

Chapter 20
CEMETERIES

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ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL.

Section 20.1 In General.

The city clerk or other designated agent of the Mayor and Council, with the leave and approval of the Mayor and Council, shall promulgate and keep on file in the office of the city clerk rules and regulations for the administration of the cemeteries in the city, which rules and regulations may be added to or amended from time to time with leave and approval of the Mayor and Council, and which rules and regulations shall apply to all persons engaged in the business of funeral directors, florists, monument sales and installation, grave preparation, and any and all other such activities related to burial and maintenance of burial sites in such cemeteries, and which rules shall have the force of law and a violation of which shall be punishable as provided in Section 1-7.

Section 20.2 Regulations.

- a. No cemetery lot may be used for any purpose other than the burial of human remains.
- b. The schedule of prices for lots in city owned cemeteries and the charge for recording the deed of such lot shall be set by resolution of the City Council.
- c. No person shall be buried in any cemetery operated by the City unless and until the price for the lot in which such person is to be interred has been paid.
- d. No digging of graves, burials, installation of monuments, or exhumation of bodies shall be done in any city cemetery without first obtaining a permit and approval of the city clerk.
- e. No coping shall be placed around any lot.
- f. No trees, bushes, or shrubs shall be planted on or around any lot.

Section 20.3 Vaults.

- a. There shall be no burial of human remains in any city cemetery without the use of a vault.
- b. No vault shall be buried in any city cemetery without being leveled and sealed or weatherproofed against unreasonable moisture penetration.

Section 20.4 Monuments.

- a. There shall no burial of any human remains in any city cemetery without placement at the grave site of a cement slab, head stone, or metal marker bearing the name, year of birth, and the year of death of the deceased.

b. No permanent monument or slab shall be erected on any lot in any city cemetery without cement foundations.

Section 20.5 **Non-conveyance to Third Party.**

No cemetery lot shall be conveyed to any third party. Should the owner of any lot wish to sell the lot, it shall be transferred back to the City at a cost of fifty percent of the prevailing rate for the sale of cemetery lots by the City.

Section 20.6 **Speed Limit and Use of Cemetery.**

Vehicles shall be driven only upon the road ways within the cemetery at a rate of speed not in excess of 15 miles per hour. No vehicle shall enter the cemetery except for the purpose of attending funerals or visiting graves, or maintenance of the cemetery.

Section 20.7 **Lots Subject to Rules and Regulations of the City.**

All lots within the City cemetery and within the extension of the cemetery at anytime here and after made shall be subject to and regulated and controlled by the provisions of this ordinance or any future ordinances and any rules adopted by the City.

Sections 20.8 – 20.10 **Reserved.**