



# City of Wimberley

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A public call has been issued for anyone willing to donate land for additional cemetery space in the Wimberley Valley. The call was issued this week by Wimberley Place Three City Councilman Matt Meeks who is working with representatives of the Wimberley Cemetery Association, Hays County and other community leaders in an effort to ensure adequate burial space exists for those wishing to make Wimberley their final resting place.

“The Wimberley Cemetery is very near capacity for traditional burials with no room to expand the current site,” said Councilman Meeks. “This community is fast approaching a time when there won’t be a public place to be buried in Wimberley and we can’t allow that to be the case.”

Representatives of the Wimberley Cemetery Association have reported to the City that the century-old cemetery, located on Old Kyle Road in Wimberley, is almost out of available burial space for traditional burials although cremation sites are available. In response to a call for assistance, City officials have joined forces with the Cemetery Association, Hays County and others to search for a future cemetery site in the area that will meet the future burial needs of the community. A decision has not yet been made on what organization will oversee operation of the future cemetery site, once found.

“A three to five acre piece of property would go a long way in meeting this community’s future cemetery needs” said Meeks. “We are looking for someone willing to donate such a site to give those who desire to be buried in this great community that opportunity.”

Any land donated would have to meet State standards for it to be used as a future cemetery. Officials are looking for a site that is not located close to a river, creek or stream and one that is relatively level.

“This shortage in cemetery space is a critical problem facing our community,” according to Meeks. “It is a community problem that Wimberley, as a can-do community, can come together and quickly solve.”

Individuals who may have property they would be willing to donate or who would like additional information on the effort to find future cemetery space in the Wimberley Valley are asked to call City Administrator Don Ferguson at 512.847.0025 or email [dferguson@cityofwimberley.com](mailto:dferguson@cityofwimberley.com).