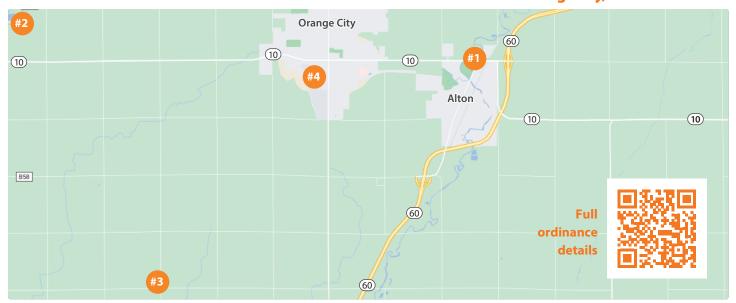
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water conservation ordinance

Dear Orange City Resident,

Thank you to our residents who have helped us manage treated water use by limiting lawn irrigation and other high water uses. We are grateful for your cooperation!

Even with some very beneficial recent rains, we continue to see the effects of the current drought conditions in our area, our portion of Northwest lowa continues to be in a severe

drought. The total rainfall amounts this spring and summer have not made up for the lack of rain during much of 2020 and 2021.

The effect on the City of Orange City is the limit of water being produced by the Floyd wellfields (Dunlop Pond area - #1) and the West Branch wellfields (Hyman Pit area - #2). We have very good quality water produced in our deep wells located at the Southwest wellfields (2 miles west and 4 miles south of Orange City - #3) – but this amount is limited. We also utilize water from our local deep well (near water treatment plant -#4) – but this water is not as high quality and takes a great deal of effort to treat.

The City is currently planning with DGR Engineers for new wells in the southwest wellfield area (#3), along with plans for additional distribution lines to meet our growing need for quality water. These plans are in the works and we are hopeful will be on line in 2022. We will also be considering ground level storage and the possible addition of a new water tower in the near future.

To manage our current supply, the City Council recently passed an ordinance that limits the water use for lawn watering and other uses of large quantities of water. The Council also approved new water rates that have increased costs for water use during the summer. These additional revenues will fund the water system upgrades over time.

A well supplying untreated water to the Landsmeer ponds was recently installed to serve Landsmeer Golf Course. This project keeps the ponds full of water for course irrigation and recreational catch and release fishing. This well takes a large strain off of the water treatment system.

The full ordinance can be found on the Orange City web site: orangecityiowa.com/water-watch/

We continue to be in the **Water Warning** phase of the ordinance. Your continued understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely

Earl Woudstra, City Administrator

How does this June's precipitation compare to the average?

June 2021 was the 4th driest June over the past 127 years being down 2.75 inches from normal. drought. gov/states/iowa/county/sioux

water warning

- Lawn watering is limited to one time per week.
- Residential watering is based on the last digit of the property address:
- 0-1 on Monday, 2-3 on Tuesday, 4-5 on Wednesday, 6-7 on Thursday, and 8-9 on Friday.
- Commercial, industrial, government, and educational users may water lawns and fields in staggered schedules that do not exceed one time per week.
- No lawn or garden watering is allowed between noon and 5 pm.
- Watering or irrigating of flower and vegetable gardens is allowed up to one inch per week.
- Vehicle washing is limited with the exception of commercial establishments.
- Washing or cleaning of equipment, buildings, sidewalks, driveways, porches, etc. is prohibited.



street construction project update

Orange City MOC-FV Street Project

Favorable weather conditions have allowed construction to progress well on the water and sewer installation. Grading and paving on Jay Avenue will happen in the next few weeks.

Lincoln Avenue Signal Light Project

Construction has moved to the north half of the intersection following completion of the south half. The electrical contractor is constructing piers and installing conduit in preparation for the installation of the signal light poles. Due to the timing of the poles and equipment, this project will be completed later this fall.



firepit guidance

Residents are encouraged to be good neighbors with backyard firepits. Firepits are allowed for recreational use only and must be attended at all times. Please extinguish the fire when leaving. Please also consider your neighbors who may desire to have open windows to enjoy fresh air.

new electric lineman joins the city crew

The City welcomes Jon Van Zweden as our new electric lineman. Jon comes to the City from Interstates Electric and has previously worked as an electrician. He attended NCC for industrial & commercial wiring and graduated from Northwestern College with a degree in computer science. Jon grew up in the area and currently lives in Orange City.



addressing a need

Have you ever needed to find a building when you're not familiar with the neighborhood? It's both frustrating and time consuming when there are no address numbers on homes or businesses. Imagine you're an EMT, police officer, or fireman responding to a call for help. Time is wasting while you look for the correct address.



Street address numbers are not only valuable in an emergency, it's also lowa law. The Code of lowa in Section 364.12(3d) and the Orange City Municipal Code of Ordinances both require homes and buildings be numbered. The numbers must be "in a conspicuous place to the street in figures not less than four (4) inches in height". Check if your house or building has

address numbers and that they're visible from the street. If you don't have address numbers, install them for your safety. If you're not sure on the exact number, contact the City Office. We'll help confirm the correct number. It's a recipe for disaster when you need help and emergency personnel can't find you.



2021 OnStage Orange City line-up

OnStage Orange City 2021 is here! This summer's season performances include returning local favorites as well as new acts. All events will take place at the Windmill Park bandshell from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm.

August entertainment includes:

Improv Falls - August 4

Hilarious, unscripted, family friendly fun with audience participation.

The Ruralists - August 11

Local band with original music Indie Folk Rock; guitars, drums and vocals – "Good comes from Rural."

Hollander Jazz Band – August 18

New Jazz band of local artists bringing lots of energy and inspiration in jazz.

Arts on Central - August 25

A joint effort of the Chamber, local businesses, and the Arts Council bringing food, music, and fun! Featuring a street dance with Metro Machines Entertainment!

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!



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