

§ 96.08 CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS.

(A) *Contractor will provide burial services.* All burial services will be provided by the Contractor approved by the City Commission. The Contractor will open all graves, providing grave set up which includes tent, lowering device, chairs and grass.

(B) *Locating, measuring and marking the grave.* The City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant will locate, measure and mark the grave prior to interment.

(C) *Supervision of improvements.* All improvements of cemetery lots will be subject to the supervision of the City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant.

(D) *Graves - dimensions.* All graves will be dug to the specifications established by industry standards.

(E) *Vaults.* The term VAULT for the purpose of this item is a steel or concrete outer container or grave liner in which the casket is placed. All burials will be made using vaults to shield against the collapse of the casket. Burials of the ashes following cremation will not require a vault.

(F) *Cremains requirements.* Non-standard burials must have a monument or ground level marker. Four cremains will be allowed per plot; however, each must have a marker or monument.

(G) *Monuments allowed.* All types of monuments or group markers are allowed that are reasonable. The City Clerk/Treasurer will make the decision on acceptance of all monuments. Non-standard monuments should be brought to the attention of the City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant for approval, i.e., all monument companies in the general area will be contacted and advised of this rule. If the party purchasing the monument refuses the City Clerk/Treasurer's decision that party will have the right to a full review of the decision by the City Commission.

(H) *Monument size.* No monuments will be constructed that are wider than the cemetery plot.

(I) *Monument placement.* All monuments must be placed in a reasonable location on each burial plot. The City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant will make the decision on the location of a monument within the constraints of the burial plot. If the party purchasing the monument refuses the City Clerk/Treasurer's decision that party will have the right to a full review of the decision by the City Commission.

(J) *Foundations for monuments.* All monuments will be erected under the supervision of the City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant and will meet or exceed industry standards. Permits to erect a monument should be requested by vendors through the City Clerk/Treasurer, a fee of \$25 will be charged for each foundation that is located by the City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant. City approved contractors will dig and construct proper foundations based on the

information furnished in the permit request. The fee for the foundation will be paid by the monument company to the city approved contractor(s).

(K) *Workmen under direction of City Clerk/Treasurer.* All workmen and monument erectors will be subject to and under the direction of the City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant.

(L) *Seasonal construction work.* The city reserves the right to stop all construction and erection of monuments and gravestones between the first day of November and the first day of April or in weather conditions which could lend harm to the cemetery grounds.

(M) *Corner posts and other permanent landmarks.* All corner posts or other permanent landmarks of lots must be placed by the owner with the approval of the City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant. No walls or wooden fences shall be erected as enclosures of lots that will prohibit maintenance.

(N) *No trees and shrubs are to be planted without approval (see § 96.09).* No trees, shrubs or permanent flowers are to be planted on the gravesite. The City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant will have all trees and shrubs or permanent flowers removed that have been planted without specific permission.

(O) *Benches or other non-standard structures.* Benches or other non-standard structures have always been restricted. Approval for placement of such structures must have approval of the City Clerk/Treasurer. Under no circumstances will benches or other non-standard structures be allowed in the cemetery unless they are constructed of granite or marble. If the party purchasing the benches or other non-standard structures refuses the City Clerk/Treasurer's decision that party will have the right to a full review of the decision by the City Commission.

(P) *Removal of benches or other permanent structures.* The City Clerk/Treasurer or his or her assistant will have the authority to remove all benches or other permanent structures not pertinent to the burial plot. All structures to be removed will be given 90 days' notice before they are to be removed. The benches or other structures removed will be placed in the southeast corner of the cemetery so the owner can pick them up. If the party whose benches or other structures have been removed refuses the City Clerk/Treasurer's decision that party will have the right to a full review of the decision by the City Commission.

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