




COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	April 18, 2023
SUBJECT:	Hamilton Municipal Cemeteries - Spring Maintenance Program 2023 (ES23006) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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This Communication Update is to inform the Mayor and Members of City Council of the Annual Spring Maintenance clean-up of all municipal cemeteries.

The Annual Spring Maintenance Program within Hamilton's 69 municipally owned and operated cemeteries will begin and continue through the next few weeks. The maintenance will include a variety of post winter/pre summer services including but not limited to the following: ground maintenance and turf repair, leaf and litter pick up, grave repair (including tamping, levelling and top dress/seeding), flower bed preparation, flat marker maintenance and installations, grave site clean ups and the activation of all water lines.

In accordance with the current Cemetery By-law 12-151, all artificial flowers and wreaths, glass trinkets, Christmas ornaments and any other item(s) that are in contravention of the by-law will be removed. As a courtesy to family members of the deceased, all items removed by cemetery staff will be stored for a period of 60 days for to allow for pick up by the owners.

Public notification respecting the removal of winter items is conveyed through various means including the cemetery website and site signage.

Please contact John Perrotta, Superintendent of Cemeteries at extension 4402 should you have any questions or concerns respecting the operation of any of the city owned and operated Cemeteries.

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APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

N/A