

A BILL TO CREATE AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 6-1 OF THE CENTRALIA CITY CODE CONCERNING THE COST OF INTERMENT PERMITS.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6-1 of the Centralia City Code shall be changed, altered and amended to read as follows:

Section 6-1. INTERMENT PERMIT REQUIRED; CONTENTS; FILING; FEE

No dead body or the cremated remains of a dead body shall be interred in the Centralia Cemetery without a permit issued by the Cemetery Sexton of the City. Unless otherwise specified in this Chapter of the Centralia City Code, any reference to "dead body" in this Chapter shall include only human remains or the cremated remains of a dead human body. No other remains, including animal remains or pet remains shall be allowed to be buried or otherwise interred in the Centralia Cemetery. No more than one (1) dead body, or no more than ~~six (6)~~ **four (4)** cremated remains of dead bodies, or no more than one (1) dead body and ~~five (5)~~ **four (4)** cremated remains of dead bodies shall be buried in any one (1) burial space; except that two (2) dead bodies may be buried in one (1) burial space if at least one (1) of the dead bodies is of an infant or small child so as to allow both bodies to be buried in the same burial space without placing one above the other, or if one (1) of the dead bodies is of an infant which is buried with and at the same time as its mother. Each permit issued by the Cemetery Sexton shall include thereon the date and time of issue, the person paying the fee for the permit, the amount of the interment permit fee, the name of the deceased person to be interred in the burial space, the last address of the deceased person, the sex and nationality of the deceased person to be buried, the date of death, the exact location of the burial space, the date and time of burial, whether the permit is for burial of a dead body or the cremated remains of a dead body, whether a dead body is presently buried in the burial space, the number of the remains of cremated bodies presently buried in the burial space, the name of the funeral director to conduct and supervise the burial, the age of the deceased person, and whether or not a vault will be used in the burial. Such permit shall be in duplicate. The original shall be given to the person paying the fee for the permit, and the copy shall be permanently filed, indexed alphabetically in the files of the City, and the permit shall be printed on paper of such size as is convenient for filing. The fee for the interment permit shall be ~~three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00)~~ **four hundred fifty dollars (\$450)** for a burial space to hold cremated remains, four hundred dollars (~~\$400.00~~) for a burial space where a grave of less than forty-eight (48) inches in length is dug to hold the dead body of an infant, ~~seven hundred dollars (\$700.00)~~ **nine hundred dollars (\$900)** for the digging of a grave designated as "oversized" by the Cemetery Sexton, ~~six hundred fifty dollars (\$650.00)~~ **eight hundred dollars (\$800)** for the digging of any other grave in a burial space, an additional ~~twenty five dollars (\$25.00)~~ **fifty dollars (\$50)** for services which require burial on a Saturday, and an additional ~~fifty dollars (\$50.00)~~ **one hundred (\$100)** for services which require burial on a Sunday, **all major holidays will be an additional one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150)** which money shall be deposited by the Cemetery Sexton in the Cemetery Operating Fund referred to in Section 6-27. The Cemetery Sexton shall, in addition to the permanent filing of the permits, place upon the permanent map of the Centralia Cemetery the name of the deceased person interred in each burial space in the Centralia Cemetery.

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ECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after April 1, 2024.

Read two times by title only and **PASSED** by the Board of Aldermen and **APPROVED** by the Mayor this the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2024.

Alderman Wilkins: Yes	Alderman Deckerd: Yes
Alderman Hudson: Yes	Alderman Rodgers: Yes
Alderwoman Cox: Yes	Aldermen Magley: Yes

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Chris Cox, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Marilyn Dick, City Clerk