

City Owned Cemeteries



City Council
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City Owner Cemeteries

Old Bayview Cemetery- located at the corner of Ramirez Street and Waco Street



New Bayview Cemetery- located at corner of Kennedy Avenue and Winnebago Street.





History- Old Bay View

Old Bayview Cemetery-

- It is the oldest federal military cemetery in Texas with the first burials taking place there in 1845 when eight soldiers in Gen. Zachery Taylor's army were killed in an explosion.
- In 2020, Old Bayview was added to The National Register of Historic Places.
- The cemetery came into existence in 1897 when H.E. and Hattie Luter donated the land to the Bayview Cemetery Association.
- Burials records began there in 1899 and ceased in 1913

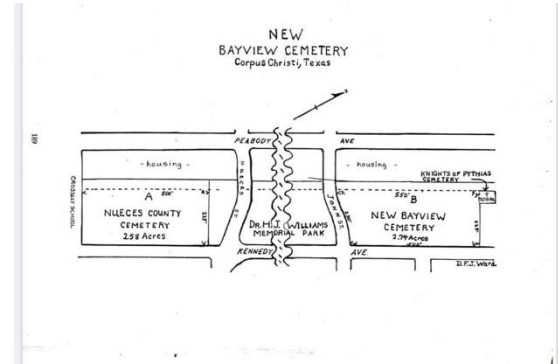




History- New Bay View

New Bayview Cemetery-

- Early maps on file at the Nueces County Courthouse indicate three cemeteries are located here: the New Bayview, the Nueces County, and the Knights of Pythias.
- Many tombstones and bodies were transferred to Rose Hill Cemetery between 1914 and 1929.
- The Bayview Association recorded burials from 1899 through 1913 in the New Bayview Cemetery record book.





Ordinance

Sec.33-119. – General.

(b) The following cemeteries are maintained by the city: **Old Bayview Cemetery** located at the corner of Ramirez Street and Waco Street, and a cemetery known as **New Bayview Cemetery** located at corner of Kennedy Avenue and Winnebago Street.

(Ord. No. 027844, § 1, 9-9-2008)

Both Old Bayview Cemetery and New Bayview Cemetery are scheduled for regular cemetery care as outlined in Section 33-121. Cemetery Care, (a).

Sec. 33-121. - Cemetery care.

(a) The City of Corpus Christi shall provide for the continuing maintenance of the cemetery. In general, this includes: mowing, pruning, landscaping, policing of the grounds, and such other maintenance as may be necessary to keep the cemetery presentable at all times.

(b) Cemetery maintenance *does not* include the purchase, erection, repair, or replacement of monuments, headstones, markers, or any other item.

(Ord. No. 027844, § 1, 9-9-2008)



City Maintenance Schedule

Location	Mowing	Trash Removal	Trees/Shrubs
Old Bayview	Weekly	Daily	Annual
New Bayview	Weekly (contracted)	Tuesday-Saturday	Annual

- The Friends of Old Bayview Cemetery Association maintain the erection, repair or replacement of monuments, headstones, markers, or any other item during the year only at Old Bayview Cemetery
 - Volunteers that have been trained specifically by the National Park Service to maintain headstones and markers
 - Staff relies on the trained volunteers to maintain the headstones and markers
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Questions?