



# City of Norman, OK

Municipal Building Council  
Chambers  
201 West Gray Street  
Norman, OK 73069

## Master

**File Number: O-1314-13**

**File ID:** O-1314-13

**Type:** Ordinance

**Status:** Non-Consent Items

**Version:** 1

**Reference:** Item No. 40

**In Control:** City Council

**Department:** Planning and  
Community  
Development  
Department

**Cost:**

**File Created:** 08/20/2013

**File Name:** Crematoriums Amendment

**Final Action:**

**Title:** CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. O-1314-13 UPON SECOND AND FINAL READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA AMENDING CHAPTER 22 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORMAN TO ALLOW CREMATORIUMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH A FUNERAL PARLOR OR MORTUARY, WHETHER A PERMITTED OR SPECIAL USE IN THE DISTRICT, WITH CONDITIONS IN THE OFFICE-INSTITUTIONAL (O-1), SUBURBAN OFFICE COMMERCIAL (CO), LOCAL COMMERCIAL (C-1), GENERAL COMMERCIAL (C-2), INTENSIVE COMMERCIAL (C-3), AND LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (I-1) ZONING DISTRICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

**Notes:** ACTION NEEDED: Motion to adopt or reject Ordinance No. O-1314-13 upon Second Reading section by section.

ACTION TAKEN: \_\_\_\_\_

ACTION NEEDED: Motion to adopt or reject Ordinance No. O-1314-13 upon Final Reading as a whole.

ACTION TAKEN: \_\_\_\_\_

**Agenda Date:** 10/22/2013

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**Attachments:** Exhibit A - Survey on Crematoriums, O-1314-13  
Clean, O-1314-13 Annotated, Staff Report, 9-12-13  
PC Minutes - O-1314-13

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**Effective Date:**

### History of Legislative File

Ver- sion:	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:
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1	Planning Commission	09/12/2013	Recommended for Adoption at a subsequent City Council Meeting	City Council	10/08/2013	Pass
	<b>Action Text:</b> That this Ordinance be Recommended for Adoption at a subsequent City Council Meeting. to the City Council due back on 10/8/2013 by consent roll call					
1	City Council	10/08/2013	Introduced and adopted on First Reading by title only			Pass
	<b>Action Text:</b> That this Ordinance be Introduced and adopted on First Reading by title only. by consent roll call					

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### **Text of Legislative File O-1314-13**

Body

**BACKGROUND:** In November, 2012 the City Council approved an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to add Crematoriums as a Special Use in the A-2, C-2 and C-3 zones and as a Permitted Use in I-1 and I-2. The use has development requirements that must be met whether developed as a Special Use or a Permitted Use. This amendment contemplated crematoriums as a stand-alone use and the criteria for locating crematoriums were based on them being a single use.

City staff has been approached once again on this issue to request that crematoriums be allowed to be located in the same building with a funeral home or mortuary. This is certainly an option in the industry and there are no State regulations that would prohibit this from occurring.

Staff has reviewed several other cities' zoning ordinances as to their regulations for crematoriums. We found a wide range of regulations. EXHIBIT A is a table which identifies the cities we researched and the regulations those cities required for the construction of crematoriums.

Oklahoma City and Tulsa both allow crematoriums to be located in the same zones where a funeral home or mortuary is allowed.

The attached zoning code amendment was a substitute amendment recommended for approval by the Planning Commission. It will allow a crematorium in a funeral home or mortuary in non-residential zoning districts. They will be allowed as a Special use in the O-1, CO, C-1, C-2 and C-3 Zoning Districts and by right in the I-1 Zoning District. The change was made after testimony in opposition was received and after Commission discussion. The substituted ordinance adds the additional requirement that the use is a Special Use in the C-2 and C-3 zones to allow additional review of this use in commercial areas.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of this Code amendment. There are development conditions included in the Ordinance language that must be met to protect adjacent properties.

At their meeting of September 12, 2013, Planning Commission recommended approval of the attached Ordinance by a vote of 8-0.