

**.ORDINANCE No. 153**

**AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALE PRICE OF LOTS IN THE COLOME CEMETERY, THE FEE FOR PERPETUAL CARE, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT THEREOF, THE COST OF GRAVE OPENING AND CLOSING, AND REQUIRING OF GRAVE LINERS OR VAULTS, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 50, AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SALE PRICE OF LOTS IN THE COLOME CEMETERY, AND THE FEE AND METHOD OF PAYMENT FOR THE CARE, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT THEREOF”**

Section 1. Unless otherwise stated herein, the following words as used in this Ordinance shall have the following meanings, to-wit:

Plot shall mean a subdivision of a Lot and shall constitute one burial space.

Lot shall mean a unit of five Plots.

Section 2. Plots in the Colome Cemetery shall be sold to the public at a cost of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) per plot.

Section 3. At the time of purchase of said plots, there shall be assessed a Perpetual Care charge in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each plot. The money so collected under this Section 3 shall be placed in a permanent interest-bearing fund and only the interest shall be used for the care, maintenance and upkeep of such plot.

Section 4. The City of Colome shall provide for the general maintenance of each gravesite within the Colome Cemetery. Permanent grave markers, memorials, headstones and/or footstones may be placed on each gravesite by qualified monument companies. Maintenance of those markers, etc., shall be the responsibility of surviving family members. If maintenance is required, as determined by City authorities, the City shall have the right to hire monument companies or use City personnel to restore such markers, etc. to an upright or ground level position, whichever is necessary as determined by the original placement of the marker. In the event that the monument, marker, headstone or footstone is damaged or destroyed, in the process of repositioning, the City and its employees shall not be held liable. . Every reasonable effort shall be taken to provide proper and careful restoration of the maker to its original position.

Vases which are significantly damaged or destroyed by City crews will be replaced by the City at the City’s expense. Replacement of vases damaged or destroyed by natural wear or elements or by the act of vandals shall be the responsibility of family members.

Flowers, temporary memorials, or decorations may be placed on the gravesite for one week prior to Memorial Day and may remain on the gravesite for one week following Memorial Day. The City will not assume responsibility for, or salvage of, any decorative items so placed.

There shall be no planting of trees, shrubs or other permanent plantings within the City Cemetery except by written permission of the Council.

Flowers, plants or decorations may be placed at any time, provided they are placed in vases or receptacles, which are an integral part of the headstone, memorial, marker or footstone, and do not inhibit the general maintenance of the cemetery.

The fee for a standard burial grave opening and closing, including infants and cremations, shall be Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) Monday through Friday, and \$300.00 on Saturday, Sunday and legal holidays.

The fee for exhuming any remains from the Colome Cemetery shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for a casket within a vault, and Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) for a casket without a vault.

All caskets buried in the Colome Cemetery must be enclosed in a vault or liner made of concrete, steel or equally hard material excluding fiberglass.

Section 5. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect twenty days from its passage, approval and publication.

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Todd Hauf, Mayor

Attest:

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Carol Moyer, Finance Officer

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