

October 2021
Newsletter

CITY OF CUMMING OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

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Happy Founders Day, Cumming!
October 26, 1888



Left to Right, Ercel Willcockson, Elizabeth Cochran and Dr. A.L. Cochran in front of Dr. Cochran's drug store in Cumming, Iowa. Dr. Cochran graduated from medical school in 1902 and began practicing in Cumming. He was also the Mayor of Cumming from 1925-1934.

Congratulations
to Deputy Clerk, Jessica Arthur and her fiancé Corbin Smith, on their wedding day
October 2, 2021!

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Upcoming Events



October 2nd

Middlebrook Farm Fall Fest

10 am - 2 pm

October 10th

The Great Iowa Fall Ride starts at

10:30 am

October 23rd

City Fall Fest - 10 am @ City Park

October 30th

Beggars Night

Hometown Pride

Show us your beautiful fall yards! Every month the Hometown Pride Committee chooses a Yard of the Month! Photos will be posted in the newsletter. If you, or someone you know, has an outstanding yard let us know by nominating them today!



October Meetings

Monday, October 4th

Hometown Pride - 6 pm

Tuesday, October 5th

Park and Recreation - 7 pm

Monday, October 11th

City Council - 7 pm

Tuesday, October 26th

Planning & Zoning - 7 pm

West Des Moines Public Library

The West Des Moines Public Library has events going on almost daily!

Throughout the month they have Family Storytime, Tech One-on-One, writers groups and more!

Here are a few of the other events they have this month.
October 4th - Fire Safety 5:30 - 6:00 pm

October 25 - Halloween Family Night 6:30 - 7:30 pm

October 29th - Laser Tag 6 - 8 pm

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



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Fall



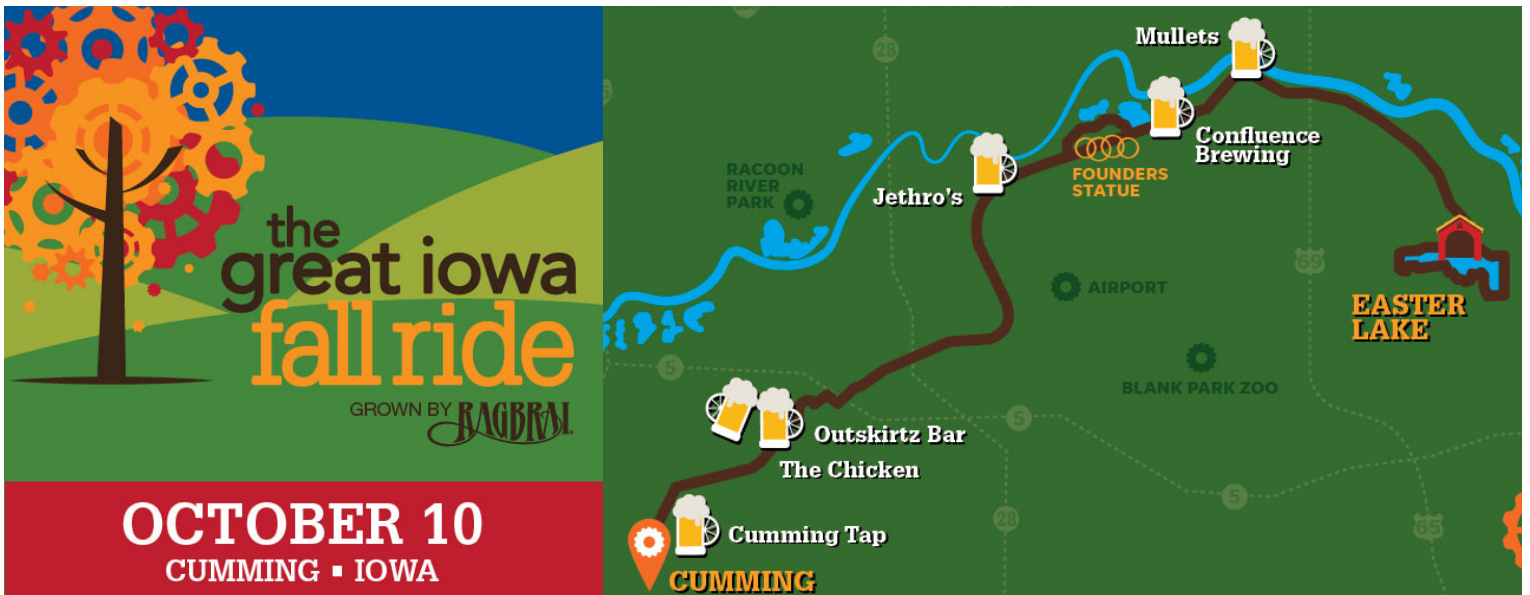
Festival

October 23, 2021
Begins at 10AM
Cumming City Park



HAYRACK RIDES (weather permitting)
PUMPKIN DECORATING
COSTUMES ENCOURAGED
SNACKS
GOATS & FUN FOR ALL!





The Great Iowa Fall Ride
 October 10, 2021
 Starts at 10:30 at the
 Cumming Tap
 Make sure to get registered!
 You will receive a keychain,
 koozie and beanie. Along the
 route there are places to
 stop for food and drinks.

For more information and to register go to
<https://ragbrai.com/thegreatiowafallride/>

Cumming Tap

Bike riders will start and end at the the Cumming Tap. They have live music starting at 3 pm, The Pork Tornadoes! Registration is required.

Don't forget to stop by and try the food trucks before it gets cold outside.

- Every Tuesday and Wednesday - Hot Pepper Mexican Food Truck from 5 - 8 pm
- Every Thursday - Pho Wheels & Sushi from 5 - 8 pm

Alert:

The road will be closed off at the corner of N 44th and Cumming Ave to N 44th and Alice



Middlebrook Farm

FALL FEST

OCT 2 | 10AM - 2PM



LIVE MUSIC

FOOD TRUCKS

FARMERS MARKET

FACE PAINTING

PUMPKIN DECORATING

FRESH PRODUCE



More info at MIDDLEBROOKFARM.COM  

Howell's Pumpkin Patch has fun fall activities for all ages!

- You pick pumpkins
- Corn maze
- Wagon ride
- Farm playground
- Zipline
- Pumpkin cannon
- Goats

Address: 3145 Howell Ct
Cumming, IA 50061

Stop by the Norwalk Fire Station to pick up a trick-or-treat bag, glow sticks and treats!

October 30, 2021 from 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Drive through the South side of bay 1 and 2.

For children in Preschool to 5th grade

Ted Lare has workshops going all throughout the month of October, here are a few fall themed crafts!

10-2 at 9am Fall Embroidery Hoop

10-16 at 10am Fall Succulent Planter

10-17 at 1pm Felted Pumpkin

10-23 at 1pm Fall Centerpiece

To see all classes and register go to tedsgardens.com/classes

Iowa Distilling Company

Live Music!

October 1st Dan Trilk 6 - 9 pm

October 8th Corbett Reeves 6 - 9 pm

October 15th Jesse and the Medicine Man 6 - 9 pm

Food Trucks!

Five Minutes Til Midnight October 8th and 29th 5 - 9 pm

Culinary Nomad October 22nd 5 - 8 pm

Pho Wheels October 15th 5 - 9 pm

Notice of Public Hearings for October 11th City Council Meeting

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF CUMMING

AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF CUMMING, IOWA: CHAPTERS 40 – PUBLIC PEACE and 69.09(2) – TRUCK PARKING LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cumming, Iowa, will conduct a public hearing on Monday, October 11, 2021, 7:00 P.M. electronically via the Zoom to receive comments on the following:

Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cumming by removing Section 69.09(2) Truck Parking Limited and adding Section 40.06 Truck Noise.

Anyone wishing to comment on this request should attend this hearing or submit written comments at any time prior to the hearing. Send comments to City of Cumming, PO Box 100, Cumming, IA 50061 or email to aritchie@cumming.iowa.gov no later than 2:00 pm on the day of the hearing. For a link to the public hearing please visit our website at www.cumming.iowa.gov. Additional information regarding this request may be obtained by contacting the City Clerk at 515-981-9214.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF CUMMING

AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF CUMMING, IOWA: ADOPTON AND REVISIONS TO THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cumming, Iowa, will conduct a public hearing on Monday, October 11, 2021, 7:00 P.M. electronically via the Zoom app: to receive comments on the following:

Amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cumming outlined in detail in Ordinance 2021-04 of the City of Cumming, Iowa pursuant to the International Fire Code, 2018 edition.

Anyone wishing to comment on this request should attend this hearing or submit written comments at any time prior to the hearing. Send comments to City of Cumming, PO Box 100, Cumming, IA 50061 or email to aritchie@cumming.iowa.gov no later than 2:00 pm on the day of the hearing. For a link to the public hearing please visit our website at www.cumming.iowa.gov. Additional information regarding this request may be obtained by contacting the City Clerk at 515-981-9214.

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION TO INSTITUTE PROCEEDINGS TO ENTER INTO A LOAN AND
DISBURSEMENT AGREEMENT
IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$325,000 (SEWER REVENUE)**

The City Council of the City of Cumming, Iowa, will meet on October 11, 2021, electronically via Zoom at:

at 7 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of instituting proceedings and taking action to enter into a loan and disbursement agreement (the "Agreement") and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$325,000, for the purpose of paying the cost, to that extent, of planning, designing and constructing improvements and extensions to the City's Municipal Sanitary Sewer System.

The Agreement will not constitute a general obligation of the City, nor will it be payable in any manner by taxation but, together with any additional obligations of the City as may be hereafter issued and outstanding from time to time ranking on a parity therewith, will be payable solely and only from the Net Revenues of the Municipal Sanitary Sewer System of the City.

At the aforementioned time and place, oral or written objections may be filed or made to the proposal to enter into the Agreement. After receiving objections, the City may determine to enter into the Agreement, in which case, the decision will be final unless appealed to the District Court within fifteen (15) days thereafter. By order of the City Council of the City of Cumming, Iowa. Angie Ritchie, City Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

City of Cumming

Notice is hereby given that the City Councils of the cities of West Des Moines and Cumming will each hold public hearings to consider a proposed annexation moratorium agreement between the cities.

The purpose of the agreement is to allow Cumming and West Des Moines to plan for their orderly future growth and for the extension of public infrastructure necessary to serve that growth. The territory under discussion is the unincorporated area between the two cities. The agreement, which will be in effect for ten years, would establish a line of demarcation between the two cities, which neither may cross through annexation. Copies of the agreement are available in the respective City Clerks' office. The City Council of the City of Cumming, Iowa shall consider approval of the agreement at a public hearing to be held at 7:00 p.m., on October 11, 2021, electronically via Zoom. Meeting ID: 864 9156 8057 and Passcode: 821268. The City Council of the City of West Des Moines will consider approval of the agreement at a public hearing to be held at 5:35 p.m., on September 7, 2021, in the Council Chambers of the City of West Des Moines' City Hall, located at 4200 Mills Civic Parkway, West Des Moines, Iowa. At the above designated times and places of the public hearing, persons may express their opinion on the proposed annexation moratorium agreement. Opinions in writing may be submitted to the City Clerk's office within the respective city before the time of the public hearing. Comments may be submitted to the Community Development Department for the City of West Des Moines at PO Box 65320, West Des Moines, Iowa 50265-0320; or to the City of Cumming at PO Box 100, Cumming, Iowa 50061. It is the responsibility of the individual with a disability requiring accommodations to inform the City Clerk's Office, at least 48 hours in advance, that certain accommodations are requested to allow full participation in the City Council meeting. Please call 515-222-3603 for the City of West Des Moines, or 515-981-9214 for the City of Cumming to have accommodations provided. CITY OF CUMMING, IOWA, and CITY OF WEST DES MOINES, IOWA

Cumming City Hall

649 N 44th St. PO Box 100

Hours: 10AM - 2PM

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City Clerk: Angie Ritchie

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Deputy Clerk: Jessica Arthur

jarthur@cumming.iowa.gov

Halloween is just around the corner, Sunday October 31st! Beggars night is the night before, October 30th. If you plan to hand out candy, remember to turn on your porch light. Have a safe and fantastic October and Happy Halloween!



Upcoming City/School Election is Tuesday, November 2, 2021

VOTING LOCATION: Cumming American Legion post 562, 117 N. 44th Street

Polls are open from 7 am to 8 pm

Deadline for requesting an absentee ballot is Monday, October 18, 2021. You may request an absentee ballot online

The Mayor and 2 City Council seats are up for election/re-election on November 2, 2021

Running for Mayor: Brent Highfill, 4 year term

There are four running for the two open council seats:

Larry (Dino) Goode, Jr., incumbent, 4 year term

Charlie Ochanpaugh, Incumbent, 4 year term

Josh Giesemann, 4 year term

Garth Swisher, 4 year term

October 13th - 1st day to vote in the Auditor's Office IF ballots have been received from printer

October 18th - Pre-registration Deadline & Absentee Ballot Request Deadline New registrations AFTER this date will have to be presented with proof of residency and Identity according to Secretary of State guidelines.

Absentee ballots can no longer be mailed out of our office AFTER this date. However, early voting in person will continue at the Auditor's Office until Monday, November 1st until 5:00PM