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AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICES WITH BROWN COUNTY

In 2018 Dane County entered into an agreement with Brown County for Administrative, Oversight and Autopsy services for 2018 and 2019. The current agreement expired December 31, 2019. Brown and Dane County have negotiated a successor agreement with the same services to be provided and generally include, medical examiner services, office oversight and management, and autopsy medicine services to Brown County. This resolution approves the terms of that agreement.

The initial term of the agreement began on January 1, 2020 and will 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, Deputy Chief Medical Examiner, and Deputy Medical Examiner will serve as the Brown County Chief Medical Examiner, Deputy Chief 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 Brown County Medical Examiner's Department and staff.

The agreement includes individual case review for each Brown 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 \$677,059.73 in 2020 and \$699,701.88 in 2021. 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 or designee will average 23 hours per week for the term of the agreement. The agreement fully reimburses the Director's time.

The County Executive's proposed 2020 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 Brown County to provide Medical Examiner services beginning on January 1, 2020; and ending on December 31, 2021.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that County officials are authorized to take appropriate actions to implement the terms of this resolution.