

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 300844

ADOPTED ON SEP 19 2005

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE MT. HOPE LOW INCOME FEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND ADJUSTMENTS TO EXISTING MT. HOPE CEMETERY FEES FOR INCLUSION IN THE RATEBOOK OF CITY FEES AND CHARGES MAINTAINED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK.

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of San Diego to establish fees to recover the costs of providing services in accordance with the City of San Diego Administrative Regulation 95.25; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Regulation 95.25 encourages transferring specific fee schedules listed in the Municipal Code and Council Resolutions to the standardized Ratebook maintained by the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, each department conducted a full evaluation of the costs and revenues associated with providing City services, in accordance with the California Constitution as well as the State Government Code, which authorize local jurisdictions to impose fees, charges, and rates in order to recover costs associated with provided services and the use of facilities; and

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2005, a public hearing was held by the Council of the City of San Diego at which oral and written presentations were made regarding the new and revised fees; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2005, a follow up public hearing was held by the Council of the City of San Diego regarding the revised fees for Mt. Hope Cemetery and a low income fee assistance program for Mt. Hope was presented; and

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2005, the Council of the City of San Diego continued the determination of the Public Convenience or Necessity Fee, the Mount Hope Low Income Fee Assistance Program, and the Volleyball Leagues, Beaches and Bay Areas, Season Reservations Fee, to September 19, 2005; and

WHEREAS, ten days prior to the public hearing held in connection with City Manager's Report No. 05-121 regarding Establishment of New Rates and Fees and Adjustments to Existing Rates and Fees, a notice was made available to the public that included an explanation of the proposed new fees and revisions to existing fees to be considered at the public hearing; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that the City Manager administer a low income fee assistance program for Mt. Hope Cemetery which is based on the Federal Government's Lower Living Standard Income Level, San Diego Index, whereby deceased City of San Diego residents qualifying under the limits and with a maximum of \$2,000 in value of personal property would receive a 50% reduction in the cost of following services: Lot and Perpetual Care; Opening/Closing of Grave; Grave Liner (bell); and Document Processing. This program shall be available for a maximum of 15% of the estimated burials in a fiscal year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the revised Mt. Hope Cemetery fee, attached hereto as Attachment A, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the City Clerk as Document Number RR- 300844, is hereby approved.

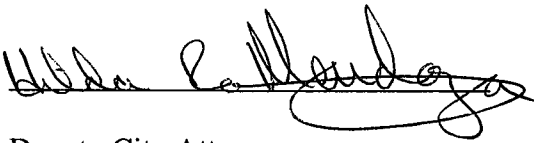
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is hereby directed to review the fees annually to ensure that all reasonable costs incurred in providing services are being

recovered and to approve fee schedules whenever possible in accordance with the City of San Diego Administrative Regulation 95.25.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council finds that the establishment or modification of these rates or fees are for the purpose of meeting operating expenses, and not for the funding of capital projects for the expansion of services, and therefore is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080(b)(8) and CEQA Guidelines section 15273.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to amend the City Ratebook to include the fees attached hereto in Attachment A.

APPROVED: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

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**Low Income Fee Reduction for Mt. Hope**

**Proposed Low Income Fee Reduction**

<b>Service</b>	<b>Current Fees FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2006 Proposed</b>	<b>Cost with a 50% Fee Waiver with FY 2006 Proposed Rates</b>
Lot & Perpetual Care	\$875-\$1,755	\$2,264	\$1,132
Open/close grave	\$413	\$533	\$267
Grave liner (bell)	\$369	\$476	\$238
Document Processing	\$50	\$65	\$33
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,707 - \$2,587</b>	<b>\$3,338</b>	<b>\$1,669</b>
		15% of Burials	70
		<b>Annual General Fund Revenue Loss</b>	<b>\$100,982</b>
		<b>Annual Perpetuity Fund Revenue Loss</b>	<b>\$15,848</b>
		<b>Total Annual Revenue Loss</b>	<b>\$116,830</b>

Services listed are packaged rates for average basic burial services. FY 2006 Proposed Mt. Hope Fees were included in Manager's Report 05-121, Establishment of New Rates and Fees and Adjustments to Existing Rates and Fees as Attachment D.

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