



## **Halloween Safety Tips October 1, 2020**

Due to the spread of Covid-19, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) is recommending against traditional door-to-door trick-or-treating and other high-risk activities this Halloween season. According to the CDC, avoid these higher risk activities to help prevent the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19:

- Participating in traditional trick-or-treating where treats are handed to children who go door-to-door.
- Having trunk-or-treat where treats are handed out from trunks of cars lined up in large parking lots.
- Attending crowded costume parties held indoors.
- Going to an indoor haunted house where people may be crowded together and screaming.
- Going on hayrides or tractor rides with people who are not in your household.
- Using alcohol or drugs, which can cloud judgement and increase risky behaviors.
- Traveling to a rural fall festival that is not in your community if you live in an area with community spread of COVID-19

In addition, the City of Corning will not be holding the Great Pumpkin Hunt and Halloween activities in the ice rink due to the risk of Covid-19. Instead the City will be holding a Drive Halloween Lane event for City residents in Denison Park. More details will be release at a later date when the event planning is finalized, but the event will allow City residents to drive through Denison Park and view Halloween displays.

“With no door-to-door trick-or-treating, we still want the kids to have a Halloween experience this year while staying safe. The City is doing its part to make it happen with this new activity.” – Mayor Bill Boland

“We are pleased to be able to offer a safe alternative to traditional trick-or-treating for City residents, by having drive-through Halloween displays in Denison Park. We will release more information, including how City residents can register for this free event when we complete our planning.– Mark L Ryckman, City Manager

“During this ongoing pandemic, we want to ensure people in the community stay safe. Please follow the CDC’s Halloween guidelines.” - Chief Jeff Spaulding