

# City of Apopka CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

**Type of Form**: Public Hearing/Ordinances/Resolution **Meeting Date**: May 3, 2023 **Department**: City Clerk

## **SUBJECT:**

Ordinance No. 3013 – First Reading – Cemetery Fee Amendment

## **REQUEST:**

This is a request to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 3013 and hold over for a second reading and Adoption on May 17, 2023.

#### **SUMMARY:**

The City Clerk recently performed a review of costs associated with the maintenance and support of the City cemetery and put together a comparison of cemetery fees imposed by area municipalities. It was found that the City of Apopka' s fees were substantially lower, which we believe has promoted an increase in the number of non-residents being buried in the City cemetery. City Council approved Ordinance No. 2787 on August 19, 2020 however, we have since opened up 3 new sections, which we are handling with the same number of staff. Due to rising costs of maintenance and personnel costs, it has become necessary to increase our fees in order to properly maintain the grounds and have staff available to meet with the families, funeral homes, mark graves for openings and monuments. This Ordinance seeks to amend Ordinance No. 2787 and provide the City the ability to make future adjustments to the fees through Resolution.

# **FUNDING SOURCE:**

N/A

#### **RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Accept the first reading of Ordinance Number 3013 and hold over for second reading and adoption on May 17, 2023 or soon thereafter.

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

- Ordinance No. 3013
- Comparison of fees