

I. IDENTIFICATION DATA

Thesis name:	Koncepce hřbitova města Tábor
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II. EVALUATION OF INDIVIDUAL CRITERIA

Assignment	ordinarily challenging
<i>Evaluation of thesis difficulty of assignment.</i>	
The author addresses a current topic in open space planning. Strategic cemetery development is a topical issue in many cities, as burial forms are changing and the design of cemeteries must adapt accordingly.	

Satisfaction of assignment	fulfilled with minor objections
<i>Assess that handed thesis meets assignment. Present points of assignment that fell short or were extended. Try to assess importance, impact or cause of each shortcoming.</i>	
The task is basically fulfilled, especially with regard to the development of scenarios for long-term cemetery development. However, there are some deficits, particularly in the classification of the issue. For example, the context of the current cemetery development is only presented in very general terms, and there is also a lack of classifying information on the urban open space system of Tábor.	

Activity and independence when creating final thesis	B - very good.
<i>Assess that student had positive approach, time limits were met, conception was regularly consulted and was well prepared for consultations. Assess student's ability to work independently.</i>	
The author used the regular consultations to constantly develop the project further. The appointments were well prepared and the results were incorporated into the work. The development of the work was largely independent; key conceptual ideas are the original result of the author's own considerations.	

Technical level	C - good.
<i>Assess level of thesis specialty, use of knowledge gained by study and by expert literature, use of sources and data gained by experience.</i>	
The preceding diploma analysis was comprehensive and led to a meaningful formulation of the topic of the diploma thesis. In the thesis itself, the results of the analysis are only presented very fragmentarily, which impairs the understanding of the work. Literature references on general questions of cemetery development are missing, making a scientific classification difficult. It would also have been helpful to include a qualified representation of the urban open space system as a source in addition to the own map representation.	

Formal and language level, scope of thesis	B - very good.
<i>Assess correctness of usage of formal notation. Assess typographical and language arrangement of thesis.</i>	
The work is readable and correctly written,	

Selection of sources, citation correctness	C - good.
<i>Present your opinion to student's activity when obtaining and using study materials for thesis creation. Characterize selection of sources. Assess that student used all relevant sources. Verify that all used elements are correctly distinguished from own results and thoughts. Assess that citation ethics has not been breached and that all bibliographic citations are complete and in accordance with citation convention and standards.</i>	

Sources are correctly named, but only very sparingly stated. In some cases, assertions are made that are not substantiated by sources.

Additional commentary and evaluation

Present your opinion to achieved primary goals of thesis, e.g. level of theoretical results, level and functionality of technical or software conception, publication performance, experimental dexterity etc.

With a work that is very much oriented towards pragmatic planning work, the author makes a good contribution to the strategic open space development of Tabor. The key idea is that the future development of the cemeteries should be based on the new requirements for burials. The previously estimated amount of space reserves is critically questioned, remeasured and partially summarized. To this end, the author develops a flexible concept that defines the expansion areas as urban parks for a longer period of time before they are used as cemeteries. This can lead to a significant gain for the city; even today, the existing facilities can be better integrated with this strategy. For better classification, it would have been helpful to provide some contextual information on the nationwide development of the cemetery system and the qualified open space system of the city of Tabor.

Based on the strategic part, the author develops a concrete proposal for the Nový Hřbitov. This is well founded and also spatially well elaborated. The proposals for the detailed design of future burial sites are interesting and innovative, but remain somewhat out of context, as other features or vegetation elements are not discussed in the same depth.

III. OVERALL EVALUATION, QUESTIONS FOR DEFENSE, CLASSIFICATION SUGGESTION

Summarize thesis aspects that swayed your final evaluation.

Overall, the work is a good, practice-oriented contribution to the topic, although there are some deficits in the scientific classification. It could become a useful tool for the town of Tabor to manage cemetery development in the long term.

I evaluate handed thesis with classification grade **B - very good**.

Questions:

How are your proposals for the town of Tabor based on the current general trend in cemetery development?

Are there any results from your work that you can transfer to the management of existing cemeteries?

Date: **4.6.2025**

Signature:

