PART IV Memorials

Items in Cemetery Placed at Owner's Risk

- 35. (1) All memorials or other objects or things of any kind, including plantings, are placed in a cemetery at the owner's risk.
 - (2) The City accepts no responsibility and shall in no circumstances be liable for damage to or loss of any property, including memorials or other objects or things of any kind, resulting from theft, vandalism, degradation, normal wear and tear or any other cause outside of the control of the City.
 - (3) The City may move or remove, either temporarily or permanently, any memorial or other object or thing of any kind, including plantings, located in a cemetery for any reason, including for the purposes of:
 - (a) performing maintenance;
 - (b) opening graves;
 - (c) preserving or maintaining an orderly and proper appearance of the cemeteries;
 - (d) removing items that are considered objectionable or unnatural, such as solar lights, chimes, stepping stones, flags and poles; and
 - (e) enforcing the requirements of this Bylaw.

Permanent Items

36. Only memorials approved by the Superintendent as permanent items are permitted to remain in a cemetery year-round.

Memorials on Communal Graves

- 37. (1) No type of memorial is permitted on a communal grave that contains more than 2 interments.
 - On a communal grave containing 2 interments, each interment is permitted 1 flat marker upon payment of the required fees as set out in Schedule "B", provided that no additional interments are permitted in the grave.

Flowers and Flower Beds

- 38. The following provisions apply to flowers and flower beds:
 - (a) flowers in containers that are not part of an approved monument may be removed and disposed of by the City;
 - (b) flower beds may be planted at a grave, other than a military grave or a grave in an area designated for flat markers, subject to the following requirements:
 - the City assumes no responsibility for the appearance, maintenance or cleanup of flower beds and if flower beds are neglected they may be removed by the City;
 - (ii) the outer edge of a flower bed shall not exceed the width of the foundation or flat marker and shall not extend more than 45.5 centimetres (18 inches) out at the centre;
 - (iii) the flower bed shall be crescent shaped and located immediately in front of the monument at the head of the grave only;
 - (iv) only annual flowers that do not re-grow and achieve a maximum height of the adjacent monument can be planted in an approved flower bed;
 - any artificial flowers, potted plants, perennials, lawn-edging, or non-natural items, such as solar lights, chimes, rocks, steppingstones or other decorative items, may be removed and disposed of by the City;
 - (c) all items or things placed on a grave, flower bed, monument or foundation that are not permitted by the Superintendent or this Bylaw may be removed and disposed of by the City;
 - (d) vases in flat marker areas of a cemetery must be inverted from November 1 to March 31.

Memorials at Time of Interment

39. (1) Temporary memorials such as flowers are permitted on a grave or columbarium on the day of interment and may remain for a period of 7 days following interment.

(2) The City may remove and dispose of anything left on a grave or columbarium after the expiration of the period mentioned in subsection (1).

Memorial Benches or Trees

- 40. (1) Any person may, subject to the approval of the Superintendent and payment of the required fees as set out in Schedule "B", commemorate the life of a deceased person through a memorial bench or tree.
 - (2) Memorial benches or trees shall be limited to commemorating persons who are either interred at Woodlawn Cemetery or who lived in Saskatoon at some point in their lives.

Commemoration of Non-Interred Person

41. Where a memorial is, with the approval of the Superintendent, erected or altered to commemorate a person not interred at Woodlawn Cemetery, the inscription must clearly indicate that no interment has taken place.

Applications for Monuments

- 42. (1) Applications to locate monuments in a cemetery must be:
 - (a) made in the form required by the City; and
 - (b) submitted to the cemetery office during regular office hours.
 - (2) Required payment for a monument is due at the time an application mentioned in subsection (1) is submitted, unless otherwise permitted by the Superintendent.
 - (3) Applications for monuments that do not comply with this Bylaw shall not be approved, regardless of whether the proposed monument matches an existing or previously installed monument.
 - (4) Upon approval, a copy of the application mentioned in subsection (1) shall be returned to the applicant.
 - (5) The City accepts no responsibility for any monument work that occurs prior to the City providing its approval.

(6) The person who applies to locate a monument in a cemetery is responsible for determining the width and length of the grave or graves to be marked and ensuring that the requirements respecting monuments set out in this Bylaw are observed.

Delivery

- 43. (1) An application mentioned in section 42 must be approved prior to the delivery of a monument to a cemetery.
 - (2) The cemetery office must be informed at least 24 hours in advance, during regular office hours, of any delivery to a cemetery.
 - (3) Monuments to be installed on a foundation shall not be delivered until the cemetery office has confirmed that the foundation is complete.
 - (4) Flat markers shall not be delivered until the cemetery office has confirmed that the gravesite has been suitably landscaped.

Notification Required

44. Any person desiring to carry out monument or other work, including delivering a monument, at a cemetery shall, upon arrival, inform the cemetery office of their arrival and the work they intend to carry out.

Timing of Installation

- 45. (1) Subject to subsection (2), monument work shall not occur outside of visiting hours of a cemetery.
 - (2) Installation of flat markers or foundations must:
 - (a) be scheduled in advance with the Superintendent;
 - (b) not take place until the gravesite has been suitably landscaped, as determined by the Superintendent; and
 - (c) occur prior to the fall cut-off date, as determined annually by the Superintendent, or otherwise the following spring.

Installation Responsibility

- 46. (1) The monument company is responsible for the installation of all monuments on foundations.
 - (2) All concrete work and the anchoring of bronze plaques to bases is the responsibility of the person making the application to complete the work and must be completed prior to the delivery of the flat marker to a cemetery.
 - (3) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2), the City reserves the right to install foundations for upright monuments.

Placement of Monuments

- 47. (1) Monuments other than permitted foot markers must be placed at the head of a grave.
 - (2) No person other than the interment rights holder may direct the placement of monuments on a grave.
 - (3) Persons other than the interment rights holder who direct the placement of a monument on a grave do so at their own risk.

Foot Markers

48. When the head of a grave is marked by either a flat marker or an upright monument, a foot marker is permitted on the grave.

Inscriptions

- 49. (1) The surname inscribed on a monument or columbarium must match the surname corresponding to the burial as recorded at the cemetery office.
 - (2) Where there is a request for an inscription with a surname different from the surname recorded in the records of the cemetery office, the recorded name must:
 - (a) be legally changed; or
 - (b) appear elsewhere on the inscription, such as appearing in smaller lettering or placed in parenthesis.