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shop for your festival merchandise

Special merchandise is still being sold on our website at: www.octulipfestival.com/shop. We are following strict sanitary requirements and are still able to mail merchandise at this time.

The artwork selected for the 80th annual Tulip Festival are three framed canvases, each showcasing a different piece of Orange City's downtown tulip mural located at the corner of Central Avenue and Second Street NE.

sanitary sewer reminders

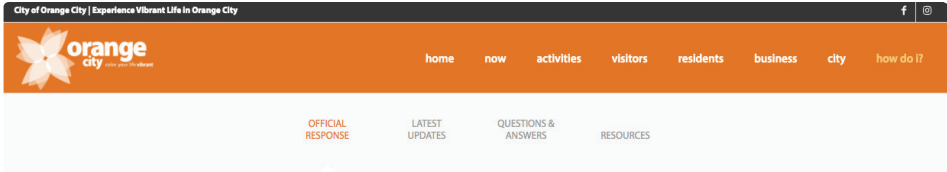
Residents are reminded to take the steps to divert their sump pump discharge outside after April 15. The purpose of this requirement is to reduce the risk of overloading the sanitary sewer system. The majority of the community has been able to have their sump pump systems improved to allow discharge into the sanitary sewer during the winter, but diverted outside during the warmer seasons. Thank you for your compliance! If you have not had this change made in your home, please do so as soon as possible.



Residents are also encouraged to avoid flushing items that are not biodegradable. Paper towels and sanitary wipes all have the potential for causing residential sewer back-ups and problems in the City's sewer system.



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covid-19 / corona virus response center

dear orange city residents,

Thank you for your continued efforts to prioritize the health and safety of all Orange City community members. The City of Orange City continues to collaborate with the Iowa Department of Public Health, Governor Reynolds, the Sioux County Community Health Partners, the Orange City Area Health System and the CDC in providing guidelines for our community.

Members of City staff, including the Public Works Director, Chief of Police, Fire Chief, Community Development Director and the City Administrator are meeting weekly with Sioux County Emergency Management, Community Health Partners, and OC Area Health System to hear updates, review guidelines, maximize local resources, discuss enforcement methods, and generally encourage each other. We are truly blessed with these outstanding resources!

Essential public services will continue to be provided, however, several programs and facilities are impacted by Governor Reynolds, by CDC and the Iowa Department of Public Health.

Playgrounds located in the City parks in addition to the skate park have been closed indefinitely. Restrooms and enclosed shelter houses in the parks are also closed. The remainder of the park amenities, and in particular the trails and sidewalks remain open. We encourage you to enjoy the outdoors while practicing the necessary physical distancing. Team sports involving multiple participants that create physical contact or touching the same ball are discouraged outside of immediate families.

Landsmeer Golf Course continues to be open following strict guidelines for cart use, and physical distancing – when possible golfers are encouraged to walk for the health benefit.

more updates

- APRIL 9, 2020 / BY MICHAEL KELLY IN: City Official, COVID-19, COVID-19 Official Notices, Front Page Posts, News, now, Urgent
spring e-recycling event set for may 1 and 2 – postponed indefinitely
- APRIL 8, 2020 / BY ORANGE CITY OFFICE IN: COVID-19, COVID-19 Official Notices, Front Page Posts, now, Uncategorized, Urgent
updated covid-19 response
- APRIL 1, 2020 / BY MICHAEL KELLY IN: COVID-19, Front Page Posts, now, Updates, Urgent
city council meetings via zoom
- MARCH 30, 2020 / BY ORANGE CITY LIBRARY IN: COVID-19, COVID-19 Official Notices, Library, Updates, Urgent
covid-19 library update

COVID-19 information section

The City of Orange City has a COVID-19 information page on the Orange City website - <https://orangecityiowa.com/covid/>. The information concerning COVID-19 changes constantly and we post those updates on the web page. To keep up to date on COVID-19 information for Orange City, Iowa, check out the COVID-19 page.



does your tote runneth over

Here are a few items to note from OC Sanitation and the City of Orange City regarding the green tote trash pick up.



1. Do NOT overfill. If a larger can is needed, you can upgrade by calling OC Sanitation at (712) 737-2645.
2. Do NOT set the green tote in the street. Set it behind the curb but within 18". Driveways work great.
3. Tote should not be put out more than 12 hours before normal pick up time.
4. Tote needs to be out by 7:00 am the day of normal pick up.
5. Lid opening needs to be placed towards the street or they will not be emptied.
6. If high wind warnings are issued for your pick up day and can is nearly empty, please hold with setting it out until the next week.

Thanks for your cooperation.

oc cemetery decoration reminder

The Orange City Cemetery has a policy that flowers and decorations need to be removed by June 15 of each year. This is to allow efficient mowing and maintenance of the cemetery. Over the past few years, we have not enforced this policy and find that more flowers and decorations are staying in the cemetery throughout the year. This year we are asking that all flowers and decorations be removed by June 15, otherwise we will remove them and bring them to the parks maintenance building in the middle of Veterans Park where family or friends can pick them up until June 30. This applies to anything that is not permanently attached to the base or gravestone. Flowers and decorations may be placed at grave sites from May 20 - June 15.



Thanks for your understanding and compliance. If you have any questions, call the City Office at 712-707-4885.



E-recycle postponed indefinitely

The e-recycle set for May 1 and 2 is being postponed indefinitely. We will try to reschedule it at a later date.

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Bluestem Grill Open for Lunch

The Bluestem Grill at Landsmeer Golf Clubhouse, 902 7th Street NE, is serving carry out Tuesday through Friday from 11:00 am until 1:30 pm. Lunch specials available daily!



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you can do your part

Given the current worldwide pandemic we are experiencing with COVID-19, it is important to understand the significance of the U.S. Census as it pertains to health care and emergency response in the United States. Census data can help first responders and disaster recovery personnel identify where and how much support is needed.

These impacts are reflected in direct benefits to our community. By responding to the Census, you ensure that our community will be receiving its fair share of federal funds, grants and support for local hospitals, first responders, health clinics, and many other programs such as the school lunch program and other services for needy families.

You have the opportunity to help our community by filling out your Census online or via phone. Locate your household’s individualized code and log on to **my2020census.gov** to start! If you prefer to fill it out via phone, call **844-468-2020**.

Ten minutes to impact the next ten years

In less than ten minutes, the Census can be filled out easily, quickly, and safely from the comfort of your home by internet, by phone, or by mail. No matter how you choose to fill it out, make sure you do so as quickly as possible and encourage others to do so as well.

It’s never been easier to respond

Online: my2020Census.gov or by Phone: 1-844-330-2020

Phone lines are open every day of the week, including weekends, from 6 am to 1 am Central Time. Feel free to call with questions and to complete your Census form by phone.

For guides in 59 non-English languages, including large print, Braille and American Sign Language: 2020Census.gov/languages.

check for a leaky toilet

Occasionally City utility staff receives customer calls about high water consumption. While water use can increase or decrease seasonally, or during periods when more people are at home, there are times when you might experience a small, undetectable water leak in your plumbing or appliances. One of the most common culprits of a high water bill is a leaky toilet. Here’s how to check your toilet for a potential leak:

- Put a few drops of food coloring into the tank on the back of your toilet.
- Let sit for 10 minutes.
- If color shows up in the bowl, your toilet has a leak.
- Be sure to flush afterward to avoid staining the porcelain.
- Consider replacing your old toilet flapper if it is torn or worn.



proud to serve the community

Orange City Municipal Utilities is proud to serve the community and we pride ourselves on reliability. As a public utility owned by the customers we serve, we are dedicated to maintaining utility services during these challenging times. This commitment is especially important during the COVID-19 pandemic as we provide utility services to our health care workers, to those working from home, and to our children who rely on technology to further their education. We continue to monitor our local operations and to work with the organizations that supply our community with electricity and natural gas in order to provide reliable service to our community.