

vibrant

orange city, iowa

share your story

Have you moved to Orange City in the past few years? We would love to hear why you chose our vibrant community to call home! Use the QR code or follow the link to share your story!

vibrant.orangecityiowa.com/you/why-orange-city



COVID-19 info section

The City of Orange City has a COVID-19 information page on the Orange City website: 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.



water wisely

As we enter into the heat of the summer months, please remember to use water wisely. With the drier spring and ongoing heat and wind, the City wells and treatment plant are feeling the strain to keep up with demand. At this time, the City is not restricting water use, but is strongly encouraging citizens to conserve water, particularly on lawn irrigation. Remember to properly maintain your irrigation system and evaluate your sprinkler schedule by reducing frequency and cycle times. Also, watering at night maximizes the benefit of your irrigation system and allows the City water system to keep up during the day. Thank you for your cooperation.



oc library opens to the public

The library is OPEN! On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday we are open to the general public. Tuesday and Thursday we are open for the high-risk demographic. Our current hours are 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. New materials are on display for browsing. All other materials can be reserved online or by calling the library. Computers are available by reservation.

It's not too late! Have you joined the summer reading program? Read anything you have at home or check out something from the library, including our online resources. Sign up by visiting orangecitylibrary.readsquared.com or call the library. You can earn points to unlock games, win prizes, enter raffles, and attend virtual events - fun for ALL AGES!

Cloud Library has arrived! Float away with a book from Cloud Library, our newest resource for eBooks and eAudiobooks. Download the app or visit www.yourcloudlibrary.com to enjoy numerous titles!

A note about returning materials: Use whichever outdoor drop box is open for all items. If a box is locked, items are under quarantine for 72 hours. If both boxes are locked, please try another day. No fines will apply. If you want to know if a box is open currently, please call the library.

Library staff are available to answer your questions and assist you as needed in navigating our catalog or online resources. Please call 707-4302 on Monday through Friday from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm if you have any questions.

Thank you for using your library!



reserve your favorite park

The arrival of summer means picnics, reunions, and outdoor birthday parties. After being inside all winter, we can all agree outdoors is the place to be. For a very inexpensive “get away”, Orange City has four shelters which are available to rent for your group activities. All of these city-owned facilities have a refrigerator, stove, sink, and counters.



- Vets Park Shelter (\$35/day)
- Swimming Pool Shelter (\$35/day)
- Vets Park Scout House (\$55/day)
- Windmill Park Shelter (\$35/day)

Contact the City Office at 707-4885 to reserve a shelter and make key arrangements. Outdoor picnic areas can be used without a fee or reservation if the shelter house is not reserved.



sump pump bandit

Is your sump pump running in your basement? Do you know where it discharges your extra water? If your pump hose is connected to your drain line, you are contributing to a major problem! With the infiltration of rainwater during large downpours or wet seasons, sewer lines may become overloaded and cause backups in basements or overflow at lift stations & the sewer plant. City ordinances only allow sump pumps to drain into sanitary sewers from October 15 – April 15. Remember to connect sump pumps to discharge outdoors.

For more information, contact the City of Orange City at 707-4885.




Bluestem Grill Open for Lunch

The Bluestem Grill is located inside Landsmeer Golf Clubhouse at 902 7th St. NE and is open to the public for lunch Tuesday through Friday from 11:00 am until 1:30 pm
Lunch specials available daily!

City Office will be closed on Friday, July 3, due to the Fourth of July holiday

For non-emergencies during that time, the OC Police Department may be contacted at 707-4251. For OC utility emergencies, please call 707-5000.

 for the most current information
orangecityiowa.com



oc fireworks rules

With the July 4th holiday approaching, we would like to remind everyone of the general requirements in Orange City for setting off fireworks:






- Fireworks can be discharged until 10 pm from June 15 through July 8. Exception: discharge hours are extended to 11 pm on July 4 and the Saturdays and Sundays immediately preceding and following July 4, but not past July 8.
- No person under the age of 18 shall discharge consumer fireworks without parental supervision.
- A person shall only discharge a consumer fireworks device on property they own or on property where consent has been given.
- Novelties, including snakes, sparklers, or caps, can be discharged on a public place so long as all trash, wrappers, and wires are properly disposed of.
- Consumer fireworks shall not be discharged by persons showing visible signs of, or determined to be, intoxicated or under the influence of a drug or narcotic.
- Any person discharging a consumer fireworks device assumes all responsibility for its operation and the consequences thereof.
- No person shall discharge a consumer fireworks device in a reckless manner or manner likely to cause death, injury, fire, or property damage.

For a complete listing of the fireworks ordinance, please contact the City Office.

recyclable or not recyclable

A lot of foreign material is showing up in with the recycling that is not acceptable. Examples are: food waste, diapers, soiled mattress pads, needles, plastic toys, landscaping material, and batteries. This contaminates the good recycling material and is a health hazard to those sorting through the material, sometimes causing illnesses. Please be aware of what you throw in your recycling container!

Recycling Facts:

-  The average American uses 650 pounds of paper each year.
-  100 million tons of wood could be saved each year if all that paper was recycled.
-  By recycling one ton (2,000 lbs.) of paper, we save: 17 trees, 7,000 gallons of water, 4,100 kilowatts of energy (enough power for the average home for six months), 3.3 cubic yards of landfill space, and 587 pounds of air pollution.
-  The 17 trees saved by recycling one ton of paper can absorb a total of 250 pounds of carbon dioxide out of the air each year.
-  About 80% of what Americans throw away is recyclable, yet the average recycling rate is only 28%.

We all need to do our part. Please recycle!

For a complete list of recyclable and non-recyclable items, go to:

orangecityiowa.com/city/city-services/recyclable-non-recyclable-material/