

City Newsletter

APRIL 2023



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AVOCA CLEAN UP DAY FRIDAY, APRIL 29



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FYI 2023 CEMETRY FEES

Cemetery Lot	\$500.00
Administration Fee- State of Iowa	\$10.00
Grave Opening and Closing- Burial	\$700.00
Grave Opening and Closing - Burial Weekend	\$850.00
Grave Opening and Closing- Cremains	\$350.00
Grave Opening and Closing - Cremains Weekend	\$425.00
Sale of Lot Back to City	Cost of original lot
Plot Transfer Fee	\$50.00



**NO LEAVES, GRASS, or Other DEBRIS
allowed in Streets or Alley Ways!**

DO NOT MOW OR BLOW INTO STREETS!

IT IS AGAINST OUR CITY ORDINANCE TO DO SO.

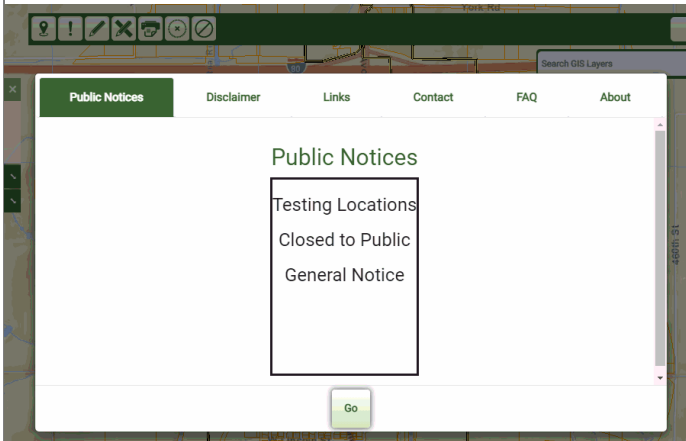
Violators will be ticketed.

PROPERTY OWNERS will be notified for code violation regarding the height of grass 6 inches and taller. When not brought into compliance, the City will mow and penalty fee charged to the property owner.

AVOCA GRACELAND CEMETERY and other City of Avoca Assets

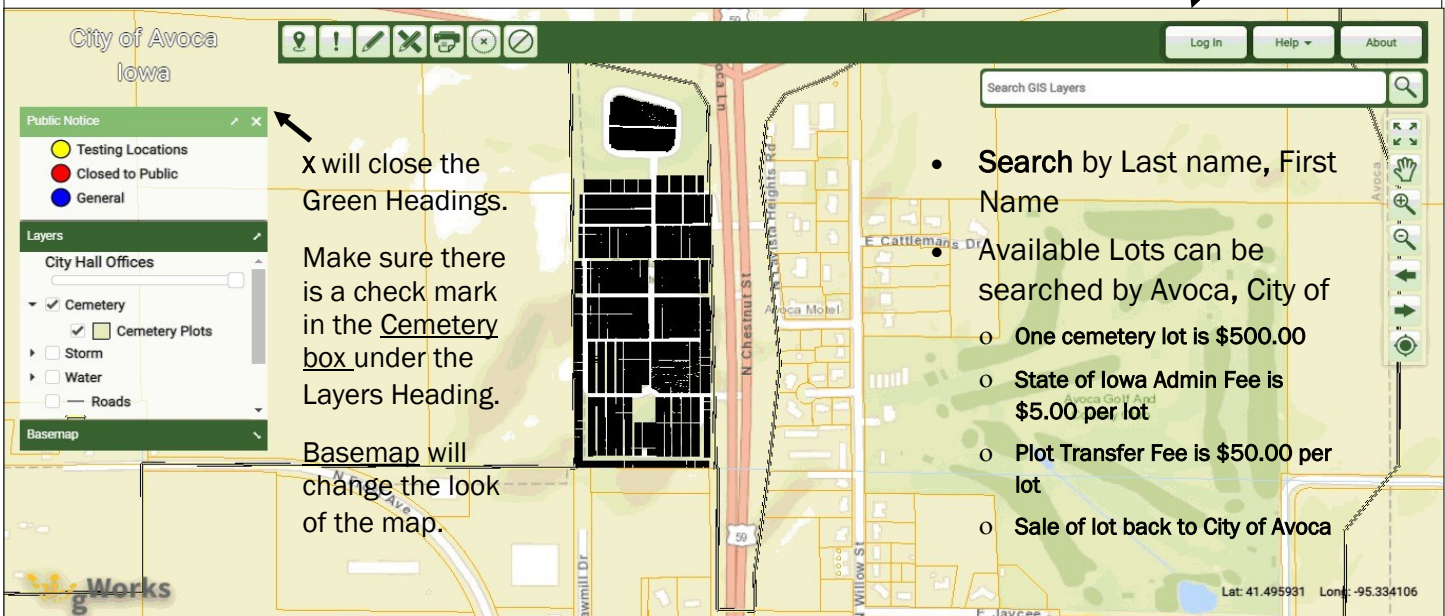
ONLINE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING

<https://cityofavoca.gworks.com>



**SIMPLY CLICK ON
THE GO TAB TO
GET STARTED**

no need to login



**Other LAYERS include STORM, WATER, ROADS,
CITY BOUNDARY, PARCELS and SECTIONS.**

**If you need help navigating the website, please call City Hall or
email: frontdesk@cityofavoca.com**



PLEASE
PICK UP
AFTER
YOUR PET



PET LICENSES ARE NOW PAST DUE!

Starting on March 1st there IS a \$5 fee placed on each pet for each month that it is not licensed on time.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to call City Hall.

A completed application form and up-to-date rabies vaccination is required.

If your pet is no longer living with you or you have suffered the loss of your pet, please notify us and we will remove you from our records.

ATTENTION ALL LANDLORDS:

All rental dwellings (including those to family members) within the City of Avoca are subject to the 2023 registration fee of \$10 - - due upon the written notice to the owner. Letters have been mailed. If you have purchased an additional or sold a dwelling, please inform the city as soon as possible.





Annual Spring Clean Up Day

Friday, April 28

All non-appliance items must be contained in garbage bags or receptacles. Loosely piled garbage constitutes a nuisance and will result in a minimum \$50 fee assessed to the property.

Citizens will be responsible for purchasing large item stickers that must be placed on appliances in order for them to be removed during the clean-up day.

Large item stickers are currently available for purchase at City Hall.

Large item stickers cost \$30.00 and are required for appliances to be removed.

NO REFUND ON STICKERS

BUT CAN USE THE NEXT YEAR

ATTENTION:

Citizens are responsible for purchasing large item stickers that must be placed on appliances in order for them to be removed during the clean-up day.

OTHERWISE, THE ITEM WILL NOT GET PICKED UP.

Appliances: Appliances will be accepted with a \$30 fee. Appliances REQUIRE a large item sticker:

- | | | |
|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| -Stoves | -Freezers | -Air Conditioners |
| -Washing Machines | -Water Heaters | -Microwave |
| -COMPUTERS | -Dryers | -Refrigerators |
| -Dehumidifiers | -Humidifiers | -All TV's |

Prohibited Items: NONE of the following items will be accepted:

- | | | |
|--|--|-------------|
| -Household garbage | -Animal Refuse | -Chemicals |
| -Cement | -Batteries | -Yard Waste |
| -Building wood in pieces larger than 4 foot. | -TIRES | |
| -Medical Waste | -PAINTS | -OIL |
| -Hazardous Waste | -Dangerous or Sharp Building Materials | |

Call R & S Waste with any questions: 800-730-3471

BURN/DUMP SITE REGULATIONS :

1. No Illegal Dumping – Illegal Dumping violates City Code 4:28.
2. The burn site may only be used by residents and businesses within the City of Avoca.
3. There is now an area for concrete disposal. Arrangements must be made with Public Works Department PRIOR to dumping.

BURN PILE: Small tree limbs, branches or stumps only
\$100 FINE FOR ILLEGAL DUMPING

**THIS PROPERTY IS UNDER 24 HOUR
VIDEO SURVEILLANCE.**

Contact City Hall 712-343-2424 with questions.



Public Notice:

The Avoca Public Safety Department will be sending COURTESY LETTERS to residents who are in violation of parking standards as defined in the City Code, Chapter 5. This is a City penalty.

⇒ ***The letter states that you will have 30 days to correct the violation.***

⇒ ***Violations are subject to \$25.00 fee and subject to towing charges.***

Avoca Library APRIL Programs

WEDNESDAY APRIL 12th

BEGINNING SIGNS OF ALZHEIMER'S

In the early stage of Alzheimer's disease, families face new questions as they adjust. This program provides practical answers to the questions that arise in the early stages.

Classes will be held at
Avoca Public Library

213 N. Elm Street Avoca, IA

Friday, March 10th at 1:00 pm
and

Wednesday, April 12th at 6:30 pm

SNACKS AND DRINKS
WILL BE PROVIDED

**TO REGISTER CONTACT
MINDY AT 833-870-5182**

alzheimer's association

**Hansen
House**
Senior Living
703 Dye Street, Harlan IA 51537
ph. 833-870-5182 fx. 833-870-7145

MONDAY, APRIL 24th



MOVIE for "Adults"

Free will donation
for coffee and
donuts.



CHILDREN'S STORYTIME

Every Wednesday 10:30 a.m.



**NATIONAL
LIBRARY
WEEK**

April 23—29, 2023

ALA American Library Association

Public Library of the City of Avoca



Report Unwanted Calls



Verify Your Registration



Register Your Phone

THE NATIONAL DO NOT CALL REGISTRY

Gives you a choice about whether to receive telemarketing calls.

You can **REGISTER** your home or mobile phone for **free**.

After you register, **other types of organizations may still call you**, such as charities, political groups, debt collectors and surveys.

If you received an unwanted call after your number was on the National Registry for 31 days, **report it to the FTC**.

Go to <https://telemarketing.donotcall.gov> to access the National Do Not Call Registry.



Mission of the Avoca Main Street is to sustain our downtown district as the economic cultural and social center of our community by utilizing the four point approach of Main Street America.

Main Street Update Newsletter

APRIL 2023

Main Street Iowa Open 4 Business Grant Competition Seeks Avoca Applicant

Main Street Iowa offers the **Open 4 Business** program to encourage business development in designated Main Street Iowa districts around the state.

required. The grant funds are administered by the Iowa Economic Development Authority's Downtown Resource Center and Main Street Iowa program.

Avoca Main Street, Inc. is looking for interested entrepreneurs who could use up to \$20,000 to grow their business within the Avoca Main Street district. The **Open 4 Business** contest, launched in 2015, is an opportunity for businesses located in a state-designated Main Street district to compete for a chance to win up to \$20,000 in grant funds to assist with a business development or expansion project that will benefit the local community.

Businesses must complete an application and submit a three-minute video outlining their business idea and how it will benefit the local economic climate in their community. A 25% cash match is

Eligible Expenses

YES

Inventory
Equipment
Marketing
Computer/Software
Upgrades

NO

Rent
Utilities
Payroll
Remodeling
Vehicles

Each designated Main Street community may submit one local business applicant that will represent Avoca at the state competition held in Sioux City, Iowa on August 1, 2023.

If you wish to be considered for the Avoca submission, please prepare and submit one three-minute video pitch to mainstreet@cityofavoca.com by April 10, 2023.

For complete details about this program, please contact Amber Mohr at 712.307.0172 or mainstreet@cityofavoca.com or Robin Bostrom, Business Specialist, Iowa Downtown Resource Center/Main Street Iowa at 515.348.6176 or robin.bostrom@iowaEDA.com.

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