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Town of Addison, TX

Update to credit analysis

Summary

The Town of Addison, TX's (Aaa stable) credit profile benefits from a strong economy situated within the DFW metropolitan area, with a significant corporate commercial office presence that remains sound. The rating incorporates the town's strong financial operations leading to a robust available fund balance of 90% of total revenue. This is further strengthened by significant liquidity outside the primary operational fund. Reserves will remain strong and above average. The town benefits from skilled management, employing prudent budgeting and fiscal strategies. Other positive factors include income levels exceeding the national average with a per capita full value of \$359,400 as well a manageable leverage at 203.7% of operating revenue.

Credit strengths

- » Sound financial practices evidenced by high reserves
- » Major commercial economic center
- » Income and wealth indicators exceed national levels

Credit challenges

- » Above average reliance on commercial property and sales tax revenue compared to peers
- » Debt levels are slightly elevated compared to peers with slower than average repayment

Rating outlook

The stable outlook reflects our view that town's management team will continue to maintain balanced operations supported by a stable economy and solid liquidity position which contributes to a stable credit profile over the medium term.

Factors that could lead to an upgrade

» Not applicable

Factors that could lead to a downgrade

- » Material reduction in reserves below 25% of total revenue
- » Major economic downturn or substantial decrease in sales tax revenue, which is the primary revenue stream
- » Sizeable debt issuance leading to a leverage above 350% of operating revenues

Key indicators

Exhibit 1 Addison (Town of) TX

	2020	2021	2022	2023	Aaa Medians
Economy					
Resident income ratio (%)	110.7%	103.0%	100.5%	N/A	170.6%
Full Value (\$000)	\$4,819,907	\$4,925,943	\$5,075,396	\$5,576,317	\$8,680,662
Population	15,428	16,405	17,026	N/A	36,119
Full value per capita (\$)	\$312,413	\$300,271	\$298,097	N/A	N/A
Annual Growth in Real GDP	-1.2%	7.9%	5.7%	N/A	4.9%
Financial Performance					
Revenue (\$000)	\$74,844	\$80,575	\$84,562	\$110,749	\$101,733
Available fund balance (\$000)	\$67,641	\$71,178	\$76,753	\$99,538	\$62,520
Net unrestricted cash (\$000)	\$115,081	\$126,464	\$132,230	\$132,115	\$88,880
Available fund balance ratio (%)	90.4%	88.3%	90.8%	89.9%	61.7%
Liquidity ratio (%)	153.8%	157.0%	156.4%	119.3%	91.1%
Leverage					
Debt (\$000)	\$124,722	\$133,844	\$149,827	\$150,321	\$68,781
Adjusted net pension liabilities (\$000)	\$78,253	\$101,408	\$87,756	\$70,643	\$105,726
Adjusted net OPEB liabilities (\$000)	\$4,270	\$4,652	\$4,600	\$3,377	\$11,674
Other long-term liabilities (\$000)	\$1,294	\$1,436	\$1,341	\$1,249	\$3,903
Long-term liabilities ratio (%)	278.6%	299.5%	288.0%	203.7%	258.2%
Fixed costs					
Implied debt service (\$000)	\$6,739	\$8,932	\$9,388	\$10,464	\$4,899
Pension tread water contribution (\$000)	\$2,575	\$2,096	\$2,295	\$2,088	\$3,333
OPEB contributions (\$000)	\$147	\$204	\$230	\$240	\$503
Implied cost of other long-term liabilities (\$000)	\$74	\$93	\$101	\$94	\$262
Fixed-costs ratio (%)	12.7%	14.1%	14.2%	11.6%	11.2%

For definitions of the metrics in the table above please refer to the <u>US Cities and Counties Methodology</u> or see the Glossary in the Appendix below. Metrics represented as N/A indicate the data were not available at the time of publication. The medians come from our most recently published <u>US Cities and Counties Median Report</u>. The real GDP annual growth metric cited above is for the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metropolitan Statistical Area Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Sources: US Census Bureau, Addison (Town of) TX's financial statements and Moody's Ratings, US Bureau of Economic Analysis

Profile

The Town of Addison is located in Dallas County in north central Texas, approximately 12 miles north of downtown Dallas. The Town of Addison is 12 miles north of downtown Dallas in <u>Dallas County</u> (Aaa stable). The town is home to several office spaces and the economy sees a high concentration of profession jobs with an estimated daytime population of 125,000 while the current population estimate is about 17,700.

Detailed credit considerations

Economy

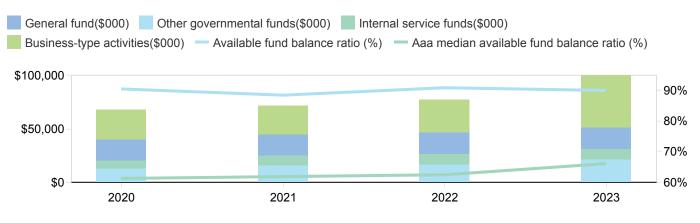
The town is likely to sustain its strong economic expansion on the back of the robust Dallas/Fort Worth area economy, complemented by ongoing mixed-use and residential projects. Despite nearing full development with a certified tax base of \$6.1 billion in fiscal 2024, the town's economy heavily depends on its retail, commercial and industrial sectors, accounting for 45.4% of the fiscal 2024 assessed value leading to a strong and above average full value per capita estimated to be \$359,400 in fiscal 2024. Current developments include a mixed-used project and townhomes, along with office spaces, retail shops, eateries and multifamily residences in a Transit Oriented Development (TOD) situated near the <u>Dallas Area Rapid Transit</u> (DART) (Aa2 stable) Silver Line, which is under construction and expected to start operations in late 2025.

The town is anticipated to maintain its robust financial health because of prudent budgeting and steady increases in revenue. The fiscal 2024 budget is on track, with all funds meeting or exceeding expectations. The town ended fiscal 2023 with a significant fund balance

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of approximately \$99.5 million, representing 90% of its total yearly revenue, far surpassing the average for peers with Aaa ratings. While liquidity is projected to stay higher than normal, around \$2.8 million might be allocated in 2025 for capital improvements at the local airport and utility systems. At the end of fiscal 2023, the town reported considerable liquidity of about \$132.1 million, accounting for an exceedingly solid 119% of annual revenue.

Exhibit 2 Fund Balance



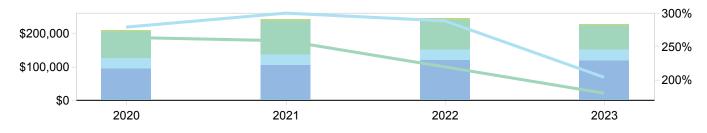
Source: Moody's Ratings

Addison's debt ratio may rise modestly because of upcoming bond issues over the next few years, but the town is likely to keep debt levels manageable because of its robust tax base and revenue gains. By the end of fiscal year 2023, leverage reached 203%, which accounts for debt, pensions and other post-employment benefits (OPEB). Fixed costs are a reasonable 11.6% of revenue. Including the planned \$10.7 million bonds in 2024, the town's total leverage is projected to increase slightly to approximately 212% of projected revenue. Over the coming three years, Addison anticipates incurring approximately \$44.6 million in additional debt for the redevelopment of Keller Springs Road, Quorum Drive and Montfort Drive. This upcoming debt should not significantly alter long-term liability or fixed cost percentage.

Exhibit 3

Total Primary Government — Long Term Liabilities





Source: Moody's Ratings

ESG considerations

Addison (Town of) TX's ESG credit impact score is CIS-1

Exhibit 4 ESG credit impact score



The Town of Addison, TX's credit impact score is **CIS-1** reflecting positive social attributes, a very strong governance profile, and low exposure to environmental risks, all of which support the city's credit rating, resilience and capacity to respond to shocks.

ESG issuer profile scores ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIAL GOVERNANCE E-2 S-1 G-1 G-1

Source: Moody's Ratings

Environmental

Addison, TX's overall E issuer profile score is **E-2** reflecting relatively low exposure to environmental risks across all categories including physical climate risk, carbon transition, water management, natural capital and waste and pollution.

Social

Addison TX's S issuer profile score is **S-1** reflecting its role as a major employment center in the Dallas Fort Worth area that attracts thousands of workers with an estimated daytime population of 125,000. Given limited availability of land, population growth has been relatively stable although labor and income trends are higher than typical peers. Educational attainment levels in the city are high supporting demand for professional jobs in the area. Although housing costs are rising rapidly, they remain affordable in comparison to other high demand areas of the country. Access to basic services and exposure to health and safety considerations is in line with peers

Governance

Addison TX's very strong governance profile supports its rating, as captured by its **G-1** issuer profile score. The town maintains both strong institutional structure and demonstrated policy credibility and effectiveness. Transparency and disclosure is in line with peers evidenced by a steady history of the timely release of budgets and audited financial statements. Budget management strategies are strong with actual performance typically favorably outpacing budgeted expectations and the city utilizes long range financial and capital planning to guide its longer-term outlook.

ESG Issuer Profile Scores and Credit Impact Scores for the rated entity/transaction are available on Moodys.com. In order to view the latest scores, please click <u>here</u> to go to the landing page for the entity/transaction on MDC and view the ESG Scores section.

Rating methodology and scorecard factors

The US Cities and Counties Methodology includes a scorecard, which summarizes the rating factors generally most important to city and county credit profiles. Because the scorecard is a summary, and may not include every consideration in the credit analysis for a specific issuer, a scorecard-indicated outcome may or may not map closely to the actual rating assigned.

Exhibit 6 Addison (Town of) TX

	Measure	Weight	Score
Economy			
Resident income ratio	100.5%	10.0%	Aa
Full value per capita	359,400	10.0%	Aaa
Economic growth metric	2.0%	10.0%	Aaa
Financial Performance			
Available fund balance ratio	89.9%	20.0%	Aaa
Liquidity ratio	119.3%	10.0%	Aaa
Institutional Framework			
Institutional Framework	Aa	10.0%	Aa
Leverage			
Long-term liabilities ratio	203.7%	20.0%	А
Fixed-costs ratio	11.6%	10.0%	Aa
Notching factors			
No notchings applied			
Scorecard-Indicated Outcome			Aa1
Assigned Rating			Aaa

The Economic Growth metric cited above compares the five-year CAGR of real GDP for Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metropolitan Statistical Area Metropolitan Statistical Area to the five-year CAGR of real GDP for the US.

Sources: US Census Bureau, Addison (Town of) TX's financial statements and Moody's Ratings

Appendix

Exhibit 7

Key Indicators Glossary

	Definition	Typical Source*
Economy		
Resident income ratio	Median Household Income (MHI) for the city or county, adjusted for Regional Price Parity (RPP), as a % of the US MHI	Community Survey 5-Year Estimates RPP: US Bureau of Economic Analysis
Full value	Estimated market value of taxable property in the city or county	State repositories; audited financial statements; continuing disclosures
Population	Population of the city or county	US Census Bureau - American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
Full value per capita	Full value / population	•
Economic growth metric	Five year CAGR of real GDP for Metropolitan Statistical Area or county minus the five-year CAGR of real GDP for the US	Real GDP: US Bureau of Economic Analysis
Financial performance	· · · ·	
Revenue	Sum of revenue from total governmental funds, operating and non- operating revenue from total business-type activities, and non- operating revenue from internal services funds, excluding transfers and one-time revenue, e.g., bond proceeds or capital contributions	Audited financial statements
Available fund balance	Sum of all fund balances that are classified as unassigned, assigned o committed in the total governmental funds, plus unrestricted curren assets minus current liabilities from the city's or county's business- type activities and internal services funds	t
Net unrestricted cash	Sum of unrestricted cash in governmental activities, business type activities and internal services fund, net of short-term debt	Audited financial statements
Available fund balance ratio	Available fund balance (including net current assets from business- type activities and internal services funds) / Revenue	
Liquidity ratio	Net unrestricted cash / Revenue	
Leverage		
Debt	Outstanding long-term bonds and all other forms of long-term debt across the governmental and business-type activities, including debt of another entity for which it has provided a guarantee disclosed in its financial statements	statements
Adjusted net pension liabilities (ANPL)	Total primary government's pension liabilities adjusted by Moody's to standardize the discount rate used to compute the present value of accrued benefits	
Adjusted net OPEB liabilities (ANOL)	Total primary government's net other post-employment benefit (OPEB) liabilities adjusted by Moody's to standardize the discount rate used to compute the present value of accrued benefits	Audited financial statements; Moody's Investors Service
Other long-term liabilities (OLTL)	Miscellaneous long-term liabilities reported under the governmental and business-type activities entries	Audited financial statements
Long-term liabilities ratio	Debt + ANPL + ANOL + OLTL / Revenue	
Fixed costs		
Implied debt service	Annual cost to amortize city or county's long-term debt over 20 years with level payments	Audited financial statements; official statements; Moody's Investors Service
Pension tread water contribution	Pension contribution necessary to prevent reported unfunded pension liabilities from growing, year over year, in nominal dollars, if all actuarial assumptions are met	Audited financial statements; Moody's
OPEB contribution	City or county's actual contribution in a given period	Audited financial statements
Implied cost of OLTL	Annual cost to amortize city or county's other long-term liabilities over 20 years with level payments	Audited financial statements; Moody's Investors Service
Fixed-costs ratio	Implied debt service + Pension tread water + OPEB contributions + Implied cost of OLTL / Revenue	
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