



Making Orting a better place to live, work, play and do business, while preserving our strong sense of community.

LEAVES ARE FALLING - LET'S KEEP ORTING FLOWING!

Fall Stormwater Reminders from the Public Works Department

As fall arrives, colorful leaves begin to drop—and while they look great on trees, they can cause big problems when they pile up in our streets and storm drains. Clogged drains lead to flooding, slick roads, and damage to our stormwater system. The City's Stormwater and Street crews are out sweeping and maintaining drains, but we need your help to keep things flowing smoothly.

How You Can Help

- Don't rake or blow leaves into the street. They wash into drains and cause blockages.
- Clear leaves from drains and gutters near your home. Use a rake or broom and stay safely off the road.
- Bag or compost leaves - never leave piles in the street.



Street Sweeping Schedule

Our sweeper helps prevent flooding by removing leaves and debris. Please move vehicles off the street on sweeping days so crews can reach the gutters. September through February, sweeping will take place the first full week of each month.

Weekly Routes:

- Monday - River's Edge and Carbon River Landing
- Wednesday - Whitehawk and Rainier Meadows
- Thursday - Calistoga Place, The Meadows, and Hidden Lakes
- Friday (AM) - Downtown and Village Green



Together, we keep Orting flowing. Report blocked drains or flooding to Public Works at (360) 893-9039.



Pictured above: 2025 Orting Rec Fall soccer program.

UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

- November 25 - Regular Council Meeting
- November 27 & 28 - Thanksgiving Break (City offices closed)
- December 1 - Planning Commission
- December 6 - Home for Holidays Event, 4-7pm
- December 10 - Regular Council Meeting
- December 17 - Study Session



Orting's Home for the Holidays Festival is December 6th from 4-7pm, with a tree lighting ceremony at 5:30pm. We heard Santa and the Grinch might even be there!

PARKS & RECREATION NEWS

This year's Orting Police Department Halloween event on October 31st was a spooky success! Families gathered at City Hall for the much-anticipated haunted hallway, which wowed both kids and adults with its eerie forest theme. Brave visitors wound their way through twisting trees, flickering lights, and mysterious sounds that set the perfect Halloween mood.

After making it through the haunted hallway, children enjoyed trick-or-treating with our local police officers, filling their bags with goodies while forging fun memories and stronger community ties. Another highlight was the police officers' pumpkin carving contest, where everyone had the chance to vote for their favorite creative masterpiece. The winner this year was Officer Guyette's "Pumpkin Jail," which captured the spirit of the season and plenty of smiles. Thank you to our officers and everyone who participated in making this event unforgettable!

Upcoming Holiday Programs & Events

- **Home for the Holidays Festival**

- When: December 6th, 4:00–7:00 pm
- Where: Orting Main City Park
- Join us for delicious food, unique holiday shopping from local vendors, a joyous tree lighting ceremony, and a special visit from Santa at 5:30 pm. After the tree is lit, children can take free photos with Santa, creating treasured holiday memories. Keep your eyes open for the Grinch, who may make a mischievous appearance!

- **Cookies with Mrs. Claus**

- When: December 7th, various times
- Enjoy decorating cookies and festive activities with Mrs. Claus. Advance registration is required. Sign up at: www.teamsideline.com/cityoforting.

- **Yarn Wrapped Trees Craft Class (Adults)**

- When: December 11th, 6:00–7:00 pm
- Channel your creativity as you design your own yarn-wrapped holiday trees. This class is for adults and space is limited, so register early to reserve your spot.

- **Letters to Santa**

- Santa is waiting to hear from you! Drop your letter in the special box outside City Hall by December 15th, and Santa will write back to your child. Don't miss your chance to receive a reply straight from the North Pole!

- **Family Holiday Movie Night: "Elf"**

- Gather the whole family for a festive movie night in the Multipurpose Room at the library. Enjoy a screening of Elf with popcorn and hot cocoa. Advance registration is required; cost is \$5 per person.

The Parks & Recreation Department wishes everyone in Orting a joyful and safe holiday season. We look forward to celebrating with you and your loved ones at these community events!

'TIS THE SEASON
TO LIGHT UP
ORTING!



Our Maintenance team
gears up for another year
of holiday lights in
Orting.



Check out photos from the OPD Halloween Event on the next page!

City of Orting Public Survey Results



Map shows "Safety Concerns by Location"

Stay up to date by visiting our City's Project Updates page [HERE](#).

Pictured below: Community members vote in the pumpkin contest and trick or treat in City Hall's haunted hallway.



CAPTIAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Safe Streets for All – Safety Action Plan Update

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Safe Streets for All survey! We received 305 responses, and we sincerely appreciate the time and input from our community.

Keller Associates is currently analyzing crash data and reviewing the survey feedback. This information will help them develop recommended safety countermeasures, which will be presented to the Advisory Committee in the first quarter of 2026.

Kansas St SW – Construction Begins in Early 2026

The City issued an Invitation to Bid for the reconstruction of Kansas St SW, which includes a new roadway, upgraded sidewalks and crosswalks, water line replacement, stormwater improvements, and other safety enhancements along the corridor. Eighteen bids were received, and the City is preparing to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder, Active Construction, Inc.

The City Council is expected to take action on the contract at its December meetings. Once approved, the city will hold a Pre-Construction Meeting with the contractor, after which a detailed construction schedule will be developed.

Residents with easements along the project area will receive written notification at least 30 days before construction activities begin. Project updates will be posted on the City's website and shared on social media as we move forward with this exciting effort to rebuild one of the City's key truck routes.

Welcome Orting Police Officer Joe Halahuni

We are thrilled to introduce Officer Joe Halahuni, our newest Orting Police Officer! Officer Halahuni, who graduated from OHS, is already actively involved in our community serving as coach in football and lacrosse. He now brings his 10+ years of law enforcement experience to the Orting PD team. In addition to being a fantastic Patrol Officer, Joe will serve as SRO for the Orting School District where he is sure to be a familiar and trusted presence as he connects with students families and staff in this new capacity.

Please join us in welcoming Officer Halahuni. His experience and professionalism is already proving to be a valuable asset to the department and our community.



Did you know you can view the City of Orting Monthly Financial Reports, 2025 budget, and Mayor’s Proposed 2026 Budget on the city website?

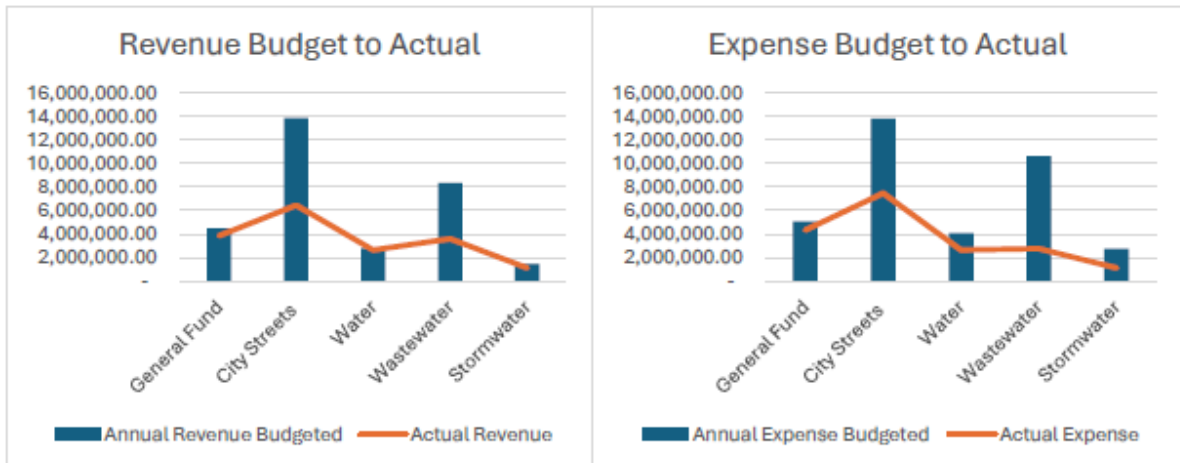


Follow progress on all of our City Projects on our website! Click [HERE](#) or scan the QR code to be taken to our Project Updates page.

<https://www.cityoforting.org/government/finance/budgets>

Major Revenues and Expenses include:

- **General Fund:** Budgeted at \$4.5 million; revenues collected through October total \$3.8 million.
- **City Streets Fund:** Budgeted at \$13.8 million; revenues collected through September total \$6.4 million.
- **Water Fund:** Budgeted at \$2.7 million; revenues collected through September total \$2.6 million.
- **Wastewater Fund:** Budgeted at \$8.3 million; revenues collected through September total \$3.6 million.
- **Stormwater Fund:** Budgeted at \$1.4 million; revenues collected through September total \$1.1 million.



- **General Fund:** Budgeted at \$5 million; expenses through September total \$4.3 million.
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- **Water Fund:** Budgeted at \$4 million; expenses through September total \$2.6 million.
- **Wastewater Fund:** Budgeted at \$10.6 million; expenses through September total \$2.7 million.
- **Stormwater Fund:** Budgeted at \$2.7 million; expenses through September total \$1.1 million.

Significant Changes for October:

- The City received \$484,871 from WSDOT for reimbursement of the Pedestrian Bridge expenses with pending reimbursements of \$430,090 for August and \$470,958 for September. Current grant funds remaining for the Orting Pedestrian Bridge are \$1.998 million as of end of October.
- The City received \$67,525 from Hartford insurance for the Well #1 Pump replacement claim submitted in September.
- City Streets Fund is budgeted \$4 million for the Kanas Street Reconstruction revenue and expenses which will not start until 2026.