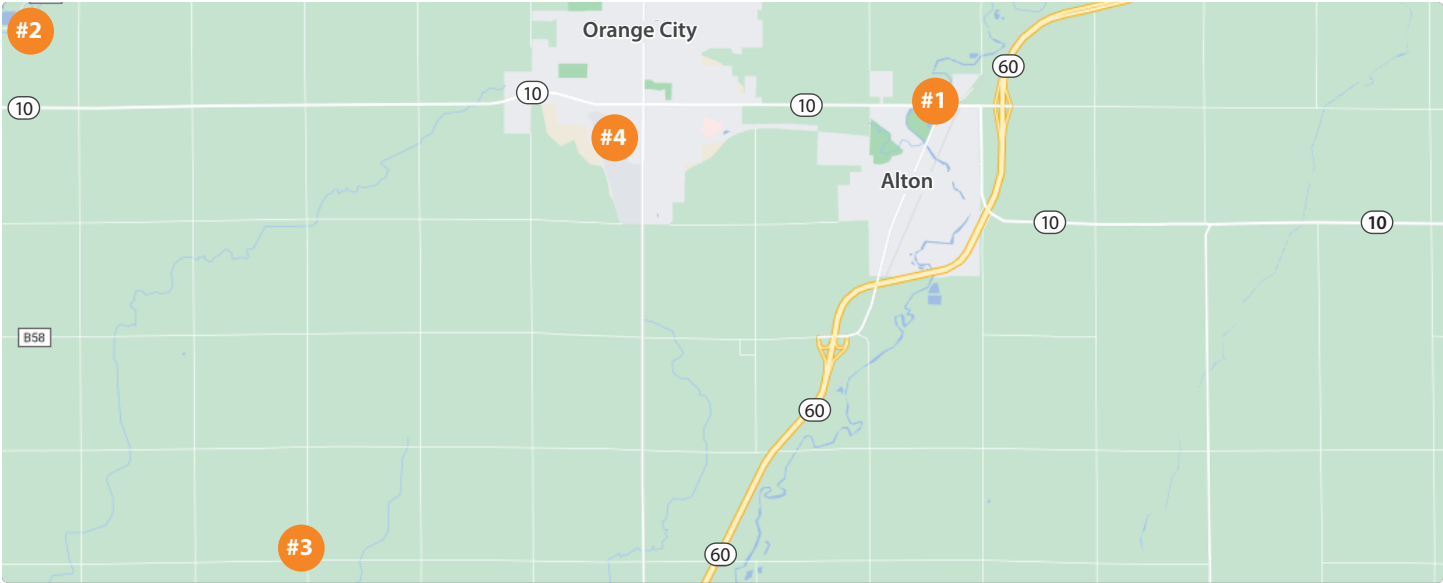


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water conservation ordinance

Dear Orange City Resident,

We continue to see the effects of the current drought conditions in our area. Our portion of northwest Iowa continues to be in a severe drought. These conditions will require some additional restrictions.

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

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 have 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 additional distribution lines to meet our growing need for quality water. We will also be adding additional storage. These plans are in the works and we are hopeful will be on line in 2022.

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.

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

Effective immediately we are moving to the **Water Warning** phase of the ordinance. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Earl Woudstra, City Administrator



Full ordinance details

How does this years precipitation compare to the average?

May 2021 was the driest May over the past 127 years. Down 1.5 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.



you are appreciated...and invited

The City of OC Customer Appreciation Picnic is planned for Wednesday evening, July 14, from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm in the downtown Windmill Park. City Council and staff members representing OC Municipal Utilities will be serving up grilled sandwiches, refreshments, and side dishes. Also, the Tulip Festival Steering Committee will be furnishing dessert as a “thank you” to all of the volunteers who helped with the celebration. Mark your calendars to be our guests to share a fun night with friends and family.

arts council welcomes abigail rockhill

The Orange City Arts Council welcomes Abigail Rockhill as Director Intern for the summer. Abby is an Orange City native and will begin her senior year at Bethel University in St. Paul, MN in the fall where she studies voice performance. She is looking forward to gaining practical, hands-on experience while learning about the administrative side of the arts.



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 from June 15 through July 8 from 9 am to 10 pm. Exception: discharge hours are extended to 11 pm on July 4 and the Saturdays and Sundays immediately preceding and following July 4.
- 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.

jay avenue / moc elementary project update

Construction continues on the project leading to the new MOC/FV Elementary School project. The City is joining the school and county in developing and paving Jay Ave. out to the new school location. The focus recently has been on the utility construction along Jay Ave, with paving to begin in the coming months. Work also continues in the residential development happening around the new school.



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. The Arts Council is excited to get the community back together in Windmill Park for great music, food, and company! All events will take place at the Windmill Park bandshell from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm.

Mark your calendars:

- June 30: Festival Latino with Calle 7 (at 6:30 pm)
- July 7: Dueling Fiddles
- July 14: Orange City Community Band
- July 21: Johnsmith
- July 28: Orange City Community Band
- August 4: Improv Falls
- August 11: The Ruralists
- August 18: Hollander Jazz
- August 25: Arts on Central

City Hall closed Monday July 5th 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
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