

community information

CITY OF MARION

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CITY GOVERNMENT

Mayor Nicolas AbouAssaly	1225 6th Avenue	319-743-6305
At-Large – Randy Strnad	1820 Agate Circle	319-377-3276
At-Large – Steve Jensen	3830 Monarch Avenue	319-360-7009
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Ward Four – Sara Mentzer	2305 Timber Creek Drive	319-538-8296

All members of the Council can be reached by e-mail: council@cityofmarion.org. To help direct incoming messages, this inbox is monitored by the City Clerk who will forward on to all council members and any applicable department directors.

The Marion City Council meets in work session on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Meetings are held in the Council Chambers at Marion City Hall, 1225 6th Avenue, and begin at 4 p.m. Regular session meetings are held at 5:30 p.m. on the Thursday following each work session. Check the City's website or call 319-743-6301 to confirm. All Council meetings are open to the public.

The Council's Strategic Plan and an archive of minutes and agendas can be found under the City Council tab at www.cityofmarion.org.

CITY DEPARTMENTS

Administration

1225 6th Avenue – Suite 110 319-743-6301 aabernathey@cityofmarion.org citymanager@cityofmarion.org

City Clerk

1225 6th Avenue – Suite 110 319-743-6327 cityclerk@cityofmarion.org

Community Development Dept.

Building Division 1225 6th Avenue – Suite 220 319-743-6330 buildingpermits@cityofmarion.org

Planning Division 1225 6th Avenue - Suite 210 319-743-6320 planning@cityofmarion.org

Engineering Department

1225 6th Avenue – Suite 200 319-743-6340 mbarkalow@cityofmarion.org

Finance Department

1225 6th Avenue – Suite 170 319-743-6350 accounting@cityofmarion.org

Fire Department

100 Irish Drive 319-377-8237 Emergency - 911 tfagan@cityofmarion.org

Marion Public Library

1101 6th Avenue 319-377-3412 info@marionpubliclibrary.org

Parks & Recreation Department

Recreation/Aquatics Office Lowe Park | 4500 N. 10th Street 319-447-3590 sstaashelm@cityofmarion.org

Parks Administrative/Operations Office Thomas Park | 343 Marion Blvd 319-447-3580 bneighbor@cityofmarion.org

Police Department

6315 Highway 151 Non-Emergency - 319-377-1511 Emergency - 911 Records - 319-200-7714 Administration - 319-200-7727 administration@marionpolice.com

Public Services Department

195 35th Street 319-377-6367 Solid Waste Collection/ Sewer/Street Maintenance public-services@cityofmarion.org

Water Department

3050 5th Avenue 319-743-6310 Emergency: Mon-Fri, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. - 319-743-6310 After hours, Marion Police -319-377-1511 tsteigerwaldt@cityofmarion.org

UTILITIES

Cable/ Internet/	Mediacom	1-866-550-8636	www.mediacomcable.com
Phone	Century Link	1-888-618-0678	www.getcenturylink.com
	ImOn	1-319-298-6484	www.imon.net
	Windstream	1-866-445-5880	www.windstream.com
City Utilities Water Sewer Garbage Recycling	Marion Water Dept. Marion City Hall 3050 5th Ave. Marion, Iowa 52302	1-319-743-6310 to start/end utility service 1-319-377-6367 for questions related to sewer, garbage or recycling service	www.cityofmarion.org
Electric	Alliant Energy Outage Linn County REC	1-800-255-4268 1-800-255-4268 1-800-332-5420	www.alliantenergy.com www.linncountyrec.com
Natural Gas	MidAmerican Energy Gas Leak Outage	1-888-427-5632 1-800-595-5325 1-800-799-4443	www.midamerican energy.com

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eNewsletters

Keep informed of the topics that you care about and subscribe to one or all of the electronic newsletters provided. Visit www.cityofmarion.org/enotify to sign up.

Utility Bills

The Marion Water Department prepares and mails the City's utility bill. Most residential users are billed every two months, while most commercial accounts are billed monthly.

Payment may be made through the Water Department's Check-Free Payment Program, credit card, debit card, personal check, cash and money order. The Water Department accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover cards. To make payment via the self-service online portal, visit www.cityofmarion.org/billingoptions.

The department is able to send the utility bill electronically to those who request this option. Contact the Water Department with any billing questions at 319-743-6310. The Water Department's drive-up drop box is now located at their office at 3050 5th Avenue.

Door Tag Charge

There is a charge of \$32.10 if the Water Department has to hang a door tag at the customer's dwelling or business if payment has not been made on time. Customers are encouraged to call 319-743-6310 to make a payment arrangement and avoid the door tag charge, or loss of water service.

Street Light Outage

To report a street light outage or issue contact the Public Services Department at 319-377-6367 or email public-services@cityofmarion.org. Be sure to include the address/location of the outage.

Building Permits

Requiring permits and inspections is the only way the Building Inspection Division can ensure modifications to a building meet the minimum levels of health and safety. Performing work that does not meet these basic requirements becomes an important disclosure issue for home owners and insurers. A building permit is required when any building or structure is erected, constructed, altered, repaired, removed or demolished. Small projects such as changing a toilet, garbage disposal, sink faucet, light fixture or electrical outlets do not require a permit. However, adding or moving an electrical outlet, light fixture, sink or dishwasher would need a permit. The Building Inspection Division can assist with this process and answer questions at 319-743-6330.

Temporary Signage

Signs other than official traffic or street signs are not allowed in the City right-of-way. This includes such signs as For Sale, Garage Sale, advertising or political signs. Signs placed between the curb and the sidewalk are considered in the right -of-way and will be removed. Contact the Engineering Department for more information: 319-743-6340.

NON-CITY SERVICES

U.S. Postal Service		Marion Post Office 3800 Hwy. 151 Marion, IA 319-377-2818	www.usps.com
Driver's License Bureau	Driver testing; License renewal; Handicapped parking permits	lowa DOT 3726 Queen Court SW, Suite 204, Cedar Rapids, IA 319-377-6461	www.iowadot.gov
Linn County Auditor	Elections & Voter Registration	935 2nd Street SW Cedar Rapids, IA 319-892-5300 ext. 1	elections@linncounty.org www.linncounty.org/128/ Auditor
Linn County Treasurer	Vehicle registration Property tax information	935 2nd Street SW Cedar Rapids, IA 319-892-5550	treasurer@linncounty.org www.iowataxandtags.gov
Linn County Assessor	Homestead/ military tax credit	935 2nd Street SW Cedar Rapids, IA 319-892-5220	assessor@linncounty.org www.linncounty.org/126/ Assessor
Linn County Recorder	Real estate records; Birth, death & marriage records; Passports, visas; Boat, snowmobile and ATV registration and titles	935 2nd Street SW Cedar Rapids, IA 319-892-5420	recorder@linncounty.org www.linncounty.org/149/ Recorder

NON-CITY SERVICES

Cedar Rapids/ Linn County Solid Waste Agency	Landfill Hazardous materials	1954 County Home Road Marion, IA 319-377-5290	www.solidwasteagency.org
Public Transpor- tation	CR Transit bus service	427 8th St. NW Cedar Rapids, IA 319-286-5573	www.cedar-rapids.org
	LIFTS, for elderly and disabled	Linn County LIFTS 625 31st Avenue SW Cedar Rapids, IA 319-892-5170	lifts@linncounty.org www.linncounty.org/142/ LIFTS
	NTS, Neigh- borhood Transporta- tion Service, after-hour service	317 7th Avenue SE, Suite 205 Cedar Rapids, IA 319-363-1321	www.nts-cr.org

Iowa One Call

Dial 811 before you dig so that underground utilities may be located in your area. Notification must be made at least 48 hours in advance (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays).

Voter Information

Information regarding voting, absentee ballots and voter registration can be found at www.linncountyelections.org.

Property Tax Bill

For property tax bill questions, contact the Linn County Treasurer at 319-892-5550. For property tax assessment questions, call the Linn County Assessor's office at 319-892-5220.

Landfill

The Cedar Rapids/Linn County Solid Waste Agency is located at 1954 County Home Road, Marion. The phone number is 319-377-5290. The landfill accepts old paint cans and hazardous household materials.

OUR COMMUNITY

Marion is one of the Midwest's fastest growing cities – and one of the youngest per capita. Located just minutes north of Cedar Rapids, Marion prides itself on being the best place in Iowa to raise a family and grow a business.

More than 41,000 people call Marion home. We take pride in our exceptional schools, eclectic array of cultural and entertainment offerings, beautiful city parks and diverse mix of large and small businesses. Based on population and reported crimes, Marion remains one of the safest cities in lowa.

City Square Park

City Square Park, located on 7th Avenue between 10th and 11th Streets, is a hub of activity throughout the year. Nearly all events are family-oriented and enjoyed by thousands. They include: Marion Arts Festival, Uptown Marion Market, summer concerts, Christmas in the Park...and more!

Uptown Artway

Take a stroll through the Uptown Artway, the re-imagined gathering space that runs behind 7th Avenue in Uptown Marion. What was once an under-utilized alley now features nine permanent art installations by local and national artists.

Lowe Park

Lowe Park, located at 4500 N. 10th Street, is a natural oasis. It is home to walking trails, a children's discovery garden, a greenhouse, sculpture trail, playground and lily pond. Visit the art gallery or consider the Lowe Park Arts and Environment Center for your facility rental needs.

The park is also home to the Klopfenstein Amphitheater for the Performing Arts which is used for community events and private rentals. The venue features a 50-foot stage and a canopy of six oak leaves sculpted from Corten steel. It is home to Sunrise Yoga, outdoor movie nights, various concerts and weddings throughout the year.

The west half of the 180-acre park is accessed via 4901 Alburnett Road. The park offers eight baseball and softball diamonds.

Thomas Park

Situated along Marion Boulevard, Thomas Park is one of Marion's oldest parks. It features three pavilions, playgrounds, two full-size basketball courts, ice rink, an 18 -hole disc golf, a splash pad, horseshoe courts, trails, an open play area, a sledding hill and access to Boyson Trail. It is also home to the Parks and Recreation Administrative and Operations facility.

Trails

All trails lead to Marion. Over the next five years, three major trail connections are expected between Cedar Rapids and Marion; the CeMar Trail, Lindale Trail extension and Tower Terrace Road Trail. Find a map of Marion's existing trail system at www.cityofmarion.org or view the regional trails network at www.linncountytrails.org.

Marion Chamber of Commerce

www.marioncc.org 319-377-6316

The Marion Chamber focuses its programming on commerce, community and culture. Through these three pillars they work to make Marion the best place in lowa to raise a family and grow a business.

Marion Public Library

www.marionpubliclibrary.org 319-377-3412

The new Marion Public Library is available to all, seven days a week (with the exception of holidays). Many services are available remotely through the library's website and catalog apps. Library cards are always free and offer additional access to some resources. Subscribe to the library's newsletters to keep up with events and programs available for all ages and interests. The most popular books, movies and music are offered in a variety of formats. Stop in to use the library's internet computers, laptops, or free WiFi and Notary services. WiFi Hotspots are available to check out, as well.

Marion Senior Center

Lowe Park Arts & Environment Center 4500 N. 10th Street, Marion 319-447-3590

Seniors gather Monday-Friday to socialize, play card games and BINGO, dance and more. The schedule of activities can be found by searching for senior activities at www.cityofmarion.org.

Churches of Marion Food Pantry

802 12th Street, directly north of First Presbyterian Church Open Tuesday and Thursday, 1-3 p.m. 319-377-7309

SCHOOLS

Linn-Mar Community School District 2999 N. 10th St 319-447-3000

www.linnmar.k12.ia.us

Marion Independent School District 777 S. 15th St 319-377-4691 www.marion-isd.org Marion Home School Assistance Program 1400 10th Ave 319-373-9209 mhsap.marion-isd.org

St. Joseph Catholic School 1430 14th St 319-377-6348 www.sjcsmarion.org

Information concerning school district boundaries can be obtained by contacting either district.

OUTDOORS

Marion Parks & Recreation

Lowe Park Arts & Environment Center 4500 10th Street 319-447-3590 www.cityofmarion.org

Thomas Park Facility 343 Marion Blvd. 319-447-3580

Marion Municipal Swimming Pool

1855 35th Street 319-377-1654

The Marion Parks and Recreation Department offers many recreation programs for a variety of age groups, including boys baseball, girls softball, soccer, swimming lessons, flag football and basketball. The department also handles all park pavilion reservations and manages the City-owned Oak Shade Cemetery.

Linn County Parks

www.mycountyparks.com

Wanatee Park, located on the southeast side of Marion, is maintained by Linn County Conservation. For pavilion reservations and other needs at this park, call 319-892-6450.

Farmers Markets

Marion is home to two markets. The Marion Farmers Market, coordinated by the Parks and Recreation Department (319-447-3590) is held weekly in Taube Park the first Saturday in May through the last Saturday in September. It is open Saturdays from 8-11 a.m.

The Uptown Marion Market is hosted by the Marion Chamber of Commerce (319-377-6316) and takes place in Uptown Marion. It is held the second Saturday of the month in June, July and August from 8 a.m.-noon.

Pets

The City does not require licenses for cats and dogs, but once they reach six months of age they are required to be vaccinated against rabies and wear a collar with a valid tag.

Well-behaved pets on a six-foot leash are welcome in City parks, as well as City pavilions, playgrounds, ball fields, walking trails and Oak Shade Cemetery. It is the responsibility of pet owners to clean up after their pets.

Pets, other than service animals, are not allowed at the Marion Pool or splash pads. It is at the discretion of event organizers (City or private entity) to determine if pets are welcome at their event.

Located just across Hwy 100 is a great regional resource where dogs can run free and socialize with their canine friends. Check out the K9 Acres Off-Leash Area at Wanatee Park. Learn more at k9cola.org.

Nicotine-Free Parks

In line with Marion's goal to be the healthiest city in the state, the City of Marion has made the commitment to smoke-free, nicotine-free and tobacco-free parks and trails. Smoking or the use of tobacco, nicotine products and vaporizers in City parks or on trails is not allowed.

GOLF

Hunters Ridge Golf Course www.hrgolfcourse.com 2901 Hunters Ridge Road 319-377-3500

Indian Creek Country Club www.indiancreekcountryclub.net 2401 Indian Creek Road 319-377-4489

Gardner Golf Course playcedarrapidsgolf.com 5101 Golf Course Road 319-286-5586

ATTRACTIONS

Granger House Museum 970 10th Street 319-377-6672 www.grangerhousemuseum.org

Marion Heritage Center 590 10th Street 319-447-6376 www.marionheritagecenter.org

VISITOR ORGANIZATIONS

Marion Chamber Welcome Center www.marioncc.org

Uptown Marion a Main Street Iowa District uptownmarion.com

Cedar Rapids Tourism Office www.tourismcedarrapids.com

PARTICIPATE

American Legion Post 298 625 31st Street 319-377-8320 www.ialegion298.org

Friends of the Marion Parks 319-447-3580

Friends of the Marion Library 319-377-3412 www.marionpubliclibrary.org

Marion Arts Council 319-447-3590 www.cityofmarion.org/ artscouncil

Marion Cares 1298 7th Avenue www.marioncares.org

Marion East Cedar Rapids Rotary www.marionrotary.org

Marion Lions Club www.iowalions.org

Marion Metro Kiwanis www.marionmetrokiwanis.org

Trees Forever 80 W. 8th Avenue 319-373-0650 www.treesforever.org

YMCA 3740 Irish Drive 319-377-7361 www.crmetroymca.org

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

EMERGENCY 9 1 1

Poison Control Linn County Sheriff's Office American Red Cross 800-222-1222 319-892-6100 319-393-3500

FIRE DEPARTMENT

100 Irish Drive 319-377-8237

POLICE DEPARTMENT

6315 Highway 151 Non-Emergency—319-377-1511 Records—319-200-7714 Administration—319-200-7727

HOSPITALS

Mercy Medical Center 701 10th Street SE | Cedar Rapids 319-398-6011

UnityPoint - St. Luke's Hospital 1026 A Avenue NE | Cedar Rapids 319-369-7211

URGENT CARE CLINICS

MercyCare Urgent Care 3701 Katz Drive | Marion 319-373-3022

St. Luke's Physicians & Clinics Marion Urgent Care 2996 7th Avenue, Suite B | Marion 319-377-4844

CITY GOVERNMENT SERVICES

PROBLEM	DEPT.	EMAIL	PHONE
Abandoned vehicles on public property	Police		319-377-1511
Animals (dead)	Public Services	public-services @cityofmarion.org	319-377-6367
Animals (live)	Cedar Valley Humane Society		319-362-6288
Building/Plumbing/ Electrical/ Mechanical Code Violations	Building	building@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6330
Cemetery inquiries (Oak Shade)	Parks	dcoberly@cityofmarion.org	319-447-3580
Commercial properties (depends on issue)	Fire Zoning Building	jhansen@cityofmarion.org abartlett@cityofmarion.org building@cityofmarion.org	319-377-8237 319-743-6320 319-743-6330
Dangerous buildings	Building Fire	building@cityofmarion.org jhansen@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6330 319-377-8237
Debris on city property, road, ditches/waterways	Public Services	public-services @cityofmarion.org	319-377-6367
Debris on private property	Building	building@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6330
Detention basin mowing	Public Services	public-services @cityofmarion.org	319-377-6367
Domestic water issues	Water	tsteigerwaldt @cityofmarion.org	319-743-6310
Door-to-Door Sales/ Soliciting (after work hours)	City Clerk Police	cityclerk@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6301 319-377-1511
Downed trees	Public Services	public-services @cityofmarion.org	319-377-6367
Drainage/erosion/ surface water issues	Engineering	mbarkalow @cityofmarion.org	319-743-6340

PROBLEM	DEPT.	EMAIL	PHONE
Fire pits	Fire	jhansen@cityofmarion.org	319-377-8237
Garbage not picked up or to order special pick-up	Public Services	public-services @cityofmarion.org	319-377-6367
Home occupations	Zoning	abartlett@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6320
Illegal burning	Fire	jhansen@cityofmarion.org	319-377-8237
Intersection visibility	Zoning	abartlett@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6320
Junk vehicles on public and private property	Police		319-377-1511
Mud in street – sewer, street, public improvement const.	Engineering	scooper@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6340
Mud in street - building construction	Building	building@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6330
Noise or dogs barking	Police		319-377-1511
Occupant welfare check	Police		319-377-1511
Private drives and parking lots (residential and commercial)	Zoning	abartlett@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6320
Private housing— building safety issues	Housing/ Building	building@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6330
Property Maintenance	Building	building@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6330
Public sidewalks and driveway approaches	Engineering/ Zoning	mbarkalow @cityofmarion.org	319-743-6340 319-743-6330
Rental housing— building safety issues	Housing	building@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6330
Right-of-way mowing	Parks	dcoberly@cityofmarion.org	319-447-3580

PROBLEM	DEPT.	EMAIL	PHONE
Sidewalk snow shoveling	Parks	dcoberly@cityofmarion.org	319-447-3580
Snow shoveled, blown or pushed into street	Public Services	public-services @cityofmarion.org	319-377-6367
Street trees—trees in the city right-of-way	Parks	mcimprich@cityofmarion.org	319-447-3580
Temporary Signs	Zoning	abartlett@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6320
Tree complaints- private property (over streets and walks)	Parks	mcimprich@cityofmarion.org	319-447-3580
Tree permits for planting trees in city right-of-way	Parks	mcimprich@cityofmarion.org	319-447-3580
Weeds/tall grass	Parks	dcoberly@cityofmarion.org	319-447-3580
Miscellaneous nuisances (things not listed above)	Building	building@cityofmarion.org	319-743-6330

NOTE: Complaints dealing with air, odor or health codes should be referred to Linn County Health Department – 319-892-6000

Boards and Commissions

Do you want to provide input on city policies, and help shape both our city and its government? Apply to be one of 100+ volunteers that serve on Marion boards or commissions. A complete listing of the opportunities and an application form can be found at www.cityofmarion.org/boards-commissions.

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Annual Community Festivals & Events

Marion Farmers Market Saturdays | May-September Taube Park 8-11 a.m.

Marion Community Kite Festival 3rd Saturday | May Lowe Park Baseball Diamonds

Marion Arts Festival 3rd Saturday | May City Square Park

Pop-Up Acts in the Artway Most Fridays | June-August Uptown Artway

Sunrise Yoga Saturdays | June-August Lowe Park 7:30 a.m.

Marion by Moonlight Thursdays | June Lowe Park 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Uptown Marion Market 2nd Saturday | June, July, August Uptown Marion 8 a.m.-noon

Community Band Concerts Select Tuesdays | June Location TBD 7 p.m.

Music Under the Moon &
Picnic on the Prairie Concerts
Select Saturdays | June, July, August
Klopfenstein Amphitheater

Dates/times subject to change.

Marion Big Band Concerts Thursdays | July City Square Park 7 p.m.

Fireworks & Fireflies July 3 | 6 p.m. Lowe Park

Eat, Drink & Be Marion Fundraiser July Uptown Marion

National Night Out First Tuesday | August Thomas Park 5-7 p.m.

Uptown Getdown Thursdays | August *Uptown Marion* 6-9 p.m.

Fall Marion Market Last Saturday | September Uptown Marion

Chocolate Walk
First Friday | October
Uptown Marion

Halloween Trick or Treat | Oct. 31 Dusk, obey porch lights

Small Business Saturday Saturday | After Thanksgiving Uptown Marion

Christmas in the Park & Peppermint Walk First Friday | December Uptown Marion

