



POLICY FOR MEMORIALS/MONUMENTS IN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY

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Bend Code Chapter 1.30.005 provides for 'City Manager Authority to Adopt Administrative Regulations, Policies and Guidelines.' All regulations, policies and guidelines adopted by the City Manager shall be consistent with the City of Bend Charter, the Bend Code, and Council ordinances.

The following policy conforms to the above stated standards.

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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Policy is for the City to exercise its ability to engage in government speech by creating a policy allowing for the hosting of a limited number of memorials or monuments to individuals in selected locations in or on City of Bend public rights-of-way. All considerations and decisions about memorials or monuments will be made in light of the City's responsibility to manage public rights-of-way for safe access and use by the general public.

II. FINDINGS

- A. In 2021, Barry Washington, Jr. was killed in downtown Bend. In 2023, Taylor Wyss was killed in downtown Bend close to the location of Washington's death. Both Washington and Wyss were victims of gun violence in public places, in an area of public right-of-way. Unfortunately, these were neither the first and will likely not be the last people in Bend to lose their lives to violence.
- B. In the time following the deaths of Washington and Wyss, family members and others established and maintained memorials at the locations of the deaths.
- C. The City recognizes the desire and need for people, including family members, community members, and others, to commemorate and recognize the lives of those who have been lost, and acknowledges that there are circumstances where that commemoration may be appropriate in a public right-of-way.
- D. Too many lives are lost to violence. The City believes this statement to be true irrespective of any position on rights related to gun ownership, or debates about the appropriate degree of gun regulation.
- E. Government, including local government, has the ability to engage in its own speech to communicate its values, messages, and priorities. The City intends do so by creating this Policy to host a limited number of memorials or monuments to individuals lost to violence in Bend, by guns or other causes, in some locations in public rights-of-way managed by the City.

III. DEFINITIONS

A. "Memorial" or "monument" means an installation, structure, art display or piece of artwork designed and intended to commemorate the life of an individual. For the purposes of this Policy, the City intends this Policy, the application process, and the requirements of the Policy to apply to memorials and monuments that are intended to be permanent. All memorials and monuments proposed to be in public rights-of-way will be subject to this Policy and any other requirements and standards adopted or applied by the City, in its sole discretion. Items or structures that are left, placed, or constructed in City rights-of-way without approval under this Policy are subject to removal, at the

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sole discretion of the City.

IV. POLICY & PROCEDURE

- A. No person or entity shall place any memorial or monument in any location in the public rights-of-way in the city without first obtaining a memorial permit.
- B. The applicant for a memorial permit must be a direct family member of the person to be commemorated or have a signed written authorization from a direct family member on a form determined by the City.
- C. The City will generally not require insurance or proof of insurance from an applicant for a memorial permit.
- D. As part of the memorial permit application, applicants will be required to submit a proposed design and location for a memorial or monument for the City's¹ consideration. Applicants are responsible for securing any and all permissions, rights, and/or licenses needed from the creator and/or artist of the memorial or monument.
- E. Generally speaking, applicants for a memorial permit should demonstrate that there is unanimity or consensus among the family of the person to be commemorated, including but not necessarily limited to the design and location of the proposed memorial or monument.
- F. There will be no fee for a memorial application or permit.
- G. The City considers monuments and memorials in public rights-of-way proposed under this Policy to be its own expression, and therefore reserves all discretion to determine whether it will host a particular monument or memorial. This includes but is not limited to discretion on whether to accept a proposed design, whether to agree to a proposed location, and whether to continue maintaining or to remove any existing memorial or monument that has previously been placed or approved.
- H. Without in any way limiting that discretion, the City will include consideration of the following non-exhaustive list of factors and issues in determining whether to approve a memorial application:
 - 1. The memorial or monument is intended to commemorate an individual who lost their life in Bend due to violence.
 - 2. Whether the individual to be commemorated lost their life in a public place,

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¹ For purposes of this policy, all references to decisions or considerations of or by the City mean the City Manager or their designee(s).



such as a public street or other public rights-of-way.

- 3. Whether the proposed memorial or monument is consistent with the values of peace, non-violence, equality, inclusion, and a welcoming environment for all residents and visitors to the city. The City expressly reserves the right to determine whether a memorial or monument is consistent with City values, messages, and priorities, and may deny any memorial application if any aspect of the proposal is inconsistent with the City's expression of its values, messages, or priorities.
- 4. Whether the proposed design can be safely and effectively integrated at the proposed location in the public right-of-way without compromising access or safety for pedestrians and others using the public right-of-way, including access under the ADA and PROWAG. Any proposed design must comply with any affected or applicable City standards and specifications and should not present any actual or potential interference with any current or future infrastructure.
- 5. Generally speaking, proposed memorials and monuments should not occupy more physical space than the space occupied by a typical park bench, and preferably less space, so that the memorial or monument can be effectively integrated into the space of the public right-of-way without interfering with or detracting from traditional uses of public rights-of-way for movement of pedestrians and vehicles, and to facilitate the conducting of business and other activities. The City reserves all rights to determine whether the size, location, and other characteristics of a proposed memorial or monument are compatible with the proposed location or area.
- 6. Memorials and monuments should be constructed with durable and sustainable materials and techniques in order to provide a lasting commemoration and to minimize expense and difficulty of any maintenance that may be needed over time. Components that involve flashing lights, movement or components that move, or connections to utilities or infrastructure and other elements that can add complexity and complication to construction or maintenance are generally disfavored. The City may require that proposed memorials and monuments adhere to a City-approved template or standard.
- 7. The City will consider whether the proposed memorial or monument and the proposed location are compatible with the surrounding area and uses. Residential areas are generally disfavored for memorials or monuments subject to this Policy, in that memorials and monuments may sometimes inspire vigils, commemorations, or other gatherings.
- 8. The City will generally approve only a single memorial or monument for a particular individual.

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- I. The City may deny a memorial application in its sole discretion, whether for factors included in this Policy or for any other reason.
- J. The City will have sole maintenance responsibility for an approved memorial or monument, except where the City, in its sole discretion, enters into or requires a maintenance agreement with another party.
- K. No approved and/or installed memorial or monument may be expanded, altered, or modified in any way without express written approval from the City.
- L. The City reserves the right and full discretion to remove, alter, or modify an approved and/or installed memorial or monument at any time, with or without notice to an applicant or any other party. Approval of a memorial permit in no way grants the applicant or any other party any ownership, control, or rights to the memorial or monument or to any location in the public right-of-way, and any permissions, express or implied, related to an application for a memorial permit or a memorial permit may be terminated or revoked by the City at any time.
- M. Consideration or approval of a memorial application is not a land use decision, and no particular timelines or processes apply.
- N. The manner in which the City considers a memorial application and the City's decision on an application are solely at the discretion of the City. Such decision is not subject to any appeal.

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