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GLOBE LIFE FIELD
BY THE NUMBERS

Ballpark Size: 1.7 Million Square Feet
Capacity: 41,000 (Approximate)
Number of Entry Gates: 5
Site Area: 13 ACRES (Ballpark Only)
Project Cost: $1.1 BILLION
Mayor Jeff Williams and Arlington City Council members, Texas Rangers leadership, and Major League Baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred were among the hundreds who attended the ceremony. The 1.7-million-square-foot park, set to open in 2020, is being built as a public-private partnership between the City and the Rangers.

The construction milestone marked the beginning of a new chapter in Arlington’s long-standing relationship with the Rangers, Williams said. Globe Life Field, designed by HKS, will set a new standard for Major League Baseball parks and help make Arlington’s Entertainment District a world-class destination, he said.

“It’s another one of those dream-come-true moments here in our American Dream City. And today especially is another example of our can-do spirit,” Williams said.

Manfred congratulated the Texas Rangers and the City of Arlington on the ballpark project and said he could see Globe Life Field hosting events such as an All-Star game or World Baseball Classic final.

“This new ballpark will allow fans of the Rangers, fans here in Texas to enjoy Major League Baseball with added comfort. When you add to that the prospect of a project like Texas Live! that provides the type of complete entertainment experience that’s so popular in our sports, I can’t exaggerate the amount of excitement we have for this project,” Manfred said. “It really will be great for this area and great for the Rangers.”
97,000 Truck Loads of Dirt
CREWS BEGIN EXCAVATING GLOBE LIFE FIELD SITE

The excavation for the future Globe Life Field began in October on the eastern part of the project site, which is located in what was formerly the Lot B parking lot.

The excavation is being overseen by Manhattan Construction Company, the general contractor of the project. Crews will work 24 hours a day, six days a week (excluding Sunday) on the excavation with the exception of during major events at AT&T Stadium.

Approximately 1.3 million cubic yards of dirt will be excavated from the site, according to the Texas Rangers. It will take an estimated 97,000 total truck loads to haul the dirt away from the site with the majority being taken to the Arlington Landfill.

Substantial completion of the excavation stage is expected by February 2018.

The $1.1 billion ballpark will be 1.7 million square feet in size, compared to 1.4 million square feet for the current Globe Life Park, and will be situated on a 13-acre site south of the current facility. Seating capacity is approximately 41,000 for Globe Life Field, which will open in March 2020.

HKS is the design architect for the project.

Globe Life Field: What's Ahead

- December: The north plaza area will be available for construction
- January: Start of structural steel
- February: Excavation substantially complete

New Ballpark Line Up: 2017-2018

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Live! by Loews Construction Team

Loews Hotels & Co, The Cordish Companies and Texas Rangers announced that the $150 million Live! by Loews flagship hotel will be constructed by a joint-venture partnership of Manhattan Construction Company and Arlington-based Con-Real.

Together, the joint-venture will be responsible for the construction of the dining, entertainment, hotel and convention facilities of Texas Live! and Live! by Loews upscale hotel and convention center.

Manhattan Construction Company is one of the largest, privately held construction firms in the nation, widely known for building high-profile, technically difficult mega projects such as AT&T Stadium, which is one of the premier sports venues in the world.

Con-Real, recognized as one of the most established full-service African-American construction and real estate firms, has experience in more than 3,000 projects including entertainment, commercial, hospitality, educational, industrial and technology facilities.

This partnership marks an important milestone for the City of Arlington as the first time a project of this size and scope has had a local, minority-owned business positioned as a joint venture partner to oversee construction.

The development team has also assembled an award-winning team of HKS Architects, Mycoskie+Mcinnis+Associates, Purdy-McGuire and McLaren Engineering Group to lead architecture and interior design, civil engineering, mechanical/electrical engineering, and structural engineering respectively.

Rangers, Cordish Companies Set up Temporary Construction Offices

Now that ground has been officially broken for both projects, the Texas Rangers and The Cordish Companies are working to establish temporary office sites in Arlington’s Entertainment District to oversee construction of Globe Life Field and Texas Live!

The Cordish Companies will office out of an existing building in the 600 block of Stadium Drive for the next 18 to 20 months while the $250 million Texas Live! project is underway. A groundbreaking ceremony for the entertainment complex, which will also include a Live! by Loews flagship hotel, was held in March 2017. The first phase of Texas Live! is set to open next year, followed by the hotel in 2019.

Manhattan Construction Company is setting up two temporary construction office sites in the 1700 block of East Division Street for the future $1.1 billion retractable-roof ballpark. Manhattan Construction is renovating an existing building formerly used as an art gallery for its office space. An adjacent tract of vacant land, currently owned by the City of Arlington, will soon house up to 20 construction trailers for subcontractors working on the ballpark project. Globe Life Field, being built as a public-private partnership between the City and the Texas Rangers, is set to open in 2020.
Live! by Loews will bring a luxury resort-style hospitality experience to Arlington’s growing Entertainment District when it opens in 2019.

Loews Hotels & Co, The Cordish Companies and Texas Rangers officially broke ground in November on the $150 million flagship hotel and convention center, which will be located at Texas Live! The 14-story tall, 302-room upscale hotel will feature unique spaces for events and entertainment, including a private rooftop terrace, grand ballroom, event lawn and an infinity edge pool.

“An upscale hotel like Live! by Loews is a game changer for the Arlington Entertainment District,” said Ray Davis, Co-Chairman and Managing Partner of the Texas Rangers. “With incredible partners like Loews Hotels & Co and The Cordish Companies, Live! by Loews will join Globe Life Field and Texas Live! in providing our fans with a first-class entertainment experience.”

The hotel will blend sports and entertainment with first-class hospitality and superior amenities, providing a spectacular location for meetings, events and conventions, as well as a special destination for sports fans, visitors and families.

“Live! by Loews will become a first-class, one-of-a-kind hotel and event destination that will welcome millions of new visitors a year to Arlington,” Mayor Jeff Williams said. “It is a significant step forward in fulfilling our vision of becoming one of the country’s top tourism destinations for conventions and major events.”
Live! by Loews Amenities

**TOWER TERRACE:** Located within a 40’ tall by 60’ wide veranda-style cutout through the hotel tower, the casual, but sophisticated Tower Terrace will serve as the hotel’s central gathering place to relax with family and friends or enjoy a cocktail. One of the most unique spaces in the entire project, the Tower Terrace overlooks a beautiful multi-use Event Lawn.

**EVENT LAWN:** With incredible views of the entertainment district, the Event Lawn space serves as the perfect venue for weddings, special events and community gatherings. The Event Lawn features a cutting-edge LED screen for unparalleled sports viewing, movies and concerts. A truly unique experience, the Event Lawn will become one of the country’s most desired places for special events.

**OUTDOOR INFINITY EDGE POOL:** Located adjacent to the Tower Terrace and directly next to the Event Lawn, guests will be able to enjoy the same stunning views of the Entertainment District from the pool area, as well as the same immersive A/V experience. Dually designed to accommodate both high energy and relaxation, the resort-quality pool area will feature two bars, including a swim up bar, rentable private cabanas, ample comfortable lounge space and a fire pit.

**ROOFTOP TERRACE PRIVATE EVENT SPACE:** Boasting panoramic views unlike any other of the Dallas and Fort-Worth skylines and Arlington Entertainment District, the Rooftop Terrace will feature several private event rooms, as well as a central main space for private functions and events.

**GRAND EVENT CENTER:** The two story, 35,000 square-foot Grand Event Center will feature a beautiful glass facade with sweeping views of the Entertainment District. The meeting, event and convention space will include a Grand Ballroom with banquet seating capability up to 1,500; an Executive Boardroom with five additional breakout Meeting Rooms; Flexible Pre-Function space; and a 1,500 square foot outdoor terrace overlooking Johnson Creek and the Entertainment District.

**REVOLVER BREWING BREWERY, BAR AND TASTING ROOM:** Known for bringing a fresh perspective in world-class craft beer in the Dallas/Forth Worth region, Revolver Brewing will open a working brewery, bar and tasting room within Live! by Loews.
Coming alive in the heart of Arlington’s Entertainment District is the first phase of Texas Live!, one of the newest sports-anchored developments in the nation. When complete, this phase will feature more than 200,000 square feet of best-in-class restaurants, entertainment and retail, a 5,000-capacity outdoor event pavilion, as well as the Live! by Loews flagship hotel.

Construction of the $250 million world-class development is rapidly progressing on the project site. Approximately 54,000 cubic yards of dirt have been moved. The project recently reached an exciting milestone with the first steel beams going up, which will complete the exterior structure of the building. Approximately 1,009 tons of structural steel will be anchored by about 10,163 cubic yards of concrete, according to Manhattan Construction Company, leading construction of the project with JV partner, Con-Real.

“Construction of Texas Live! is one of the most exciting, game-changing projects with which we have been involved,” said Wesley Weaver, Manhattan vice president. “This project is cementing Arlington as the premier sports, entertainment and hospitality destination for Texans and tourists from across the globe.”

Texas Live!, being developed in partnership between the Texas Rangers, The Cordish Companies and the City of Arlington, will become a year-round, central gathering place for the community, welcoming sports fans, visitors and families.

The dining and entertainment space in the district will open in 2018, with Live! by Loews scheduled to open in 2019.

The dynamic line-up of premier venues announced to date include:

- **RANGERS REPUBLIC**, a 30,000-square-foot family-friendly dining and entertainment venue allowing fans unprecedented access to the Rangers.
- **LIVE! Arena**, a multi-level, 35,000-square-foot gathering place that will be the “living room” of Texas Live!
- **ARLINGTON BACKYARD**, a 5,000-square-foot outdoor event pavilion expected to host more than 250 annual events, including concerts, charitable functions and community events.
- **PBR COUNTRY BAR**, the country’s largest PBR venue will debut at Texas Live!, marrying an electric combination of “cowboy cool” and big-time Texas entertainment. Its 7,000-square-foot balcony will overlook Arlington Backyard.
- **GUY FIERI**, the Emmy-award winning chef, restaurateur, author and TV personality will launch a one-of-a-kind flagship restaurant.
- **REVOLVER BREWING**, a working brewery, bar and tasting room connected to the Live! By Loews hotel.
- **LOCKHART SMOKEHOUSE**, a Texas family’s iconic barbeque eatery offering meats smoked over Texas post oak.
Helping businesses both big and small build connect with opportunities that will help them grow is a passion for Demetria Bivens, Arlington resident and founder of dlb Consultants.

Bivens’ mission can be clearly seen through her advocacy work with North Texas minority and woman-owned businesses as well as her MWBE outreach for the $250 million Texas Live! entertainment complex, currently under construction in Arlington's Entertainment District. Her firm’s primary role is business development, helping companies hone their skills and their business strategies so they can better connect with clients and land rewarding opportunities.

The tagline on my business card is ‘Connect.Build.’ I help connect people to build relations, to build buildings, to build whatever,” Bivens said.

With encouragement from her mentors, Bivens founded dlb Consultants in 2014 after two decades of running a document management company and then working as a construction consultant. Besides business development, dlb Consultants also provides MWBE monitoring project goal tracking services, such as with the multimillion dollar redevelopment of the Statler Hotel project in Dallas.

“There are a lot of advocacy groups in North Texas,” said Bivens, who is also an Arlington Chamber of Commerce committee member, “but there were people still needing jobs. There were people still needing help finding opportunities.”

Bivens said her work with the chapter has been beneficial for her role helping ensure the diversity of the workforce on the Texas Live! project. The Rangers and The Cordish Companies have set an overall goal of 25 percent use of qualified MWBE companies for construction of Texas Live! They have also agreed to use diligent efforts to purchase all goods and services from Arlington businesses whenever such goods and services are comparable in availability, terms, quality and price.

“I feel like I’m really walking in my purpose,” Bivens said. “I truly do have a passion for it.”

One of the ways Bivens has helped minority and woman-owned businesses be better prepared to land contracts is through her work with the National Association of Minority Contractors DFW Chapter, which she founded last year.

**MWBE Fast Facts**

The City of Arlington is working with the Texas Rangers and The Cordish Companies to ensure the diversity of the workforce for both the future ballpark and the Texas Live! development.

**TEXAS LIVE!**

- **29** Contracts awarded to minority and women-owned businesses to date
- **$9,368,624.60** Total funds awarded to MWBE firms

**GLOBE LIFE FIELD**

- **8** total number of MWBE contracts awarded
- **$2,196,770.00** Value of MWBE contracts awarded
HISTORIC MOMENTS IN RANGERS HISTORY

RANGERS ADVANCE TO 1ST WORLD SERIES APPEARANCE — OCTOBER 22, 2010

Colby Lewis is a name that pops up again and again when it comes to milestone moments in Rangers playoff history. A stellar performance of 8 innings, 7 strikeouts and just one run in front of the Arlington crowd helped Texas clinch its first World Series appearance, defeating the Yankees 6-1 in the ALCS to advance. Vladimir Guerrero also contributed to the cause, hitting a two-run double. Nelson Cruz also hit a two-run home run. Former Ranger Alex Rodriguez was a Neftali Feliz strikeout victim to end the game and send the Rangers to the World Series against the San Francisco Giants.

TIME LAPSE CAMERAS FOR GLOBE LIFE FIELD CONSTRUCTION SITE NOW IN OPERATION

Fans can watch construction progress at texasrangers.com/globelifefield

Texas Rangers fans will be able to watch the construction progress of the team’s new ballpark, Globe Life Field, through the lens of three time-lapse cameras that became operational today.

The camera feeds can be viewed 24 hours a day at texasrangers.com/globelifefield.

The three cameras are manufactured by EarthCam and were installed by Manhattan Construction, the General Contractor of Globe Life Field. They provide views looking north (camera installation on back of right field video board of Globe Life Park in Arlington), east (camera installation on east façade of AT&T Stadium), and west (camera installation on utility pole on Stadium Drive) on the 13 acre Globe Life Field construction site.

Founded in 1996, EarthCam is a global company providing webcam content, technology, and services.

Groundbreaking on the 1.1 billion dollar ballpark took place in late September. General site excavation, installation of the soil retention system, pier drilling, and running of underground utilities are the principle construction activities currently in progress. The 1.7 million square foot facility is scheduled to be completed for the 2020 season.
For more than 25 years, Aman Li has been making repairs for Arlington residents as owner of Lee’s Tailor Couture on East Abram Street. Li is a true embodiment of the American Dream. He continues to work in the building that he and his family purchased back in 1982 after emigrating to the U.S. from Hong Kong. His relationship with the Texas Rangers began when former outfielder Rubén Sierra began taking in his personal clothing for repairs at Lee’s Tailor Couture in the late 1980s. Li has been making emergency repairs for the Rangers for more than 20 years. The turnaround time is quick, but Li has never missed a deadline.

2018 Texas Rangers Fan Fest will take place at Globe Life Park in Arlington on Saturday, January 20, 2018 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will feature autograph sessions with current Texas Rangers players and coaches, with individuals signing in the Capital One Club, Hyundai Club and Jack Daniel’s Club. This year, fans will get an added bonus: a sneak peek of the construction for the new Globe Life Field. In addition, 2018 Texas Rangers season ticket and mini-plan packages will be on sale. Tickets for Fan Fest are on sale at texasrangers.com/fanfest or by calling 972.RANGERS.
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