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**AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICES
WITH ROCK COUNTY**

The Dane County Medical Examiner's Office has been providing autopsy and forensic services to Rock County since 2011. In 2017 Dane County entered into an agreement with Rock County for Administrative, Oversight and Autopsy services for 2017 and 2018. The current agreement expired December 31, 2018. Rock and Dane Counties have negotiated a successor agreement with the same services to be provided, specifically outlined in the new IGA but generally the Dane County Medical Examiner's Office will medical examiner services, office oversight and management, and autopsy medicine services to Rock County. This resolution approves the terms of that agreement.

The initial term of the agreement will begin on January 1, 2019 and run through December 31, 2020. The agreement includes an option to renew the agreement for an additional term by mutual agreement of the parties. During this time, the Dane County Chief Medical Examiner and Deputy Medical Examiner will serve as the Rock County Medical Examiner and Deputy Medical Examiner. The Medical Examiner's Director of Operations, or his designee will oversee and manage the day to day operations of the Rock County Medical Examiner's Department and staff.

The agreement includes individual case review for each Rock County death investigation and provides for a projected number of autopsies to be performed on an annual basis. The autopsy medicine and case review oversight will generate approximately \$263,680.00 in 2019 and \$271,312.00 in 2020 to include transportation services in each year. The agreement allows for negotiation to take place based on the actual number of autopsies conducted if the actual number varies significantly from the projections.

The administrative services provided by the Director of Operations will average 12 hours per week for the term of the agreement. The agreement fully reimburses the Director's time and generates \$46,420 in 2019 and \$48,049 in 2020.

The County Executive's proposed 2019 Budget includes the budget adjustments necessary to implement this agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors approves the Intergovernmental Agreement with Rock County to provide Medical Examiner services beginning on January 1, 2019; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Intergovernmental Agreement for Medical Examiner Services with Rock County be awarded to Dane County for 2019-2020 and that the Dane County Executive and County Clerk are authorized to execute the contract.

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