

Ely Project Updates

Below is a list of projects that are currently in progress for the city. Tentative updates below may flex depending on a variety of variables. Stay up to date on the progress of these projects by attending council meetings, signing up for the Mayor's newsletter and following City social media outlets.

Community Center

A bond referendum is on the ballot this November 2023 for residents to vote whether this project will be moving forward. For more information on the project visit: <https://www.elyiowa.com/city-updates/pages/community-center>.

Watts Development (off Rogers Creek Road)

Council will be reviewing the final plat for Phase 1 (approximately 60 homes) in September. If approved, home construction will begin in October 2023.

Abode Development (off State Street & Mabie Road)

The developer is incorporating a mix of residential & commercial properties. Plans are still in the works with the goal of starting the project in 2024.

Banner Valley Road

In August, council approved Phase 1 to go to bid which includes a sidewalk on the south side of Banner Valley from Pacific to Rock Island. Additional engineering will take place on the section spanning from Rock Island to Glendale. If this additional segment works within the budget, it will be added to Phase 1. This phase will be completed by May 2024. Phase 2, including a sidewalk from Glendale to Sunrise will be designed and reviewed in a future fiscal year, as funds are available. The last phase will be to apply an asphalt overlay on Banner Valley.

Old Town Project

Phase 1 for this project was approved to go to bid by council, encompassing Main Street (from Dows to Traer) and Traer Street (from Main to State). This phase will include new roads, curb & gutter, sidewalks, and storm water improvements. Bids will be collected over the winter, with the project awarded and beginning in 2024.

Krob's Property

This project continues to move forward. This past summer, designs were presented to the public with condos available for sale. The city continues to work with the developer to bring this project along in conjunction with the road project.



Subscribe to the Ely Social for once a month event updates via email

October 31

Curbside Limb Pickup Last pickup for the season

October 26

Ely Spook Walk

October 31

Trick or Treating

November 7

General Election

November 10

Veterans Day
City offices will be closed

November 23 & 24

Thanksgiving
City offices will be closed

December 25 & 26

Christmas City
City offices will be closed

January 1 & 2

New Year's
City offices will be closed



Ely Website
www.elyiowa.com
Library Website
www.ely.lib.ia.us

Election Information

Next Active Election:
November 7, 2023 - Gubernatorial General Election

Election Day Polling Place:
St. John Lutheran Church, 1420 Walker St, Ely

Election Day Polling Place Hours:
7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Voter Pre-Registration Deadline:
5:00 PM on Monday, October 23, 2023

Absentee Ballot by Mail Request Deadline:
5:00 PM on Monday, October 23, 2023

Water Treatment Facility

In 2022 the city was awarded a \$1 million grant towards this project. The project is currently being engineered and the city is working to acquire land to build the facility. Once an agreement for the land is in place the city will conduct workshops for the residents to review the project. This facility will help to reduce the iron and hardness in the city's water.

New! City Park Parking Lot

This project is currently being engineered with a budget of \$250,000 to extend Northgate Drive into the park and add a parking lot with room for further expansion. The goal is to put this out for bid during the winter months with construction in 2024.

Hoosier Creek Trunk Sewer Project

This project is now complete!

Waste Management

Please remember that all service calls must be placed by residents. For example, if Waste Management: misses your bin, does not completely empty your bin, if you need maintenance (i.e. a wheel fell off) or you need to request a replacement bin, please contact 1-800-964-8988. You have the option to wait on hold or receive a call back.

Nixle Voice & Text Alerts



The City utilizes the Nixle system to notify residents, who elect to receive messages, of emergency and advisory alerts. These alerts include snow emergencies, boil advisories and water main breaks. Sign up by texting our zip code: 52227 to the phone number 888-777 or sign up on the City website at the bottom of the home page. If you have questions or need assistance, please call City Hall at 319-848-4103.



Community Ice Skating Rink

Winter is approaching which means the Ely Ice Skating Rink will be open near the end of December (weather permitting)! When the temperatures begin to drop, the gates to the tennis and basketball court will lock so that the rink can be installed. We appreciate your understanding during this transitional period. Stay tuned for more details and check the City Facebook Page for updates.

Winterfest

The City of Ely and Downtown Ely Businesses are preparing for their annual Winterfest celebration on Saturday December 9th. More information will be available in the coming months. Check out all of the details on the Ely Winterfest Facebook page or on the City's website. Be sure to stop out and spend a day of holiday fun in Ely!

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Council Meetings:
1st and 3rd Monday
each month 7:00 p.m.
in the Council Chamber
2nd floor.

Ely Expression



New Community Center in Ely Vote November 7

To find more information on this project,
visit www.elyiowa.com or scan the QR code



Ely Halloween Treaters!

It finally looks and feels like Fall. The trees are losing their leaves, the air is crisp, and the ghosts, goblins, and superhero's will come knocking on your door on Halloween night (October 31) between 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. Please remember to turn your front light on so Trick or Treaters know that you are home and whether or not to stop at your house.

Ely Spook Walk

Join the Ely businesses in celebrating Halloween with their 7th annual Spook Walk from 5-7pm on Thursday October 26th. Participating businesses will have spooky treats, special deals and of course trick-or-treating for the kids. You won't want to miss this Spook-tacular event. Be sure to follow the City of Ely's Facebook page for more information in the coming weeks.

The Great Pumpkin Float

3rd annual Pumpkin Float is back in 2023! For this one special night, the City Park Pond will come aglow with floating pumpkins. The smell of fire pits and roasting marshmallows will fill the air while your favorite Halloween tunes help to bring the spooky vibe. Ely Parks & Recreation will be selling \$1 s'more kits, hot chocolate, delicious hot dogs and other beverages at the concession stand during the event. Families are encouraged to bring blankets or chairs to sit on. Want to watch your own pumpkin float on the water? You can! Ely Parks & Rec Staff will provide the rafts and the light - all you provide is the carved pumpkin. Your pumpkin **MUST** weigh 5lbs or less to float. You may carve your pumpkin with a face, polka dots, initials, or any other design - it must be family friendly. To reserve a raft, sign up via CivicRec. There are 50 total slots available. One pumpkin per raft.



COMMUNITY NEWS

The City of Ely has a website!

Check it out at
ELYIOWA.COM



Ely Fall Fest That's a wrap on the 16th annual Ely Fall Fest!

On behalf of the Park Board and Fall Fest Committee; we would like to thank EVERYONE who volunteered, sponsored and came out to celebrate this year.

We would like to extend a sincere and special thank you to:

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| Ely Public Works | T & K Roofing | House Divided Brewery | Kiracofe Oil Co. |
| Ely Fire Department | Price Mechanical | LL Pelling Co. | Bolton & Menk, Inc. |
| Friends of the Ely Public Library | TSF Structures | MSA Professional Service, Inc. | Dan & Debbie's Creamery |
| Friends of Ely Parks & Recreation | Jesse Grade, Skogman | My Mom's Bakery | All 2023 event Sponsors |
| Leisure Zone | 380 Companies | South Slope Cooperative | All of our local businesses |
| Peritia Advisors | Epic Interior | Innovative Signs | All Ely residents! |
| E & J Geothermal | Volt Electric | Atlantic Bottling Company | |
| | Lowden Plumbing & Heating | Caseys General Store | |
| | FJ Krob & Company | Solon State Bank | |



To the vendors, classic car owners, families, and all others - you are what make Fall Fest so special. On behalf of the Park Board and Recreation Department, thank you for your continued support. This annual event cannot happen without the support of all the organizations, businesses and individuals mentioned above - we are forever appreciative. **#beEly #beHome**