

MIDVALE CITY, UTAH

RESOLUTION NO. No. 2022-R-39

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING UPDATED RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE CEMETERY AND TO ALLOW FOR THE INSTALLATION OF UPRIGHT HEADSTONES

WHEREAS, the Midvale City Municipal Code allows for the addition of rules and regulations concerning the care, use operation and maintenance of the cemetery through resolution by the governing body: and

WHEREAS, the City; is updating its cemetery rules and regulations to allow the installation of upright monuments within the cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the City is updating its rules and regulations to be current with operating hours and methods of those responsible for overseeing cemetery operations; and

WHEREAS, any changes in the rules and regulations shall be adopted by the governing body before such changes shall be made official.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based on the foregoing, the Midvale City Council approves this resolution adopting the updated cemetery rules and regulations.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of August, 2022.

Marcus Stevenson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rori L. Andreason, MMC City Recorder



Table with 3 columns: Voting by the City Council, "Aye", "Nay". Rows include Dustin Gettel, Paul Glover, Quinn Sperry, Heidi Robinson, and Bryant Brown, all with checkmarks in the "Aye" column.

Midvale City Cemetery Rules and Regulations Amended August 23, 2022

After August 23, 2022, any person owning or purchasing a grave in the Midvale City Cemetery shall do so under the following amended rules and regulations:

1. The operations of the Cemetery are subject to the control of the Cemetery Superintendent or designee.
2. The price of Cemetery graves and fees shall be listed on the Midvale City Fee Schedule.
3. According to the schedule below, a 48-hour notice to the Cemetery office is required for all burial arrangements.
 - a. For a burial on Monday or Tuesday, notification to the City is due on the prior Thursday by noon.
 - b. For burial on Wednesday, notification to the City is due on the prior Monday by noon.
 - c. For burial on Thursday, notification to the City is due on the prior Tuesday by noon.
 - d. For a burial on Friday, notification to the City is due on the prior Wednesday by noon.
 - e. For a burial on Saturday, notification to the City is due on the prior Thursday by noon.
4. No burial services will be performed on the following dates:
 - a. New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and during the City's Harvest Days Celebration;
 - b. Sundays; and
 - c. Any day deemed necessary by the Cemetery Superintendent due to staffing, scheduling, weather, or unforeseen circumstances.
5. The setting of, or work on a headstone, requires a request to be submitted, approved, and scheduled by the Public Works Department. Additionally, no headstone shall be installed/set from October 15 to March 1 unless the City determines that the weather allows for the correct installation/setting of the headstone.
6. Upright headstones can be up to 30" from ground level and require a fee of \$500 before the headstone is installed.
7. One headstone per grave is allowed. The headstone is to be placed at the head of the grave. The only exception to this shall be for a veteran, where a second marker, supplied by the Veteran's Administration, may be placed at the foot of the grave.
8. No headstone shall exceed these measurements: Double Headstone- Overall headstone and concrete border (mow strip) shall not exceed 72 inches wide by 28 inches deep and

30 inches tall (upright). Single Headstone- Overall headstone and concrete border (mow strip) shall not exceed 36 inches wide by 28 inches deep and 30 inches tall (upright).

9. If an urn is to be placed inside a headstone, the family or mortuary must submit a headstone installation request to be approved and scheduled by the Public Works department.
10. Vases: All permanent vases must be placed in the cement or stone base of the headstone/marker and recessed to ground level when not in use.
11. Liability for Damage: As provided in Midvale Municipal Code 12.20.140, the City is not liable for damage to headstones, markers, tombstones, or monuments unless the City caused such damage. The City is not responsible for repair of chipped, scratched, or scraped headstones.
12. Decorum: Properly displayed flowers and decorations add to the beauty and character of the Cemetery. Therefore, decorations are permitted to stay on the headstone within the vase or concrete border permanently as long as they do not infringe upon the mow strip or become unsightly. Any decorations, including artificial flowers, that infringe on the mow strip or interfere with scheduled maintenance will be removed and discarded weekly. Furthermore, the Cemetery will be cleaned on the last Thursday of every month with discretion given to recent burials and holidays.
13. When any decoration becomes detrimental to adjacent lots or walks or becomes unsightly, the City has the right to remove such decoration.
14. Subject to all other applicable rules, any grave decoration not removed by the owner 14-days after any holiday will be removed and discarded by cemetery staff.
15. All funeral flowers and floral pieces will be removed and discarded when they become unsightly.
16. No glass, including vases and other containers, is permitted and will be removed.
17. Shepherd's hooks are prohibited and will be removed.
18. No plants, shrubbery, flowers, or trees of any kind may be planted in the City Cemetery.
19. No lot or grave shall be defined by fences, railings, coping, hedges, trees, shrubs, corner posts, or any other markers to describe its corners or boundaries.