

CITY OF VINELAND

ORDINANCE NO. 2018- 41

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2012-21, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 350, ARTICLE I SECTION 350-1 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF VINELAND ENTITLED RECORDS OF VITAL STATISTICS.

WHEREAS, on October 14, 1980 City Council of the City of Vineland adopted Ordinance 1227 setting forth the fees to be charged by the Registrar of Vital Statistics for birth certificates, marriage certificates, civil union certificates, domestic partnership certificates and death records and such fees have not been adjusted for 28 years despite to cost for such services having increased; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Health has recommended the fees be adjusted to meet today's cost increases; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Vineland that Ordinance 2012-21, as amended, Chapter 350, Article I, Section 350-1 be amended as follows:

Section 350-1 Establishment of fees shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Section 350-1. Establishment of fees.

The fees to be charged by the Registrar of Vital Statistics shall be as follows:

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| A. | Certified copies of birth certificates, marriage certificates, civil union certificates and domestic partnership certificates: | \$20.00 |
| | Each additional copy of death certificate provided they are ordered at the same time: | \$ 2.00 |
| B. | Certified copies of death certificates: | \$25.00 |
| C. | Corrections of vital certificates: | \$20.00 |

Passed first reading:

Passed final reading:

President of Council

Approved by the Mayor:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Tonetta Richard

From: Carre Macleod
Sent: Thursday, June 28, 2018 10:03 AM
To: Tonetta Richard
Subject: proposed ordinance

Importance: High

Dear Rick:

We would like to introduce an ordinance to change what the Registrar of Vital Statistics charges :
Currently we charge \$20.00 for a death certificate , no matter how many one orders

We would like to change that to the following:

- First Death Certificate: \$25.00
 - Each additional one if ordered at the same time : \$2.00
1. This change would put us in line with the state so it will achieve two things:
 2. Increase the revenue in the registrar because currently Funeral homes don't get certificates from us due to the high cost and order them directly from the state for families.
 3. Offer greater convenience for local Funeral homes and families . They don't have to wait for the state to mail them to them. They can pick them up immediately.
 4. Also the state requires all deaths to be registered in EDRS , an online portal. We have to review the form and sign off on it anyway to verify accuracy (and get no revenue for doing this)
 5. I spoke to all the area funeral homes who want this and they assured me they would prefer to use us . It was in fact a local funeral director who suggested it to me.
 6. I spoke to Paul Spinelli about it and he said it is a no brainer and he would see that the ordinance is passed. He had an experience with this himself with a family member.

Macleod Carre, LSW, MS

Director, Vineland Department of Health