

City of Rocky Ford  
Proclamation  
Hospice and Palliative Care Month 2025

WHEREAS, Arkansas Valley Hospice, INC. is dedicated to providing compassionate, patient-centered care that supports the mind, body, and spirit while educating the community about end-of-life care;

WHEREAS, hospice and palliative care honor the dignity of every individual, ensuring comfort, respect, and support for patients and their families;

WHEREAS, Arkansas Valley Hospice, INC. serves Rocky Ford and surrounding communities through a devoted team of professionals and volunteers who address physical, emotional, and spiritual needs;

WHEREAS, this care is made possible through community generosity, allowing services to be provided locally and without charge;

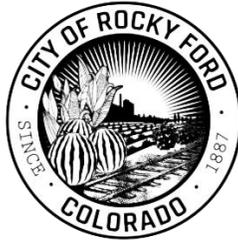
NOW, THEREFORE, I \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby proclaim November 2025 as Hospice and Palliative Care Month in Rocky Ford, Colorado, and encourage all citizens to learn more about hospice and the vital comfort, compassion, and hope it provides.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Rocky Ford to be affixed this day, 10 of November 2025.

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Mayor, City of Rocky Ford





**PROCLAMATION**  
**Veterans Day – November 11, 2025**

**WHEREAS**, our veterans represent the very best of America: in times of conflict and in times of calm they answered the call to protect our Constitution, uphold our values, and safeguard our liberties; and

**WHEREAS**, their service and sacrifice—in battle and at home—are immeasurable, and our debt to every single one of them is great; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of Rocky Ford deeply appreciate the selfless service, commitment, and patriotism of our veterans—those who stood in harm’s way so that freedom might endure; and

**WHEREAS**, we also recognize the families, caregivers, and loved ones of our veterans, whose support and sacrifice make possible the service of our brave men and women; and

**WHEREAS**, we encourage all residents, civic organizations, schools, businesses, faith-based institutions, and families to observe this day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, expressions of gratitude, and reflection on the freedoms and responsibilities that come with citizenship; and

**WHEREAS**, we call upon all citizens to display the flag of the United States, attend or support local observances, and pay tribute to our veterans with thoughtful appreciation and respect;

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE**, The City of Rocky Ford, Colorado, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2025, as Veterans Day in the City of Rocky Ford. I invite all citizens to join in remembrance and gratitude, to honor our veterans with ceremonies, and to give thanks for the freedoms we enjoy because of their sacrifices.

Signed this 10th day of November 2025.

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Nanette Mosby, Mayor Pro Tem

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Nicole Roberts, Councilmember

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Johnny McMurray, Councilmember

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Nic Martinez, Councilmember

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Robert Barron, Councilmember

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Thomas Mullins, Councilmember

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Duane Gurule, Mayor

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Michelle Grasmick, City Clerk



## ***City Manager's Report***

**To: Mayor Gurulé and City Council Members**

**From: Stacey Milenski**

**Date: November 10, 2025**

### **PROPERTIES:**

- Liberty School:
- Brewer Construction Site:
- 1149 Railroad Update:
- 400 S Main Update:

### **NEW/OLD BUSINESS/UPCOMING:**

- 10/30-Attended the 911 Authority Board meeting
- 10/31-Trunk or Treat Events around Rocky Ford
- 11/1-Attended the Grand Opening of Hansen's Haberdashery
- 11/1- Day of the Dead/Dia De Los Muertos
- 11/8-11/9-36<sup>th</sup> Annual Balloon Festival
- 11/10-Meeting with Elegant Concrete to start on the east side of Main Street from Chestnut to the Fairgrounds and on the west side from Catalpa to the fairgrounds
  - There is a process to obtain permits from CDOT to work along Elm and Swink Avenues
  - Engineering documents will be required
  - More costs associated with the project than expected
  - Moving on to the other areas identified in the Repair Plan
- 11/11-Veteran's Day
- 11/18-Meeting with the Otero County Commissioners and Economic Development to discuss the traffic study on US Hwy 50 and 14<sup>th</sup> Street done by Circle K
- 11/24-Christmas decorations are scheduled to go up in coordination with Black Hills Energy
- Street Signs: Public Works has been replacing signs

**ROCKY FORD MUSEUM**

**CURATOR'S REPORT**

***for the month of October 2025***

We had 74 visitors come to the museum for the month of October.

We scheduled two tours this month and they seemed very pleased with our museum.

On Friday the 24<sup>th</sup>, History Colorado Associates from Denver visited us with 27 members in their group. They had many questions about our carriage house and the artifacts that can be found within that building, the Watermelon Days and more specifically, the Rocky Ford Cantaloupe.

And then on the 29<sup>th</sup>, the Modern Woodsman Organization from La Junta toured the museum with 5 of their members. Most of them has never been in our museum and was pleasantly surprised of the artifacts that we have on our shelves.

We are currently planning another NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM presentation in November.

Mr. Warren McClure and Mark Korbitz, both professors at Otero College are planning a talk about pre-historic identification in southeast Colorado. Currently planned to happen November 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm.

Rob Marshall-Curator

Rocky Ford Museum