

RESOLUTION NO. 2013 - 06

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OKANOGAN, PURSUANT TO OKANOGAN MUNICIPAL CODE 8.08.040 REGARDING REGULATION OF FLOWER DISPLAYS AND MEMORIALS AT THE OKANOGAN CITY CEMETERY.

WHEREAS, Section 8.08.040 of the Okanogan Municipal Code provides for general management of the City cemetery by the Okanogan City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Resolution 99-3 is hereby repealed.

Section 2. Consistent with the terms and provisions of Okanogan Municipal Code 8.08.040 the following regulations shall be and are hereby imposed regarding the display of flowers and other memorials at the Okanogan City Cemetery:

A. Funeral Service. Flowers may be displayed on the grave site for five (5) days following a funeral service. After five (5) days, Public Works will remove and discard the displays.

B. Fresh Flowers. Cut flowers may be displayed at any time provided they are placed in approved vases. Approved vases are those which are set in the concrete foundation surrounding the grave marker or set in separate concrete blocks for markers without foundation concrete. The approved vases are available from the City or funeral home. In all cases the vase must be flush with the ground when not in use. Wilted flowers will be removed and the vases returned to the flush position.

C. Holidays. Flowers and displays may be placed on all markers for a seven (7) day period during the following occasions:

Veteran's Day
Memorial Day
Easter
Mother's Day
Father's Day

On the seventh day Public Works will remove the flowers and displays. These will not be restored. The seven days start two (2) days before the holiday and run four (4) days after, for a total of seven (7) days **inclusive of the holiday.**

D. Artificial Flowers. Artificial flowers are not allowed if they have wire supports or wire stems or petals. The wire may become a dangerous projectile if hit by a mower.

E. Glass Containers. Glass jars and vases are not allowed because they are easily broken and are dangerous to visitors and City public works employees. Glass containers will be removed immediately.

F. Trees and Shrubs. If you wish to plant a tree or shrub as a memorial please contact the Director of Public Works. The City accepts donations for trees but they must be planted where they will not interfere with the operation of the cemetery or grave sites.

G. Damage. The City shall not be responsible for damages caused by vandals at the cemetery.

H. Theft. The City shall not be responsible for displays or items removed by thieves.

Section 3. These regulations shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after adoption of this resolution by the City Council of Okanogan and shall remain in full force and effect until repealed or modified by the City Council of the City of Okanogan.

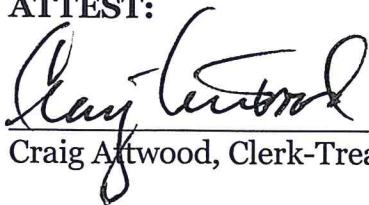
**PASSED BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
OKANOGAN CITY COUNCIL, this 16th day of
July 2013, and SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION
OF ITS PASSAGE THIS 16th day of
July, 2013.**

APPROVED:



Michael Blake, Mayor

ATTEST:



Craig Aftwood, Clerk-Treasurer