleased to announce the appointment of Wayne Emerson as the new Economic Development Director, following an extensive nationwide search. Emerson brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the role, having demonstrated a remarkable track record of fostering economic growth and development throughout his career.

In his new role, Emerson will lead Addison's efforts to promote economic prosperity, enhance the business climate, and create job opportunities through comprehensive development approaches. His vision and commitment align perfectly with the Town's goals of ensuring a vibrant and prosperous future for our community.

[Read More](#)

Eat Your Way Around Addison Circle



The iconic Addison Circle Park has been a charming urban oasis for decades, offering a convenient proximity to local shops, eateries, and entertainment. The sprawling green spaces practically beg you to have a picnic and soak up the sun, but you can also opt for the many restaurants that surround the Circle. Read below to see how you can eat your way around one of Addison's most delicious neighborhoods.

[Read More](#)

Be Aware of Utility Billing Scams



ALERT! Water bill scammers have been taking advantage of residents and businesses throughout North Texas. Although Addison has not had any reported incidents, [this WFAA story](#) shares how prolific this scam has been.

Addison's Finance Department wanted to share a few important reminders to protect the

Town's residents and businesses:

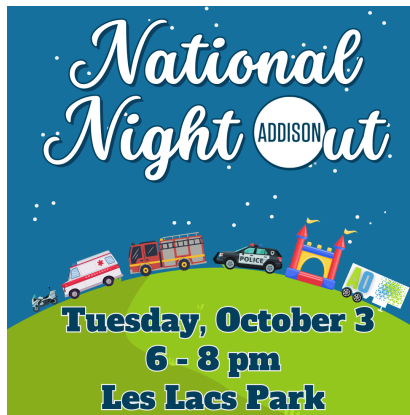
- Addison will notify you of a delinquent bill by mail, *never by phone*.
- Addison does not collect payments through CashApp or any other third-party payment system. Here are all of the Town's payment options:

- Online in the [Utility Billing Portal](#)
- Mail through a Lockbox at the Finance building
- In person at the Finance building (5350 Belt Line Road)

Please call the Finance Department at 972-450-7091 if you have any questions or concerns regarding billing.

Upcoming Events

Addison to Host a National Night Out Event in Les Lacs Park on October 3



Join Addison for a night of community at National Night Out! Get up close with fire trucks and learn about fire safety and explore police cars and meet our local officers. There will also be a food truck, cotton candy and more! Grab a lawn chair or blanket and come enjoy time in the park with neighbors.

**Tuesday, October 3
6 – 8pm
Les Lacs Park**

Howl-O-Ween AO Pop Up for Dogs

Come enjoy a free Paw-some Addison Outdoors program! Join us at Spruill Dog Park and get a photo of you and your best four-legged friend. There will be games and free photographs. Dress your pup up in its best costume for a costume contest! Prizes will be awarded.

**Saturday, October 7
12 – 1pm
Spruill Dog Park**



FREE Pop-Up Yoga Hosted By Addison Outdoors

Namaste and play with games and free yoga. 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 10 - 12pm. Food will be available through the concessionaire at the Addison Circle Park pavilion.



**Saturday, October 7
10am - 12pm
Addison Circle Park**

Corporate Field Day is October 19

Come compete with other Addison businesses for awards, prizes, and most importantly, bragging rights during 2023 Corporate Field Day. The fee is \$200 per team. Businesses are allowed multiple teams.

**Thursday, October 19
Addison Circle Park**

[Register Here](#)



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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