

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 210.770 CEMETERY RULES OF THE STE. GENEVIEVE CODE OF ORDINANCES AS SET FORTH BELOW:

WHEREAS, the City of Ste. Genevieve has a need to amend several sections of the Cemetery Ordinance regarding cremation and standard burials; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen believe it to be in best interest of the City to approve these amendments.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 210.770 **1. Burial** is deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

1. Burial

- a. Only human remains may be interred in the cemetery.
- b. Burial of human remains must be in a concrete vault or equivalent.
- c. One standard grave (lot) shall consist of the following options: one standard burial, two cremated burials or one standard burial and one cremated burial.
- d. The grave for the burial of a single adult on a lot must be dug at least four and one half (4.5) feet deep. The cremated remains of a second individual may be buried above the original vault according to the rules for a cremated remains burial.
- e. The grave for a child must be dug at least three (3) feet deep.
- f. Cremated remains are to be placed in a City approved container and if buried the grave must be dug at least three (3) feet deep. Scattering of ashes in the cemetery is prohibited.
- g. In all interments, the top of the vault or container shall be at least twelve (12) inches from the surface of the ground.
- h. At the time of burial of a second person on a single lot, the party requesting the second burial must pay a ground disturbance fee at the rate published by the City prior to the interment.
- i. Disinterment for any reason including the burial of a second person's remains on a single lot according to the preceding burial rules without written permission from the City Clerk of the City of Ste. Genevieve is prohibited.
- j. Pauper Burial: If the estate of a person to be buried in the City Cemetery is unable to pay for the grave space and burial and shall satisfy the Mayor or City Administrator that the person is in fact unable to pay the same, the Mayor or City Administrator shall issue and order in writing, authorizing the burial of said corpse in the Cemetery at a place to be designated by the City Clerk. The City shall be the sole determiner regarding the method of burial.

Section 2. Section 201.770 **2. Monuments** subsection a. is deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

- a. Headstone monuments must be made of a permanent material and be placed by a professional monument company and cremation monuments purchased from a professional monument company are allowed. Headstone monuments may be flat, angled or upright. The company installing the monument must obtain approval from the City Clerk for the monument design and location prior to placing the monument.

Section 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Section 4. **REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

DATE OF FIRST READING: April 25, 2024

DATE OF SECOND READING: May 9, 2024

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 9th DAY OF May, 2024 BY A ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE STE. GENEVIEVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN AS FOLLOWS:

	VOTE
ALDERMAN PATRICK FAHEY	Aye
ALDERMAN AMIE DOBBS	Aye
ALDERMAN ERIC BENNETT	Aye
ALDERMAN BOB DONOVAN	Aye
ALDERMAN JEFF EYDMANN	Aye
ALDERMAN JOE STEIGER	Aye
ALDERMAN JOE PRINCE	Absent
ALDERMAN MIKE RANEY	Aye

7 **AYES** 0 **NAYS** 1 **ABSENT**

Approved as to form:

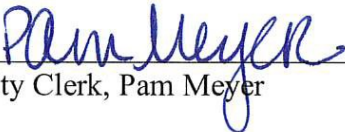


Mayor, Brian Keim



City Attorney, Mark Bishop

Attest:
(seal)



City Clerk, Pam Meyer

Reviewed by:



City Administrator, Happy Welch