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From: The City Manager

Subject: Revision to Cemetery Rates and Charges

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that the revision to the Cemetery Rules and Regulations Fixing Schedule of Rates and Charges for the Operation and Use of Municipal Cemeteries be approved.

Justification:

The attached and revised copy of Cemeteries Series Bulletin No. 9-40/9-41 shows the current and proposed new rates. The proposed changes are highlighted on the attached Bulletin and affect the following:

- Grave prices for lots permitting upright markers and monuments (increase 6%).
- Grave prices for lots permitting flush markers:
 - Single Grave (increase 8%)
 - Child Grave (increase 8%)
 - Infant Grave (increase 12.5%)
 - Cremains Grave (increase 17%)
- Grave opening and closing prices:
 - Adult, indigent and veteran (increase 14%)
 - Child w/o vault (increase 11%)
 - Child w/ vault (increase 8%)
 - Vault setting only (increase 25%)
- Disinterment w/ Reinterment at a City of Saginaw Cemetery:
 - Adult (increase 17%)
 - Child (increase 16%)
 - Infant (increase 25%)
 - Cremains (increase 17%)
- Disinterment Only – for removal to another Cemetery:
 - Adult (increase 25%)
 - Child (increase 18%)
 - Infant (increase 13%)

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- Cremains (increase (20%))
- Marker and Monument Foundation Installation Charges:
 - Marker and Monument Installation (increase 10%)
 - Minimum Charge (2'X1' or less) (increase 10%)
- Marker and Monument Resetting Minimum Charge:
 - Flush Marker (increase 20%)
 - Upright Marker (increase 13%)
 - Monument (increase 15%)
- Marker and Monument Cleaning Charges:
 - Single Flush Granite (increase 12.5%)
 - Double Upright Granite (increase 17%)

It is recommended that the proposed revisions in the Rules and Regulations Fixing Schedules of Rates and Charges for the Operation and Use of Municipal Cemeteries, to become effective October 6, 2008, be approved.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.