RESOLUTION NO. 2359

Introduced by Commissioner: Mark Kujala

AUTHORIZING A PARKS MEMORIAL POLICY FOR CITY OF WARRENTON PARKS, ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS AND RATES

WHEREAS, the City of Warrenton has Parks available for public use, private and commercial events; and

WHEREAS, the City of Warrenton finds it beneficial to establish rules and regulations for memorials in its parks;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. The City of Warrenton requires individuals or groups who wish to place memorials in City Parks to meet the following requirements under the terms and conditions of "Exhibit A"
- 2. Staff is directed to implement the rates for memorial benches and trees in "Exhibit A"
- 3. This resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WARRENTON THIS 15th DAY OF February, 2012.

APPROVED Karl R. Hellberg, Mayor

ATTEST

Linda Engbretson, City Recorder



Parks Memorial Policy

1. The City does not allow private development on public property for liability and maintenance purposes.

2. Memorial contributions are accepted for purchase of a bench or tree in memory of a person. A City will have a set cost for a bench and/or tree to be planted and will have a plaque customized. The contributor is responsible for the costs. Memorial tree cost, \$500 (health is guaranteed for maximum of 5 years); Memorial bench cost \$1,000 (guaranteed for maximum of 10 years).

3. City reserves the right to remove memorials that have been damaged and are beyond repair.

4. Memorials for pets are generally not accepted, but may be made for the dog park if approved by the Parks Advisory Board and Public Works.

5. Payments for memorials are made up front, before installation.

6. Other memorial donations should be in the form of appropriate park uses, such as playground equipment, picnic shelters, etc. And are considered on an individual basis and reviewed by either Public Works Staff or a Parks Board.

7. Separation of Church and State prevents religious symbolism on memorials in public parks. If the location is on private property, there is no issue.