

ORDINANCE NO. 16-121

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORT STOCKTON, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 7 OF THE CITY OF FORT STOCKTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, CEMETERIES\*, ARTICLE III. EAST HILL CEMETERY, SECTION 7-42(a). ANNUAL CLEAN-UP OF CEMETERY; AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the charges set forth would be in the best interest of the citizens of Fort Stockton.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT STOCKTON, PECOS COUNTY, TEXAS:

**CHAPTER 7. CEMETERIES\***  
**ARTICLE III. EAST HILL CEMETERY**

Sec. 7-31. – 7.41 \*\*\*

Sec. 7-42. Objectionable or Unsightly Structures or Objects.

If the Cemetery Board deems any object or structure or any part of any structure within the East Hill Cemetery to be objectionable or to have become unsightly, it shall so inform the City and the City and its superintendent may remove such object or structure.

**7.42(a) Annual Clean-Up of Cemetery**

An Annual Clean-Up will be completed by the City on the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Week of January of Each Year. All decorative items placed on the ground for that plot, whether in superior or substandard condition, must be removed by family members or representative(s) of the deceased prior to this time or items will be disposed of.

Sec. 7-43 – 7-51. \*\*\*

**Severability.** It is the intention of the City Council of the City of Fort Stockton that if any phrase, sentence, section, or paragraph of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any of the remainder of this ordinance since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation of the unconstitutional or invalid phrase, sentence, section or paragraph.

**Effective.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and publication as provided by law.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** on first and final reading this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

**CITY OF FORT STOCKTON**

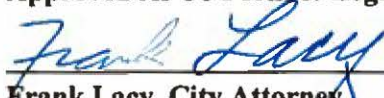
  
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Joe Chris Alexander, Mayor

  
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Raul B. Rodriguez, City Manager

ATTEST:

  
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Delma A. Gonzalez, City Secretary

Approved As To Form & Legality:

  
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Frank Lacy, City Attorney

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