

GRAND PRAIRIE 2023

Grand Prairie
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Farmers Market, photo by Will Crews



GRAND PRAIRIE CITY COUNCIL

Front Row Left to Right

Jorja Clemson, District 1; John Lopez, District 4;
Mayor Ron Jensen; Cole Humphreys, District 5

Back Row Left to Right

Michael Del Bosque, District 3; Kurt G. Johnson, District 6;
Jacquin Headen, District 2; Junior Ezeonu, At-Large;
Jeff Copeland, At-Large

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Left to Right

Bill Hills, Deputy City Manager
Cheryl DeLeon, Deputy City Manager
Steve Dye, City Manager
Megan Mahan, Assistant City Manager and City Attorney
Gerald Hodges, Assistant to the City Manager

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Big things continue to happen in Grand Prairie, as we continue building out EpicCentral and adding major businesses, like Bass Pro Shops and Andretti Karting and Games, to the SH 161 corridor. Our six restaurants in EpicCentral will open early 2023, along with the water and light show, while construction continues on the hotels and conference center.

Grand Prairie continued to gather accolades, including

- **#1 Best Pickleball Party - Chicken N Pickle**, D Magazine 2022
- **#1 Epic Waters Best Water Park in DFW**, Dallas Observer 2021
- **#2 Happiest City in DFW, #3 Happiest City in Texas**, WalletHub.com 2022
- **#3 Best City to Live on a Budget of \$5,000 a Month in USA**, GoBankingRates.com 2022
- **#5 Best Place to Move in USA**, New York Times 2022
- **#9 Safest City in Texas**, FBI 2022
- **American Heart Association Gold Standard Certification for EMS response times**
- **#8 Best Staycation in USA**, WalletHub.com 2021
- **Taco Chronicles features Zavala's BBQ**, Netflix 2022



Ron Jensen
Mayor, Grand Prairie



Photo by Lea Rhea Capote

TOP 2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Decreased the property tax rate by ½ cent in 2022-2023 budget
- Increased the Homestead Exemption by 2.5% for 2023
- Rolled out Via Grand Prairie on-demand affordable shared transit system
- Brought all city employees up to the Dallas County Living Wage
- Celebrated Bolder Adventure Park opening
- Broke ground to widen Wildlife Parkway from Belt Line to SH 161
- Named a street in honor of Dolores Huerta, honoring her work as a civil and labor rights activist
- Continued construction on two hotels with a connecting conference center and six restaurants in EpicCentral thanks to voter approval of a \$75 million bond package
- Launched a new city website
- Built the new Tranquil Adventures Pod at PlayGrand Adventures all-abilities playground

TOP 2023 GOALS

- Open six restaurants in EpicCentral
- Debut the water and light show in EpicCentral
- Enjoy Major League Cricket in the newly renovated cricket stadium
- Complete Camp Wisdom widening
- Create redevelopment plans for Turner, Tyre and Mi Familia parks
- Plan for a new Fire Station #11 and Emergency Operations Center
- Remodel the Main Library entry and front lobby
- Welcome Hobby Lobby and Andretti Karting and Games in 2023; and Bass Pro Shops in 2024
- Start construction of Stadium Drive from Tarrant Road to the I-30 frontage road
- Launch new City App and Text for Info systems



**Epic New You at The Epic
Arts, Fitness and Entertainment Center**
Photo by Tamara Hansen



Lunar New Year at Asia Times Square
Photo by Live Life Grand

JANUARY

2023

FEBRUARY 2023

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1	2 New Year's Holiday City Offices Closed	3 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	4	5	6	7
8	9 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day City Offices Closed	17 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	18	19	20	21
22	23 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	24	25	26	27	28
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It's always summer at EpicWaters
Photo by Pyro Communications



FEBRUARY

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MARCH 2023

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Snow Angel <i>Photo by Marina Bustillo</i>			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	8	9	10	11
12	13 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	14  VALENTINE'S DAY	15	16	17	18
19	20 Presidents' Day	21 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	22	23	24	25
26	27 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	28				



Big Event serving commUNITY

Photo by Marina Bustillo



MARCH

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5	6	7 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	8	9	10	11
12 Daylight-Saving Time Begins Spring Forward	13 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	22	23	24	25 The Big Event city-wide volunteer day
26	27 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	28	29	30	31	



Main Street Fest family fun

Photo by Nikki Funderburk

APRIL

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	 Egg-stravaganza <i>Photo by Nikki Funderburk</i>					1
2	3	4 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	5	6	7 Good Friday	8
9 Easter	10 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	19	20	21 Main Street Fest	22 Main Street Fest
23 Main Street Fest	24 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	25	26	27	28	29
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Cinco de Mayo parade and festival
Photo by Will Crews

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	1	2 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	3	4	5 Cinco de Mayo	6 City Election Day gptx.org/elections
7	8 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	9	10	11	12	13
14 Mother's Day	15	16 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	17	18	19	20
21	22 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Memorial Day City Offices Closed	30	31	 <p>May Flowers Photos by Bob Fitch</p>		



Downtown dining at Fire House Gastro Park
Photo by Live Life Grand



Crawfish Boil
 Photo by Nikki Funderburk

JUNE

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	P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.				
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Father's Day	Juneteenth	City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.			
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	P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.				





PlayGrand Adventures all-ability park

Photo by Nikki Funderburk



JULY

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<p>EpicCentral - Epic in Every Way Photo by Live Life Grand</p> 						1
2	3	4 Independence Day City Offices Closed	5	6	7	8
9	10 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	11 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	12	13	14	15
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23	24 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	25	26	27	28	29
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Badges and Books at Main Library
Photo by Cathy Le



AUGUST

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SEPTEMBER 2023

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Have Bolder Adventures <i>Photo by Pyro Communications</i>		1 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	2	3	4	5
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13	14 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	15 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	16	17	18	19
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27	28 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	29	30	31		



Friday Night Lights
Photo by Angelica Tapia

SEPTEMBER 2023

OCTOBER 2023

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		Fire Station #3 <i>Photo by Marina Bustillo</i>				
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	Labor Day City Offices Closed	City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.					
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		City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.				
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	P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.					



Glow Bubbles at Main Library

Photo by Cathy Le



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NOVEMBER 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 National Night Out	4	5	6	7
8	9 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	10 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	11	12	13	14
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22	23 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 BOO! Halloween				

Street N Treat
Photo by Nikki Funderburk





Veterans Day

Photo by Nikki Funderburk



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Día de los Muertos <i>Photo by Eliseo Berumen</i>			1	2	3	4
5 Daylight-Saving Time Ends Fall Back	6	7 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	8	9	10	11 Veterans Day
12	13 P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.	22	23 Thanksgiving City Offices Closed	24 City Offices Closed	25
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Prairie Lights
Photo by Nikki Funderburk

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	P&Z Meeting 6:30 P.M.	City Council Meeting 6:30 P.M.				
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31	Christmas Day City Offices Closed	City Offices Closed				
New Year's Eve						



Grand Prairie Airport
Photo by Kenny Burke

2024 AT A GLANCE

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Main Street Photo Opp
Photo by Isabel Salinas



Movies in the Park, EpicCentral
Photo by Nikki Funderburk



City Hall Central

Photo by Don Johnson

HELPFUL NUMBERS

Airport (Grand Prairie Municipal)	972-237-7591
Animal Services	972-237-8575
Birth Certificates - Dallas County	214-653-7099
Birth Certificates - Tarrant County	817-884-1550
Building Inspections	972-237-8230
Car Tags - Dallas County	214-751-4040
Car Tags - Tarrant County	817-884-1100
Chamber of Commerce	972-264-1558
City Council and Mayor	972-237-8022
City Manager's Office	972-237-8010
City Secretary	972-237-8035
Code Compliance	972-237-8296
Communications and Marketing	972-237-8086
Drivers License	972-343-2520
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 Memorial Gardens	972-237-3001
Health Clinic (Parkland)	214-266-3400
Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	972-639-3778
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

Grand Prairie 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	817-884-1550
Municipal Court	972-237-8600
Parks, Arts & 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
School Districts	
Grand Prairie ISD	972-264-6141
Arlington ISD	682-867-4611
Mansfield ISD	817-299-6300
Cedar Hill ISD	972-291-1581
Irving ISD	972-600-5000
Social Security	1-800-772-1213
Solid Waste	972-237-8151
Streets	972-237-8527
Taxes - Dallas County	214-653-7811
Taxes - Tarrant County	817-884-1100
Tourism	972-595-5400
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



Wedding at Ruthe Jackson Center, photo by Gladys Sosa



Playing at PlayGrand Adventures, photo by Eli Jaramillo



Performing at Farmers Market, photo by Troy Thorn

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