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2 BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

3 FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

4 ORDINANCE NO. 673

5 An Ordinance in the matter of increasing cemetery rates for county
6 cemeteries, amending Multnomah County Code 5.10.250; and declaring an
7 emergency.

8 Multnomah County ordains as follows:

9 Section I. Findings

- 10 (A) The Board of County Commissioners has traditionally set fees for
11 Cemetery services. As these services are provided by a contractor
12 whose rates are adjusted annually, it is no longer efficient to set
13 these fees via County Ordinance.
- 14 (B) The Director of Environmental Services should have the authority to
15 set Cemetery service fees to reflect the true cost of service plus
16 reasonable overhead charges.
- 17 (C) The Director of Environmental Services should have the authority to
18 waive fees associated with grave sales and Cemetery services in cases
19 of extreme financial hardship.
- 20 (D) A survey of grave sale fees involving eight (8) privately owned
21 Cemeteries in the Portland Metropolitan Area indicates that County
22 owned grave plots are under-priced.
- 23 (E) The proposed increase in grave prices will bring the County in line
24 with privately owned and operated Cemeteries.
- 25 (F) In order to minimize County subsidy to Cemetery clients, an emergency
26 is declared to exist.

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2 Section II. Fees

3 Multnomah County Code 5.10.250 is amended to read as follows:

4 5.10.250 Fees for memorials and cemeteries. For the services of the
5 Department of Environmental Services in connection with memorials, cemeteries,
6 and related matters, the grave fees shall be:

7 **GRAVES:**

8 Grave Price Range [\$250-\$350] \$300-\$420

9 Cremain Graves \$200

10 All service fees may be set by the Director of the Environmental Services to
11 reflect the true cost, plus overhead of the services provided.

12 **[SERVICES:]**

13 **[GRAVE OPENING AND CLOSING FOR:]**

13	[Adult Liner	\$295]
	[Adult Vault	\$295]
14	[Double Depth Burial	\$75]
	[Cremation (with liner)	\$140]
15	[Baby (2' and 2-1/2')	\$110]
	[Child (3-1/2')	\$110]
16	[Child (4-1/2')	\$110]

17 **[CONCRETE LINER:]**

	[2' - 2-1/2'	\$80]
18	[3-1/2'	\$85]
	[4-1/2'	\$95]
19	[State (Adult) Size	\$195]

20 **[OPTIONAL ITEMS:]**

	[Foundation, single	
21	setting (12" x 24")	\$80]
	[Foundation, double	
22	setting (12" x 36")	\$115]
	[Foundation, double	
23	setting (12" x 48")	\$115]

24 **[EXTRA SERVICES:]**

	[Saturday Overtime	\$125]
25	[Sunday/Holiday Overtime	\$175]

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3 Section III. Exemption

4 The Director of Environmental Services shall have the authority to
5 waive fees associated with grave sales and burial services in situations
6 of extreme financial hardship.

7 Section IV. Adoption

8 It being necessary, for the protection of the health and safety of
9 the citizens of Multnomah County, an emergency is declared and this
10 Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

11 Adopted this 17th day of January, 1991, being the date of
12 its first reading before the Board of County Commissioners of Multnomah
13 County, Oregon.

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