

2016

The heart of Grand Prairie is beating strong.

Photo by Daniel Wheat



Live Life Grand



SH 360 Extension south ground breaking. Photo by Cami McKillop

#### A Message from the Mayor

With major announcements in 2015, we are living life grand in Grand Prairie! From breaking ground on The Epic all-age life center to announcing IKEA is coming to SH 161 and Mayfield; beginning the extension of SH 360 from Camp Wisdom to SH 287 to construction of Fire Station #10 on the peninsula; recruiting for a fine dining restaurant in the historic Fire Station #1 on Main Street to opening the Lodge at Loyd Park, Grand Prairie is poised for great things.

Family friendly, fun galore, perfect location, more amenities than most cities, affordable to affluent housing and a bright future...this is your Grand Prairie today! We appreciate your confidence in your city and look forward to a great 2016.

# Here's a snapshot of the city's top goals for 2016:

- ★ Open Fire Station #10 at South Grand Peninsula and Balboa
- ★ Continue redevelopment of Main Street
- ★ Build The Epic life center, water park, and all-accessible playground to open in 2017
- ★ Widen MacArthur Boulevard to four lanes from I-30 to Hunter-Ferrell Road
- ★ Build I-30 frontage roads from NW 7th Street to Belt Line
- Remodel the Main Library
- ★ Expand kennel capacity at Prairie Paws Animal Adoption Center
- ★ Continue the Live Life Grand DFW-wide ad campaign

Best Regards,



Mayor Ron Jensen and Rebecca Jensen



Ron Jensen, Mayor

#### Grand Prairie City Council -



Ron Jensen Mayor



Jorja Clemson Place 1 Deputy Mayor Pro Tem



Jim Swafford Place 2 Mayor Pro Tem



Lila Thorn Place 3



Richard Fregoe Place 4



Tony Shotwell Place 5



Jeff Wooldridge Place 6



Greg Giessner At Large



Jeff Copeland At Large

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City Manager's Office Tom Hart, City Manager



Tom Cox
Deputy
City Manager



Anna Doll Deputy City Manager



Gina Alley Assistant to the City Manager



Itty Bitty Triathlon.
Photo by Mike Lamb

### 2015 Top Accomplishments

- Announced IKEA will build at SH 161 and Mayfield
- ★ Broke ground on extension of SH 360 from Camp Wisdom to SH 287
- ★ Began construction on Fire Station #10 at South Grand Peninsula and Balboa
- ★ Opened the Lodge and Loyd Cabin at Loyd Park
- Continued façade improvements and redevelopment of Main Street
- ★ Broke ground on The Epic life center, water park and all-access playground
- ★ Completed the Lone Star/Campion Trail
- ★ Completed digital signs at Carrier and I-20; Lynn Creek and Lake Ridge; Carrier and Roy Orr



The historic Uptown Theater hosts concerts, community theater, special events, and more.

Live Life Grand



Willow.
Photo by
Charlise Solis



## January 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			GRand Prairke		New Year's Day  GPISD Student Holiday  City Offices Closed	2
3	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	Martin Luther King Jr. Day City Offices Closed School Holiday	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	20	21	22	23 Privile
24	25	26	27	Frozen fly by. Photo by Chad Ferrell	29 <b>—</b> — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	
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## February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
GRand	1	2	3	4	5	6
PRAIRIE TEXAS	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Valentine's Day		City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29			Chinese New Year at Asia Times Square.		
				Photo by Jarvis Jacobs		255



### March 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
GRand Prairke		1 City Council Meeting	2	3	4	5
T E X A S		6:30 p.m.				
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.					
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Daylight-Saving Time Begins Spring Forward	•		School Spring Break —		<b>-</b>	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.			GPISD School Holiday/ Bad Weather Make-up Day	Eggstravaganza
27 Easter	28	29	30	31 Puppy love. Live Life Grand		



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# April 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Fast and furious at Main Street Festival. <b>Live Life Grand</b>		GRand Prairke		1	2 Farmers Market Opens
3	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	5  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	20	21	22	23  Main Street Festival
24	25	26	27	28	29 Mayor and City Manager sweep Farmers Market Celebrity Chef competition Photo by Erin Fralicks	30



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## May 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				Cinco de Mayo Celebration
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.					City Election Day
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Mother's Day		City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				Dragon Boat Races
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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				Cyclin' with the Mayor. Photo by		GRand De ail ka
	Memorial Day City Offices Closed			Renee Baker		PRairie
	School Holiday					T E X A S



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## June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Big house on the prairie. <i>Live Life Grand</i>	1	2	GPISD Last Day of School	4
5	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	7  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Father's Day	20	21  City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		GRand Prairke



# July 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
GRAND PRaikke		Free fall at Traders Village. <b>Live Life Grand</b>			1	2
Lone Stars & Stripes Fireworks Lone Star Park	Lone Stars & Stripes Fireworks Lone Star Park Independence Day City Offices Closed	5	6	7	8	9
10	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	13	14	15	16
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# August 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.					
28	29	30	31		After the fire. Photo by Chris Pevehouse	



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# September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
POLICE GRAND PRAIRIE		GPPD LOLs. <b>Live Life Grand</b>		1	2	3
4	Labor Day City Offices Closed	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	GRand Prairke



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### October 2016

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GRand Prairke				Night falls downtown. Photo by Fredy Moreno		1
2	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	12	13	14	15
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30	31 BOO! Halloween					



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#### November 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
GRand PRaikke		City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	2	3	4	5
Daylight-Saving Time Ends Fall Back	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	8	9	10	11  Veterans Day	12
13	14	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	Prairie Lights Opens  Thanksgiving Holiday City Offices Closed	25 City Offices Closed	26
27	28	29	30		Pot of gold at Grand Prairie Memorial Library. Photo by Jennifer Walker	



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# December 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
GRand PRaikke	The Summit for active adults. Photo by Will Crews			1	2	Holiday Market at Farmers Market
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		City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				Holiday Market at Farmers Market
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Christmas Day	City Offices Closed					New Year's Eve



## 2017 at a Glance

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Flight of the monarch.
Photo by Kelly Eddlemon



Flower power.
Photo by Candice Race



Sad caterpillar. Photo by Michelle Lee





#### Helpful Numbers

Airport
(Grand Prairie Municipal) 972-237-7591
Animal Services 972-237-8575
Birth Certificates - Dallas County 214-875-2100
Birth Certificates - Tarrant County 817-871-7399
Building Inspections 972-237-8230



Bowles Park. Photo by Randy Gilbert

Car Tags - Dallas County 214-653-7811 Car Tags - Tarrant County 817-884-1100 Chamber of Commerce 9/2-264-1558 City Council and Mayor 972-237-8022 City Manager's Office 972-237-8012 City Secretary 972-237-8035 Code Enforcement 972-237-8296 Communications and Marketing 972-237-8086 **Drivers License** 972-264-6598 Economic Development 972-237-8160 Engineering 972-237-8141 **Environmental Services** 972-237-8055 Fire (911 for emergencies) 972-237-8300 Graffiti Hotline 972-237-8599 **Grand Prairie** 972-237-3001 Memorial Gardens Health Clinic 214-819-2000 Housing & Neighborhood Services 972-237-8176

Human Resources	972-237-8192
Illegal Dumping	972-237-8064
Information Technology	972-237-8382
Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful	972-237-8152
Landfill	972-237-4550
Lake Parks	972-237-4120
Libraries	
Main Library	972-237-5700
Warmack Library	972-237-5770
Shotwell Library	972-237-7540
Marriage License - Dallas County	214-653-7099
Marriage License - Tarrant County	817-548-3928
Municipal Court	972-237-8600
Parks & Recreation	972-237-8100
Planning	972-237-8255
Police (911 for emergencies)	972-237-8790
Public Works	972-237-8154
Purchasing	972-237-8269
Recycling	972-237-8061
Ruthe Jackson Center	972-237-7500
Schools	
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Grand Prairie ISD 972-264-6141 682-867-4611 Arlington ISD Mansfield ISD 817-299-6300 Cedar Hill ISD 972-291-1581 Irving ISD 972-600-5000 1-800-772-1213 Social Security Solid Waste 972-237-8151 Streets 972-237-8525 Taxes - Dallas County 214-653-7811 Taxes - Tarrant County 817-884-1194 972-595-5400 Tourism



Superfun at the Main Street Festival.

Live Life Grand

 Transit - The Grand Connection
 972-237-8546

 Transportation
 972-237-8139

 Water Bills
 972-237-8200

 Water/Wastewater
 972-237-8413

 Water Emergency
 972-237-8400

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