

JULY 2022 Newsletter

Fireworks Ordinance

Happy 4th of July! Have a wonderful holiday weekend and remember to be considerate of your neighbors and their pets if you plan to let off fireworks. Below are the days and hours fireworks are allowed.

Restricted Use. No person shall use, explode, or discharge any consumer fireworks on days other than **July 3rd through July 5th, inclusive, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.** Click [here](#) to read the full fireworks Ordinance 41.14

Safety Tips!

- ★ Never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks, including sparklers.
- ★ Make sure fireworks are legal in your area before buying or using them.
- ★ Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose handy in case of fire or other mishap.
- ★ Light fireworks one at a time, then move back quickly.
- ★ Never try to re-light or pick up fireworks that have not ignited fully.
- ★ Never use fireworks while impaired by alcohol or drugs.
- ★ More Fireworks Safety Tips: [cpsc.gov/fireworks](https://www.cpsc.gov/fireworks)

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Upcoming Events



July 4th

City Hall Closure Dates for July:
4th and 18th - 21st

July 13 - Front Porch Cumming

July Meetings

All meetings are held in person at City Hall and via Zoom

July 11th

City Council 7 pm

July 19th

Park & Rec 7 pm

July 20th

Hometown Pride 6 pm

July 25th

City Council 7pm

July 26th

Planning & Zoning 7 pm



West Des Moines Public Library

There are fun activities for all ages at the library. Here are a couple of the events this month!

July 11th - 1:00 - 4:00 pm
ISU Insect Zoo

July 13th - 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Super Smash Bros Ultimate for Teens

July 27th 10:00 - 11:00 am
Babies on the Move - Water Fun!

July 30th - 10am - 12pm
Summer Finale: Water Party!

For more information and to register for any classes go to www.wdmlibrary.org

Playing Soon!

When: July 29th at 8:30 pm

Where: Middlebrook Farm,
4300 Cumming Ave



Free popcorn provided by Cumming Community Church

Letter From the Mayor

Greetings Residents of Cumming,

Have a safe and fun Fourth of July Holiday! I would like to take a moment to remind everyone to please be respectful of your neighbors. We do not always know what types of loud noises could disturb those around us and/or their pets. Our ordinance does allow discharge of fireworks on private property in Cumming from July 3-5 however we recommend if you are going to be discharging fireworks this year to be a considerate neighbor and alert those near you ahead of time so that they may bring animals or children inside. Enjoy your weekend with family and friends.

City Hall Happenings:

On July 11th there are two public hearings being held. First hearing is for voluntary annexation of land south of Cumming Avenue, the property known as the Agrihood, owned by Middlebrook. Below is the map showing the area of annexation. The second hearing is for load and weight restrictions in Old Town. Council is concerned about the integrity of the roads, property and safety of our residents. If you have any comments, please attend the meetings via Zoom or in person at City Hall on July 11th at 7:00pm. If you are unable to attend and want a comment added or have any questions, please send an email to aritchie@cumming.iowa.gov to assist you.

The Mercantile has opened its doors, stop by to check out our newest business! They offer a wide variety of wine and local snack options. Hours may vary so check their website for current hours before heading over.

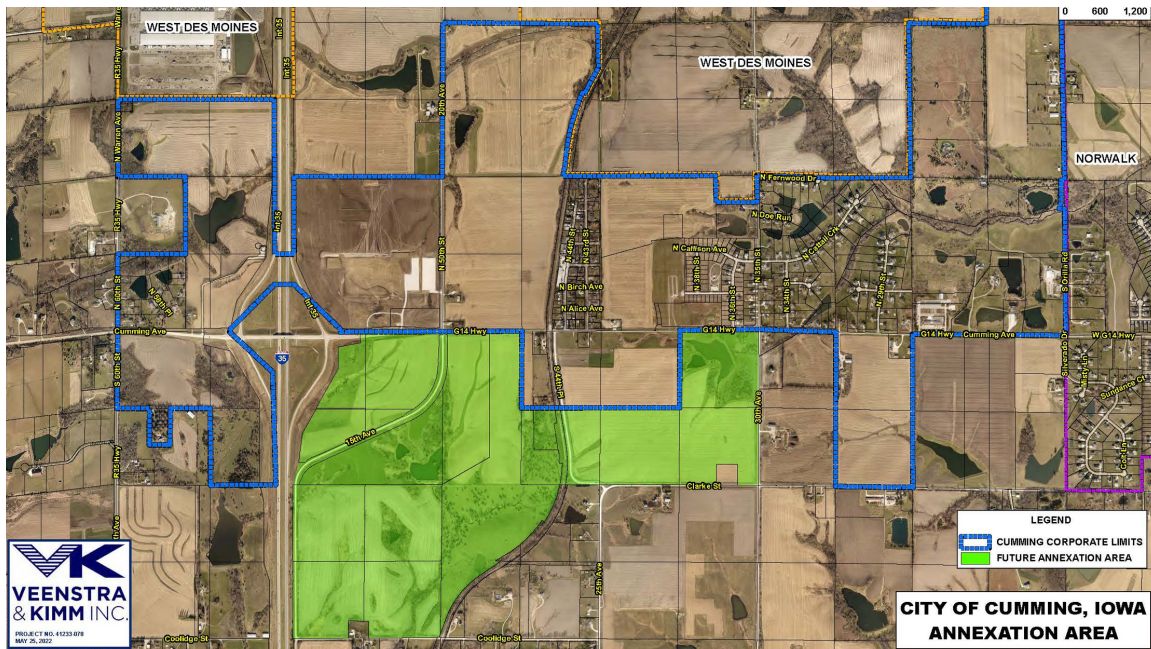
On June 8th Cumming Hometown Pride held their first Front Porch Cumming. My wife and myself hosted in our neighborhood and we had a great time having some beverages, meeting new neighbors and spending time with ones we have known for some time. We hope that you would like to join in on the fun at the next Front Porch Cumming event scheduled for July 13th and August 10th. Please visit the Cumming Hometown Pride Facebook page for information on who is hosting and where you can attend the event in your neighborhood. If you are interested in hosting, send Hometown Pride a message on Facebook or email jsmith@cumming.iowa.gov.

Friday at the Farm is a big hit again this year. They have food trucks, a farmers market with vendors and live music. Hours are Friday 4:30 pm – 7:30 pm every Friday. On the last Friday of the month our Park and Rec volunteers host a movie night. Movies begin at dusk, approximately 8:30 pm. The next movie is Aladdin, which is scheduled for July 29th and the final movie of the year, Goonies, plays on August 26th. We are looking for more volunteers who enjoy helping with events like this, if interested you can apply on our website.

Feel free to contact me with your thoughts or concerns. cmbhighfill@gmail.com or by Phone 515-238-8056

Respectfully,

Brent Highfill
Mayor



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Fourth of July Events Nearby

Sunday, July 3rd: Breakfast drive thru at the Norwalk Fire Station, 1100 Chatham Ave, Free Will Donation 7am - 10am

Monday, July 4th: 10am Norwalk 4th of July Parade, Starts at Norwalk High School

11:30 am - 3 pm Party in Norwalk City Park which includes live music, beer garden, bingo, street vendors and food trucks

At Dusk - Fireworks at McAninch Park, 200 Wright Road

Hy-Vee Update

Make sure to watch for our weekly newsletters to receive updates on Hy-Vee. They are moving forward with work on timelines and plans for when the c-store and distribution center will be up and going again. As we get information we will keep everyone informed as to what is going on with the project. If you are not on our weekly email list and want to be added, please email jsmith@cumming.iowa.gov to join.