

SMITHS GROVE CITY COMMISSION

ORDINANCE NUMBER 13-004 630.00

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**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING SMITHS GROVE CEMETERY FROM
DUSK TO DAWN AND RESTRICTING PARKING VEHICLES ON
CEMETERY GROUNDS.**

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WHEREAS, cemeteries at night are vulnerable to vandalism and nefarious activities; and

WHEREAS, the city of Smiths Grove has restricted visitation hours at the Smiths Grove cemetery to daylight hours since 2007; and

WHEREAS, there are instances where vehicles are parked in the cemetery for excessive lengths of time;

NOW; THEREFORE, BE IT ORDINANED by the City of Smiths Grove that:

Ordinance No. 07-01 630.00 enacted on October 22, 2007, restricting Cemetery hours from dawn to dusk, is hereby repealed in its entirety effective June 24, 2013.

SECTION 1: The cemetery will be open for the public to enter the cemetery grounds from dawn to dusk.

SECTION 2: The cemetery and facilities shall be closed from dusk to dawn, with the exception of funerals, graveside services, memorials, activities authorized by the City officials and dedications lasting beyond dusk or before dawn. Violators of this restriction will be subject to a fine as set out in PENALTY paragraph below.

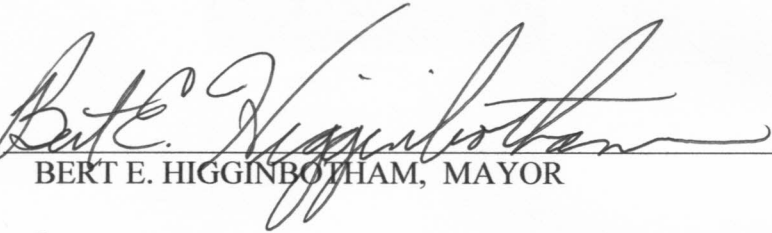
SECTION 3: With the exception of maintenance or service functions no vehicles may be parked and left unattended in the cemetery. Unauthorized and unattended vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense and the owner will be fined as set out in PENALTY paragraph below.

PENALTY: Any person who violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine for the first offense, of not more than one hundred (\$ 100.00) dollars, and for the second and subsequent offenses shall be subject to a fine of no more than \$500.00 per offense.

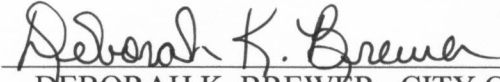
Passed on First Reading by roll call vote this 27th day of May, 2013.

Passed on Second Reading by roll call vote and adopted this 24th day of June, 2013.

APPROVED:


BERT E. HIGGINBOTHAM, MAYOR

ATTEST:


DEBORAH K. BREWER, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

