

# ANOKA COUNTY

## AGENDA

### INTERGOVERNMENTAL & COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE and Meeting of the Anoka County Board of Commissioners\*\*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022 MEETING

9:45 A.M.

Anoka County Government Center, Conference Room #772

Public comments are welcome at this time. In consideration of others wishing to speak, please limit comments to two minutes. Questions directed to the committee may not be answered immediately; however, whenever possible, all appropriate questions will be responded to in a timely and effective manner by county staff.

#### Action Items

1. Consider recommending the county board approve the following agreements for medical examiner and autopsy services for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023, and automatic renewals for two (2), two-year terms, terminating December 31, 2027:
  - A. Contract C0009012 with Ottertail County. Ottertail County will pay \$54,000 per year with a monthly administrative fee of \$175.
  - B. Contract C0009024 with Grant County. Grant County will be billed for each autopsy, along with a monthly administrative fee of \$125.

**See attached** worksheets.

2. Consider recommending the county board approve a request to terminate Contract C0007237 with Polk County, Wisconsin, which is a case-average model for autopsy services and convert the contract to a per-case model (Contract C0009036), with a term of January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023 and automatic renewals of two-year terms, terminating December 31, 2027. **See attached** worksheet.

#### Information Item

3. For informational purposes, a reminder that the Anoka County Legislative Delegation meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 24, at 1:00 p.m. in the Community Room at the Anoka County Sheriff's Office.

*\*\* Actions taken by this Committee do not bind the County Board. In addition to the County Commissioners appointed to this committee, additional County Commissioners may attend. Non-committee Commissioners may choose to participate in the discussions and/or ask questions, but they will **not** vote on any item, nor will they agree to take a specific action on business conducted by the committee. If their attendance and limited participation in the committee meeting is considered a meeting of the County Board, this shall serve as notice of a County Board meeting. This shall also serve as notice of a County Board Meeting for any committee comprised of four or more members of the board.*



Anoka County Action Item  
Intergovernmental Committee

ACTION REQUESTED	<p>Anoka County Contract No. C0009012</p> <p>Consider approving an agreement between Anoka County dba Midwest Medical Examiner's Office and Otter Tail County for appointed medical examiner services under the case average contract model.</p>
Background/Description	<p>In mid-December of 2021, the Otter Tail County Sheriff's Office contacted the Midwest Medical Examiner's Office to state they are in need of appointed medical examiner and autopsy services no later than January 1, 2022. As of 2019, Otter Tail County has an estimated population base of 58,746</p>
Other	<p>The term of the agreement, if approved, will commence January 1, 2022. The agreement will be for two (2) years and will automatically renew for two (2), two (2) year terms, beginning January 1, 2024 and terminates on December 31, 2027. During the initial term of the agreement, Otter Tail County will be pay \$54,000 per year, along with a monthly administrative fee of \$175.00. Based on historic data, they average approximately 27 autopsies per year which will be reassessed bi-annually for rate adjustments.</p>



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Intergovernmental Committee

ACTION REQUESTED	Anoka County Contract No. C0009024  Consider approving an agreement between Anoka County dba Midwest Medical Examiner's Office and Grant County for appointed medical examiner services under the per case contract model.
Background/Description	In mid-December of 2021, the Grant County Sheriff's Office contacted the Midwest Medical Examiner's Office to state they are in need of appointed medical examiner and autopsy services no later than January 1, 2022. As of 2019, Grant County has an estimated population base of 5,935.
Other	The term of the agreement, if approved, will commence January 1, 2022. The agreement will be for two (2) years and will automatically renew for two (2), two (2) year terms, beginning January 1, 2024 and terminates on December 31, 2027. During the initial term of the agreement, Grant County will be billed for each autopsy, along with a month administrative fee of \$125.00. Based on historic data, they average approximately 2-5 autopsies per year.



## Anoka County Action Item

### Intergovernmental Committee

ACTION REQUESTED	<p>Terminate Anoka County Contract No. C0007237 to approve New Anoka County Contract No. C0009036.</p> <p>Request to terminate an agreement between Polk County, WI and Anoka County dba Midwest Medical Examiner's Office which will convert Polk County's contract to a per-case model instead of a case-average model.</p>
Background/Description	<p>In December of 2021, the Polk County Coroner requested to change the contract terms to a pay per case model. This will allow them to budget for sending certain autopsy cases to a facility in St. Croix, WI where they'll be exploring the use of CT Scanners-Only. The Midwest Medical Examiner's Office does not anticipate a cost impact by changing the terms of the agreement for Polk County, WI.</p>
Other	<p>If approved, this Agreement will commence on January 1, 2022 and will terminate on December 31, 2023. The Agreement will automatically renew for two (2) additional two (2) year terms (January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2025 and January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2027) unless either party notifies the other party in writing, before September 30, 2023 or September 30, 2025, of their intent not to renew the agreement.</p>