

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

The Dane County Medical Examiner's Office has provided autopsy and forensic services to Rock County since 2011. In 2020, Dane County entered into an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with Rock County for administrative oversight and autopsy services for the 2021-2025 term. That agreement is set to expire on December 31, 2025.

Rock and Dane Counties have negotiated a successor five-year agreement covering the period from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2030. The successor IGA provides for continuation of the same core services, with adjustments reflecting updated workload trends, expanded service availability, staffing increases, and revised compensation rates.

Under the agreement, the Dane County Medical Examiner's office will continue to provide autopsy and external examination services for Rock County cases, forensic case review and oversight for all Rock County death investigations, office administration and operational oversight, on call consultation and scene/hospital response support, and training, safety compliance, and onboarding for new investigative staff. This agreement also includes transportation of decedents for autopsy or external examination, with cost adjustment based on projected activity levels.

The 2026 base year contract cost is \$494,311.84. For the years 2027 through 2030, contract cost will increase annually by 3% to account for inflation, wage adjustments, and workload growth, unless otherwise negotiated due to significant deviations in case volume.

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, 2026; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Intergovernmental Agreement for Medical Examiner Services with Rock County be awarded to Dane County for 2026-2030 and that the Dane County Executive and County Clerk are authorized to execute the contract.