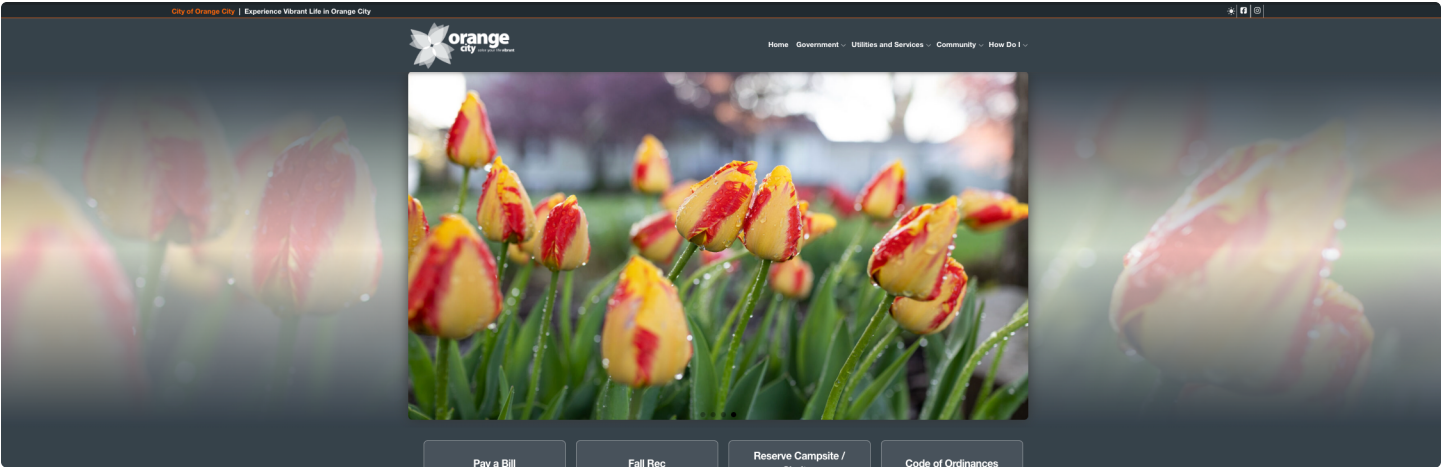


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have you seen our new website?

If you haven't visited the City of Orange City website lately, now is a great time to take a look!

We've given the website a fresh new look and, more importantly, made it easier to find the information you need. We heard from our community that finding things on the old site could sometimes be a little frustrating, so one of our biggest goals with the new website was to make things simpler and more organized.

Looking for a city form? Want to pay your utility bill? Need information about a city department, park, recreation program, or upcoming event? These things are now easier to find, with information organized into clear sections and quick links to commonly used services.

We've also made the homepage a better place to start. You'll find community news, upcoming events, announcements, and other information right up front, so it's easier to see what's happening in Orange City without having to dig for it.

And if you're looking for something to do, the new site makes it easier to explore our parks, recreation programs, facilities, and other things that make Orange City a great place to live, work, and visit.

Of course, a website is never really "finished." We'll continue making updates, adding information, and looking for ways to make the site more useful for our community. As you explore, we'd love to hear what you think. If there's something you can't find or information you'd like to see, let us know. Your feedback will help us continue to improve the site.

So, if it's been a while since you've stopped by, come check it out! Take a few minutes to click around, explore the new layout, and see what you can find.

Visit orangecityiowa.com and check out the new site!

battery recycling is here

If you have old batteries sitting around the house, we have a new option for you! Orange City now has a collection box for alkaline and rechargeable lithium batteries, along with tablets and phones, making it easier for residents to dispose of them properly.

Lithium and alkaline batteries are found in many everyday items, including power tools, electronics, and other rechargeable devices. While they're convenient, they can become a serious fire hazard when placed in the garbage or recycling. Batteries can still hold energy even when they're no longer being used, and if they're crushed or damaged in the waste stream, they can spark and cause a fire.

To help prevent this, we're asking residents to keep rechargeable lithium and alkaline batteries out of their garbage and recycling bins.

The new battery collection box is located at the Orange City Street Department, 809 Concord Place SE. Simply bring your used batteries there instead of putting them in your household trash or recycling. *(continued on back)*



right-of-way tree trimming

City of Orange City Notice to Residents

The City of Orange City will begin reviewing trees located in the public right-of-way to identify branches that are low hanging, obstruct visibility, or create access concerns for vehicles, pedestrians, or city equipment. Trees must be trimmed to provide a minimum clearance of **8 feet above sidewalks and 15 feet above roadways**.

Property owners with trees that do not meet this clearance requirement will receive a notice by mail. Residents who receive a notice are asked to complete the required trimming by **May 31, 2027**.

The city will also share reminders about this process through its newsletter, website, and social media channels so residents have time to plan and complete the work.

If the required trimming is not completed by the deadline, the City may arrange for the work to be completed and pass the costs along to the homeowner.

After this initial review and notification process is complete, future complaints related to low-hanging trees will be handled through Cloudpermit as nuisance cases. Residents will receive notification and will have 30 days to correct the issue before the City proceeds with corrective action.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping streets, sidewalks, and public rights-of-way safe and accessible for everyone.



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One important reminder: damaged, swollen, or leaking batteries should not be placed in the collection box. If you have one of these batteries, contact the Northwest Iowa Landfill for proper disposal instructions at 712-324-4026.

It's a simple way to help protect workers, equipment, and our community while keeping batteries out of the waste stream.

So, the next time you find an old battery, don't toss it in the trash. Bring it to the new collection box at the Street Department!

city of oc shares plans for new police department facility

As part of the City of Orange City's strategic planning process, one initiative identified this year was exploring options for a police department facility that meets current and future needs.

The OCPD has grown to nine officers and has outgrown its current space in City Hall. After a property on Highway 10 became available, the City began exploring a new facility on the former Vander Pol Excavating property.

The proposed location would provide improved access for emergency response and a more functional space for police operations as downtown continues to experience increased traffic and activity.

The proposed plans include:

- Improved evidence storage and preservation, with evidence secured on the same side of the building as other police operations
- A search bay and interview room designed to provide more secure and efficient evidence handling
- An expanded holding room to accommodate more individuals when needed
- Dedicated space for the department's K9 unit
- Additional office space that can accommodate future growth
- A facility designed to support recruitment and retention of police personnel

The City has worked with BEI to develop preliminary concepts and is now preparing plans and specifications to present the project for bidding.

The proposed facility represents a long-term investment in the Orange City Police Department and the community it serves. City officials are excited about the location's potential and the opportunities it offers for current and future police operations.

Renderings of the proposed exterior are available for the public to view.

home energy assistance program

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) offered through Mid-Sioux Opportunity, Inc. may be able to help you pay your winter heating bill. This program is funded through the Iowa Department of Health & Human Services and has been established to help qualified low-income Iowa homeowners and renters pay for a portion of their primary heating costs.

Your local Mid-Sioux office will be taking applications from November 1, 2026 through April 30, 2027. Each applicant will need to furnish a copy of their most recent heating and electric bill; original Social Security or I-94 card for each household member; and proof of the household's income for the past month (4 weeks), the past twelve (12) months, or most recent tax return. Eligibility for participation is established according to the federal income guidelines listed at the right. Applicants eligible for an award will be paid on a first come, first served basis, and all payments are subject to availability of funds. For more information or to make an appointment, contact your local outreach office, info@midsioux.org or 1-800-859-2025 Hearing Impaired call 711.

Household Size	Max. Annual Gross Income
1	\$31,920
2	\$43,280
3	\$54,640
4	\$66,000
5	\$77,360

*More than 5 members, add \$11,360 for each additional member.

23rd annual dutchmen field championships

The Pride of the Dutchmen Marching Band is proud to present the 23nd Annual Dutchmen Field Championships at Korver Field on October 10. The event will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and feature a fireworks display to conclude the evening. We invite the community to come and enjoy a variety of bands from around the Midwest. Tickets can be purchased at the gate or in advance online for a discounted price. Visit www.prideofthedutchmen.com for exact details.

Some important reminders for the community:

- Frankfort Ave by the high school will be closed for most of the day. (8th St. SE to 5th St. SE from roughly 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.)
- Fireworks will be launched from the sandpit area behind ACE Hardware sometime around 9:45 p.m. at the conclusion of the event.
- There will be heavy bus, car, and pedestrian traffic around the stadium and high school. Please be extra vigilant and patient with out-of-town visitors.

free household e-recycling program october 16 & 17

The Cities of Orange City & Alton are co-sponsoring a free e-recycling program on October 16 & 17, 2026, in Orange City.

All citizens of OC and Alton (residential customers only, no businesses) who would like to utilize the e-recycling program will need to go to City Hall to pick up a free tag. Your tag will be required before disposing of your recyclable items. You will need one tag regardless of number of items. If you do not have a tag, you will be asked to provide identification.

Items can be dropped off at the Orange City Street Department Building (Just south of Ace Hardware. 809 Concord Place SE.)

Friday, October 16, 4:00-7:00 pm
Saturday, October 17, 9:00 am - noon

The following items are accepted:

- Computer monitors
- CPU's
- Keyboards
- Printers and mouse(s)
- Smaller batteries
- TV's

