

The Grapevine

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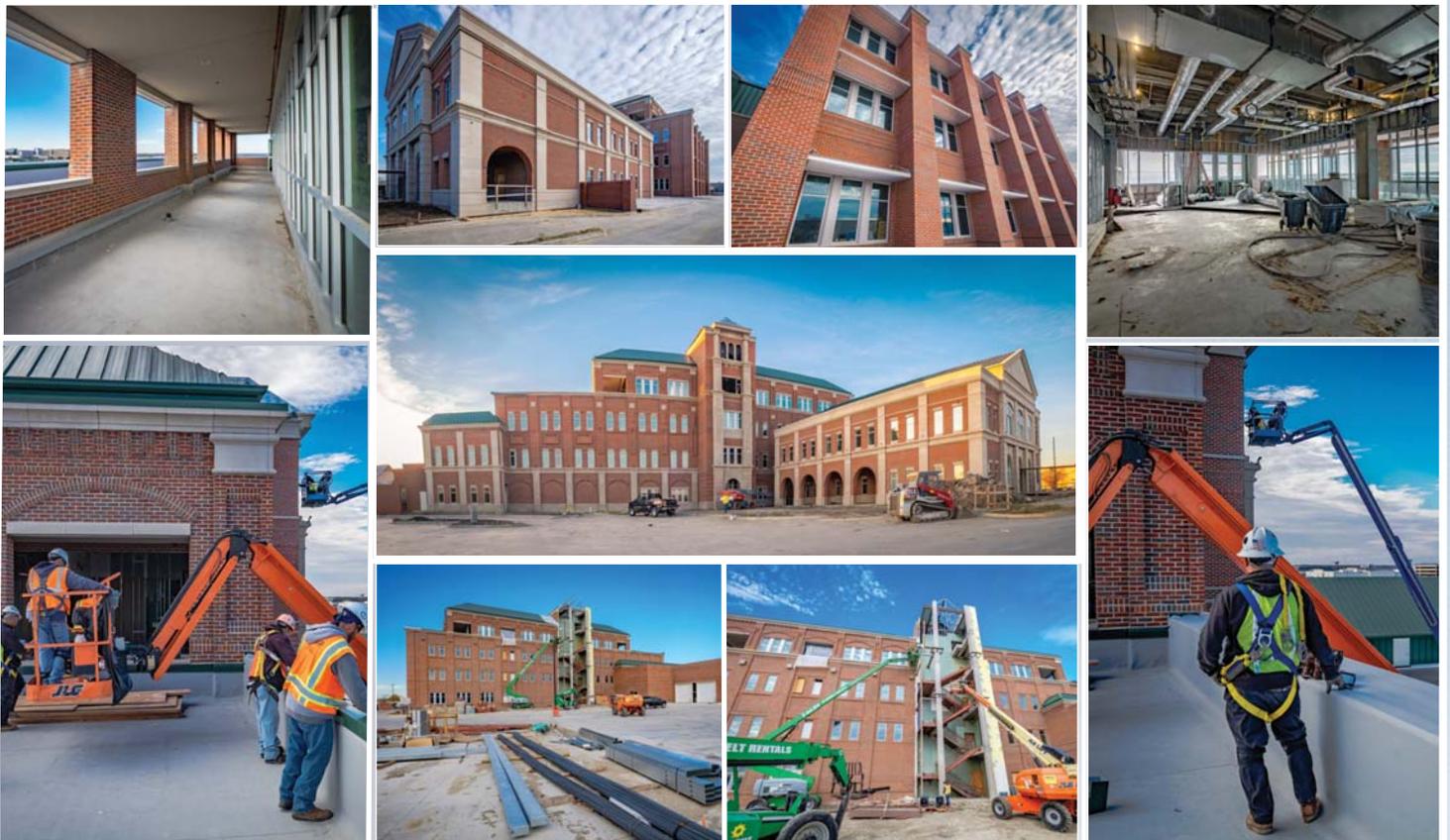
January - March 2017

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING SET TO OPEN THIS SUMMER

Grapevine citizens voted in favor of a new Public Safety Building in 2012 as part of the \$68 million bond proposal package which also included the funding of The REC. This new facility is located on Dallas Road, east of Target and will be home to our Police Department, Municipal Court, Fire Department Administration, Information Technology Department and Logistics. This multi-level facility will boast three different buildings on one campus totaling approximately 104,000 square feet. Our first responders will also benefit from enhanced technology allowing them to better assist Grapevine citizens. The Grapevine Public Safety Building is currently 80% complete. The outside

portion of the project consists of landscape, irrigation and lighting and is in final stages of completion. Interior finishes consist of office, bathroom, storage, meeting, locker room, workout space facility for Police and Fire staff and jail and courtroom construction. The brick and façade finishes of the buildings are currently 95% complete and substantial completion is scheduled for May of 2017. Final completion is scheduled for mid-summer, 2017. Visit our City of Grapevine social media channels and GrapevineTexas.gov for future updates regarding this state-of-the-art facility designed to assist us in better serving our community.

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LIBRARY

CLEAN SWEEP 2017 SERIES:

Annmarie Randazzo – Join us as Annmarie shows us how to make your own non-toxic cleaning products and disinfectants with safe, affordable and easy-to-find ingredients. Saturday, February 4, 2 pm.

Target-A-Book Read!

Ongoing adult reading challenge! Read book(s) from a specified genre every month and enter to win Target gift cards.

CHILDREN'S:

Fort Worth Opera for Kids: The Bremen Town Musicians – Thursday, February 9 at 7 pm

Featuring the music of Offenbach, Rossini, Donizetti, and Verdi, John Davies has adapted the tale of Dorabella the Cat, Barcarolle the Dog, Eddie Pensier the Rooster, and General Boom the Donkey into a delightful children's opera. General Boom seeks to form a band for the town of Bremen using the outcast farm animals as musicians. It doesn't take long for them to discover that they have to consider each other's feelings before they can make music, but can the four very different creatures band together before pirates steal all their instruments?

TEENS AND TWEENS:

Are you uninterested in Valentine's Day? If so, come hang out at the library with Miss Kansas. We will make gray valentines, color sad pandas, break a heart piñata, and make black, duct tape roses! Ages 10 and up! Tuesday, February 14, 6:30-8 pm.

Pop-Up Storytimes

Same-day surprise storytimes and puppet shows will be announced on Grapevine Public Library's Facebook and Twitter, or text @grapekids to the number 81010 to sign-up for text alerts for these fun library surprises.



ON-GOING CREATE/IT PROGRAMS:

Lego Mindstorm EV3 Robotics

Sign-up for robotics workshops using Lego Mindstorms EV3s. These workshops are for middle/high school students — minimum age 10. Please sign up for only one session per month.

Game Design

Learn all about game design and build your own games using Game Maker, Construct 2, and ClickTeam softwares. Ages 10+.

Blender Basics

This course will demonstrate how to maneuver and manipulate in a 3D environment. Students will learn basic 3D modeling skills that can easily be applied to other 3D modeling programs. The students will be tasked to construct various objects. Please register for only one of the posted Blender sessions at a time. This class is for students aged 12 and up.

CAD with 123D Design

Learn how to create 3D objects using Autodesk 123D Design. Spaces are limited. Register at Library.GrapevineTexas.gov. Ages 12+.

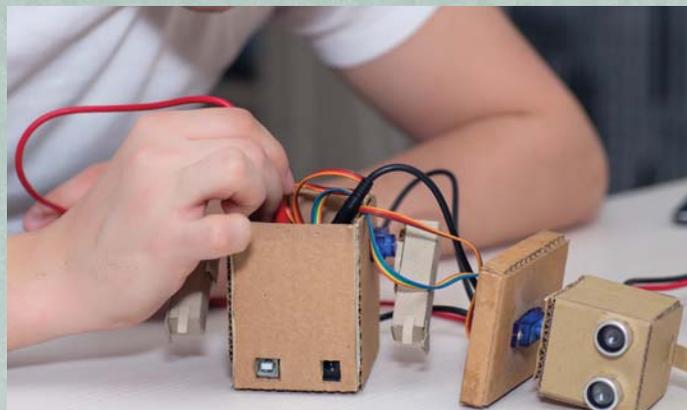
Sphero

Learn to program a Sphero robot and work through numerous tasks and objectives.

Arduino

Work your way through projects that teach you how to wire an Arduino microcontroller.

3D Printing is available in Create/It at 10 cents per gram of material used. Visit Library.GrapevineTexas.gov or email CreateIt@GrapevineTexas.gov for more information.



Please visit Library.GrapevineTexas.gov for additional events added to our calendar and for on-going events such as Storytimes, Entwined Minds Book Club, R.E.A.D. to a Furry Friend, Knitting and Quilting Groups, Genealogy Name Droppers, technology programs, and more. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

GRAPEVINE CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

Grand and Tower Galleries, 636 South Main Street.
"Working Hands: An Exhibition of Photographs by Rick Williams,"
January 20 - March 12; Open daily. Monday - Friday, 8 am - 5 pm;
Saturday, 10 am - 6:30 pm and Sunday, Noon - 5 pm. Free. For
details, visit GrapevineMuseums.com.

**Settlement to City Museums at Ted R. Ware Plaza - 206 West
Hudgins.** Learn the history of Grapevine through hands-on activities,
photographs and artifacts. Tuesday – Saturday, 10 am - 4 pm.
Sunday, 11 am - 4 pm. Free.

Palace Theatre, 300 South Main Street. View a First Friday or
Classic Film Series movie; 7:30 pm. \$6 per person. Enjoy a variety
of live entertainment throughout the year. For schedule and tickets,
please visit Palace-Theatre.com or call 817.410.3100.

Nash Farm, 626 Ball Street. Experience 1800s farm life: Frugal
Farm Wife, First Fridays at the Farm or one of many special
events at Nash Farm. Visit NashFarm.org for a full listing of events.

**Grapevine Vintage Railroad - Cotton Belt Railroad District,
705 South Main Street.** Ride the rails for a family-friendly vintage
railroad experience for the entire family. The Grapevine Vintage
Railroad resumes service with its spring schedule in February. Visit
GVRR.com for schedules, special events and more details.

Sweetheart Wine Trail - Historic Downtown Grapevine. February
11 & 12, 11 am - 5 pm. Along the wine trail, guests will taste three
varieties of wines from each winery and enjoy food complements.
Must be 21 and over. Visit GrapevineWineryTrail.com for more details.

Grapevine Convention Center, 1209 South Main Street. A
variety of events for the entire family. For more details, please
visit GrapevineConventionCenter.com or call 817.410.3459.



**For more information about Grapevine festivals and events,
please visit GrapevineTexasUSA.com.**

GRAP EVINE City News

Irrigating During a Freeze is Dangerous

Overnight lows are often below freezing this time of year. Water on sidewalks, roadways, and parking lots may turn to ice during these times, causing a hazard to pedestrians and vehicles. One of the greatest contributors of water to hard surfaces is irrigation overflow. Irrigation should not take place overnight or in the morning during this time of year to prevent any run-off from becoming ice which can create hazardous conditions.

Frost sensors for irrigation may be purchased from your local store to prevent activation of systems during freezing events. Also, any damaged sprinkler systems should be repaired as soon as possible to prevent excess water from leaving your property. For additional information, please contact the Public Works team at 817.410.3330.

Winter Preparation for Your Home

Getting the exterior of your home ready for the cold winds, snow and ice is critical for keeping it warm inside. By being proactive, you will lower your energy bills, increase the efficiency and lifespan of your home's components, and make your property safer.

Windows and Doors

- Check all the weather stripping around windows and door frames for leaks to prevent heat loss. Replace weather stripping, if necessary.

- Replace all screen doors with storm doors.
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- Examine wooden window frames for signs of rot or decay. Repair or replace framing to maintain structural integrity.
- Check for drafts around windows and doors. Caulk inside and out where necessary, to keep heat from escaping.
- Inspect windows for cracks, broken glass, or gaps. Repair or replace, if needed.

Heating & Fire Safety

The temperatures have turned cooler and warrant turning on heaters and using our fireplaces. With that, did you know that more home fires occur during the winter months than any other time of year? An average of 45,200 heating fires in homes and apartments per year are reported and cause an estimated \$351 million in losses in the United States. These fires hurt approximately 625 people and 155 lost their lives. Heating is the second leading cause of home and apartment fires (after kitchen fires). Following a few simple steps will help keep you and your family safe!

Space Heaters:

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from the heater.
- Make sure the heater has an automatic shut-off, so if it tips over, it shuts off.
- Turn heaters off when you go to bed or leave the room.
- Plug portable heaters into outlets directly and never into extension cords or power strips.
- Only use portable heaters that are from a recognized testing laboratory.

Fireplace:

- Keep a glass or metal screen in front of the fireplace to prevent embers or sparks from jumping out.

- Do not burn paper in your fireplace.
- Put the fire out before you go to bed or leave your home.
- Put ashes in a metal container with a lid, outside, at least three feet from your home.
- Have your fireplace inspected yearly.

Wood Stoves:

- Make sure your wood stove is at least three feet from anything that can burn.
- Do not burn paper in your wood stove.
- Put the fire out before you go to bed or leave your home.
- Have your chimney inspected and cleaned each year by a professional.

Furnace:

- Have your furnace inspected yearly.
- Keep anything that can burn away from the furnace. The three foot rule is a good one to follow with anything that produces heat.

If a fire does occur in your home, get everyone out to a family meeting spot, and call 911.

City News

Outdoor Warning Sirens

The City of Grapevine operates fourteen, solar powered outdoor warning sirens to notify residents and visitors of potential hazards, weather, and other emergencies. The system is operated by the Grapevine Fire Department and sirens are strategically located throughout the city to provide alerts.

When the sirens sound, the only appropriate action to take is to move inside, take cover, and monitor the situation via television, radio, or other social media sources. The sirens will initially sound for three minutes, but may be activated multiple times if the severe weather threat continues. By monitoring the situation, individuals can make informed decisions and know when it is safe to leave your designated safe room. There is no all clear siren activation.

It is important to note that the Outdoor Warning sirens are not designed nor placed to be heard in your home or other indoor locations.

Sirens will be sounded given one of the following conditions:

- Tornado Warning has been issued for Northeast Tarrant County and storm will be impacting the City of Grapevine.
- Tornado has been spotted by a trained weather spotter.
- Severe Thunderstorm Warning with destructive winds in excess of 70 mph.
- Hail one inch or larger in diameter.
- Sustained wind speeds of 55 mph or greater.

TEXRail Station Construction Set To Start

Big changes are coming to the intersection of Dallas Road and Main Street as construction on the new Downtown TexRail station begins. Work starts with demolition of the current building on the northeast corner. The site plan for the station is complete and will include a boutique hotel, parking garage, public plaza, shops and restaurants. Construction is expected to begin in late spring on the rail station and parking garage and shortly thereafter on the hotel portion of the project. The hotel developer is Coury Hospitality who has a plethora of experience in the boutique hotel industry with projects such as the Ambassador Hotels in Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Wichita and Kansas City and the Colcord Hotel in Oklahoma

City. Coury Hospitality specializes in creating hotels that reflect the culture and design of their surroundings.



PARKS & RECREATION

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mother Son Date Night:

007 - Mother Son Bonding: Casino Royale

Join us for a high stakes game of chance in the fast paced world of James Bond! Now for TWO nights, 007: Casino Royale is a sophisticated soirée bringing excitement and challenges as you try to defeat the bad guys while making your way through puzzles, card games and other obstacles! Always dressed to impress, 007 is the secret agent who always beats the bad guy and saves the beautiful girl (that's you, mom)! Tickets go on sale January 31 and are available for purchase at The REC, 1175 Municipal Way, by calling 817.410.3450 or at PlayGrapevineReg.com. Join us for a fun and delicious evening, shaken-not stirred, where the action doesn't stop until the credits role.

Ages/Time: 2-18 year old boys; 7-9:30 pm each night

Day/Date/Code: Friday, March 31 & Saturday, April 1; 709753-03, 04

Fee: \$15/person on or before March 24;

\$20/person beginning March 25

Location: Compass Center, 4201 Pool Road

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, March 29

Additional Information: Dinner and dessert will be provided.

Wettest Egg Hunt

Join us at The REC Aquatics Center, 1175 Municipal Way for a special Easter egg hunt! Your children will enjoy a wet and wild egg hunt in the pool, based on age groups. Lifejackets may be required for participants. No registration necessary.

Date/Time: March 25; 4-8pm

ATHLETICS

Tennis Classes

Youth and adult classes are offered in January and February at Dove Tennis Courts. Fees range from \$39 to \$80 per class. For a complete listing of class type, days and times, visit PlayGrapevine.com or in the *PlayGrapevine* magazine.

Grapevine Baseball and Softball (GBS)

Spring registration will continue through late February for boys and girls ages 3-18 to play baseball or softball. The season will kick-off March 25. Please visit GBSA.org for more details!

Spring Adult Softball & Kickball Leagues

Softball and kickball team registration is now open and will close January 30. League play for both leagues will begin the week of February 19. Leagues are offered on Sundays through Fridays at Oak Grove Softball Complex. Fees vary from \$200 to \$360 per team. For more details, please visit PlayGrapevine.com.

ACTIVE ADULTS 55 & BETTER

Active Adults 55 & Better at The REC

All activities are available to adults 55 years and better! For more information, call 817.410.3465 or visit us at 1175 Municipal Way. A complete schedule of activities is available at PlayGrapevine.com

SeniorMovers

SeniorMovers assists Grapevine's seniors with transportation to and from medical and dental appointments. Pre-registration is required to use this service; please call 817.410.3465 for more information. Volunteers to provide this needed service are so appreciated! Please call 817.410.3465 if you are available to volunteer your time to make a difference in the lives of our seniors.

Northern National Parks: August 31-September 7

Join this popular Collette Vacations trip that highlights Salt Lake City, a 4-night stay at Jackson Hole, Yellowstone National Park, Old Faithful, Grand Teton National Park and Park City. Options include white water rafting or a wildlife scenic float with lunch. The cost which includes taxes, fees/surcharges, hotel transfers, and round-trip airfare from DFW International Airport is: single-\$3,449, double-\$2,749, and triple-\$2,719. The deposit due date is February 21. Detailed brochures are available at The REC of Grapevine Active Adult desk.

Young@Heart Gardeners

Our feathered friends need our help during the winter months when food is not as plentiful. Make a mason jar feeder on Monday, January 23, to place outside your window. On Monday, February 27, learn about ivy and how it can be trained into shapes. You will also make a custom trellis to start an ivy. Classes are hosted from 10 am-12 pm at the Bessie Mitchell House at the Botanical Gardens. Reservations can be made at The REC, by calling 817.410.3465, or at PlayGrapevine.com. Pre-registration is required and the cost of each class is \$5.

AARP Tax Aide: February 1-April 12

If you need assistance with your taxes, certified volunteers will be available from 8:30 am-4:30 pm to assist those in the low to middle income range. Special emphasis is given to those aged 60 and over. Appointments are required by calling 817.410.3465.

The REC RENTALS

We have rental space for your meetings, workshops, birthday parties, baby showers and more! For additional information or to reserve space for your event, please call 817.410.3450.



PARKS & RECREATION

FITNESS

FIT4MOM Grapevine – NEW

FIT4MOM is the country's largest fitness program for moms, offering prenatal and postnatal fitness classes for every stage of motherhood. Pregnant moms and mothers of young children enjoy our prenatal, stroller, and mom-only workouts. Fit4Mom helps moms make strides in fitness, motherhood and life. For more information on classes and times, please visit Grapevine.Fit4mom.com or contact Farrah Agado at 682.651.7895 or at farrahagado@fit4mom.com.

Empowered Conditioning – NEW

PUNCH, KICK & SWEAT your way to your fitness goals! This class is geared to improve overall fitness through the use of conditioning techniques employed by MMA fighters. Individuals will develop and improve upon their cardio performance, strength, balance, quickness and coordination with an engaging and challenging variety of exercises. Let's get moving! Drop-ins welcome.

Ages: 18+

Days/Time/Code: Tuesdays, Thursdays; 7-8 am; 706202

Fee (monthly): \$30 members/\$40 non-members (1 class per week)
\$40 members/\$50 non-members(2 classes per week)

Location: The REC, 1175 Municipal Way

Instructor: Cassie Mitchell, CPT, MMACS, CES, SFS, TRX GTC

SgFIT – NEW

Small Group Fitness will provide focused training and will be limited to a class of five participants. Each individual will receive a weekly training plan to follow between class sessions. Exercises and plans will be created to match your individual ability and goals. In class, we will use a variety of equipment such as dumbbells, medicine balls, BOSU, steps and resistance bands. Get ready to increase muscle strength, endurance and flexibility with the fun of a group class, but the focus of personal training!

Ages: 12+

Day/Time/Code: Monday, 7-7:45 am; 7061332

Fee (monthly): \$55 members/\$65 non-members

Location: The REC, 1175 Municipal Way

Instructor: Grand Master Kim Davis

CAMPS

The REC – Spring Break Camp

Sign-up for The REC Spring Break Camp! Campers will participate in fun activities throughout the week and will attend two planned field trips. Campers will also be able to swim in our indoor water park. Space is limited, so please register early.

Ages: 7-12

Dates/Time/Code: March 13-17, 7:30 am-6 pm; 709324

Fee: Members \$110/Non-Members \$120

Location: The REC, 1175 Municipal Way

Additional Info: All campers must bring a lunch, bathing suit and towel. For more information, contact David Mote at dmote@grapevinetexas.gov or call 817.410.3454.

G.O. Expeditions

Explore the outdoors of Grapevine while digging for dinosaurs, arrowheads and other ancient treasures. Grab your field bag and set up your dig site to begin an adventure along the shores of Grapevine Lake by making your own track molds, learning to jacket fossils and identify creatures of prehistoric Grapevine.

Ages: 3-6

Dates/Time/Code: March 13-17, 9 am-12 pm; 999010-01

Fee: Res \$165, Non Res \$175

Location: Rockledge Park, 3600 Pilot Point

AQUATICS

Join the Aquatics Team – Now hiring for summer 2017!

You may apply before you're certified. Visit GrapevineTexas.gov for more information. We offer the American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification, the American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor (WSI) Certification, and the Swim Lesson Aide (SLA) Certification. All trainings are at The REC Aquatics Center and require certain pre-requisites and a fee. Additional information is available in the PlayGrapevine publication, at PlayGrapevine.com, or by calling the Learn to Swim office at 817.410.3461.

Swim Lessons Available at The REC

Swim lessons are now available for January and February, session 01 & 02, starting at 18 months of age. Lessons are offered Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at The REC Aquatics Center. For a complete listing of dates, times, prices, and age level placement, please visit PlayGrapevine.com, or call the Learn to Swim office at 817.410.3461





2016 - A Year in Review

2016 was a record-setting year for Grapevine with multiple major economic development deals announced (or are under construction or opening) totaling over 3.9 million square feet. Together, these projects total over \$632 million in new and expanded investments in our community that augment strong concentrations in core sectors of our economy:

- Hospitality
- Retail/Entertainment
- Logistics/Transportation
- Corporate Headquarters & Services

The following companies are some of the projects/brands secured by our Grapevine City Council in 2016:

- Stand Rock (Resort & Indoor/Outdoor Waterpark)
- Gaylord Texan Resort (Expansion/400+ rooms)
- American Airlines (Enterprise)
- Kubota Headquarters - USA
- Grapevine Mills Mall Renovation
- Sewell BMW (Auto Dealership)
- Mercedes-Benz USA (Parts/Distribution & Training Center)
- TST Impreso (Offices/Distribution)
- Fieldhouse USA (Indoor Sports Facility - Opening early 2017)
- Perry's Restaurant (Opening late 2017)
- D.L. Rogers Office
- The Laurel Event Center
- Additional Hotel Rooms at Silverlake Development
- Park Place Porsche
- Braum's

With all the progression in Grapevine, in 2016, taxes were also lowered. This past September, the Grapevine City Council approved an operating budget of \$172.8 million for the 2016-2017 fiscal year that began October 1, 2016. The budget will allow Grapevine to maintain the high quality service levels that residents have come

to expect. The City Council also approved adoption of a property tax rate of \$0.289271, which represents a 12% decrease from the previous year. Thank you for helping us make Grapevine the best place to live, grow, work and play! We look forward to a banner 2017!



Kubota HQ USA



Perry's Steakhouse



Fieldhouse USA

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