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## DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

TO: James R. O'Connor, City Manager  
DEPT: City Manager

FROM: Monte K. Falls, PE, Director  
DEPT: Public Works *MK FALLS 5/23*

DATE: May 23, 2016

RE: **Crestlawn Cemetery Resolution Revisions**

### **Background:**

At the September 1, 2015 City Council meeting, Council approved Resolution 2015-31 to reflect changes in the Cemetery rates. After further consideration about the number of sales of columbarium niches we again looked at the rate structure and recommend lowering the prices of both the upper and lower tier niches in an effort to stimulate sales.

Further, we added another purchase option within the new Section K to include single grave lots.

The recommended pricing structure is shown in the attached Resolution.

### **Funding:**

None Required

### **Recommendation:**

- Place this resolution on the June 7, 2015 agenda of the City Council;
- Approve the resolution.

### **Analysis:**

**Strengths:** The construction cost of the columbarium will be covered by the sales from one of the 8 structures.

**Weaknesses:** Total revenue will be reduced for the same volume of sales.

**Opportunities:** Lowering the columbarium prices may increase the sale of the niches.

**Threats:** None

Attachments

MKF/ntn

RESOLUTION NO. 2016 - \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VERO BEACH, FLORIDA, REPEALING RESOLUTION 2015-31; ESTABLISHING PRICES AND FEES FOR CRESTLAWN CEMETERY; ESTABLISHING HOURS OF OPERATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the City of Vero Beach owns, operates, and maintains the municipal cemetery know as Crestlawn Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously adopted Resolution 2015-31 establishing burial lot and columbarium prices and other fees for the cemetery as well as operating hours; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the residents of the City of Vero Beach to modify burial lot and columbarium prices,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VERO BEACH, FLORIDA, THAT:**

**Section 1. Repeal of Resolution 2013-40.**

Resolution 2015-31 is hereby repealed and replaced in its entirety by this Resolution.

**Section 2. Lot and columbarium prices.**

The following prices are hereby established for Crestlawn Cemetery:

**(a) Single grave lots (in all cemetery Sections except K).**

City residents and City property owners:	\$1,200.00
All other purchasers:	\$2,400.00

**(b) Family lots in Cemetery Sections A, B, C, D, and E.**

City residents and City property owners:	\$40.00 per square foot
All other purchasers:	\$80.00 per square foot

(c) **Cremation lots (in all Sections except J).**

City residents and City property owners: \$ 600.00  
All other purchasers: \$1,200.00

(d) **Cremation lots at Columbarium (Section J).**

City residents and City property owners: \$ 900.00  
All other purchasers: \$1,800.00

(e) **Single grave lots in Section K, West ½ of Block 3 and East ½ of Block 4.**

City residents and City property owners: \$1,320.00  
All other purchasers: \$2,640.00

(f) **Full lot (2 spaces) in Section K, West ½ of Block 3 and East ½ of Block 4 (flat marker only).**

City residents and City property owners: \$2,640.00  
All other purchasers: \$5,280.00

(g) **Full lot (2 spaces) in Section K, East ½ of Block 3 and West ½ of Block 4 (small upright marker).**

City residents and City property owners: \$2,880.00  
All other purchasers: \$5,760.00

(e) (h) **Columbarium niches (each single niche) (Section J).**

Upper Four Rows:  
City residents and City property owners: ~~\$1,500.00~~ \$1,200.00  
All other purchasers: ~~\$3,500.00~~ \$2,400.00

Lower Two Rows:  
City residents and City property owners: ~~\$1,000.00~~ \$ 800.00  
All other purchasers: ~~\$2,500.00~~ \$1,600.00

For purposes of this Resolution, the terms “city resident” and “city property owner” shall have the meanings set forth in Chapter 26, Cemetery, of the Code of the City of Vero Beach.

**Section 3. Fees for cemetery services.**

**(a) Opening/Closing Single Lot Space (each).**

Weekdays 7:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.	\$200.00
Weekdays after 2:00 P.M.	\$300.00
Weekends and Holidays	\$300.00

**(b) Interment, Removal, or Relocation of Cremains (each).**

Weekdays 7:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.	\$250.00
Weekdays after 2:00 P.M.	\$350.00
Weekends and Holidays	\$350.00

**(c) Columbarium Interment, Removal or Relocation (each).**

Weekdays 7:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.	\$200.00
Weekdays after 2:00 P.M.	\$300.00
Weekends and Holidays	\$300.00

**(d) Other fees.** In addition to the foregoing prices and fees, the City Public Works Director is hereby authorized to establish charges and fees for any other requested services based on the City's prevailing costs for labor, materials, overhead, and administration.

**Section 4. Hours of operation.**

Crestlawn Cemetery shall be open to the public between the hours of 7:30 A.M and 7:30 P.M. daily, including weekends and holidays. The city manager shall have authority to modify such hours or order the cemetery closed during any emergency or disaster.

**Section 5. Conflict and severability.**

The provisions of this Resolution shall control over those provisions of previously adopted resolutions in conflict herewith. If any provision of this Resolution is held to be invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.

**Section 6. Effective Date.**

This Resolution and the prices and fees established herein shall become effective upon final adoption by the City Council.

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This Resolution was read for the first time on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2016, and was advertised on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2016, for a public hearing to be held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2016, at the conclusion of which hearing it was moved for adoption by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, and adopted by the following vote:

Mayor Jay Kramer	_____
Vice-Mayor Ramdolph B. Old	_____
Councilmember Pilar E. Turner	_____
Councilmember Richard G. Winger	_____
Councilmember Harry Howle, III	_____

ATTEST:

CITY OF VERO BEACH, FLORIDA

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Tammy P. Vock  
City Clerk

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Jay Kramer  
Mayor

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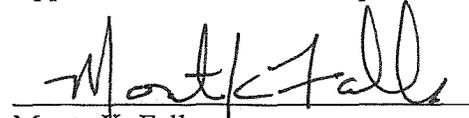
Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne R. Coment  
City Attorney

Approved as conforming to municipal policy:

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James R. O' Connor  
City Manager

Approved as to technical requirements:

  
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Monte K. Falls  
Director, Public Works