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To: Board of Commissioners

From: Andrea Benck

Date: July 21, 2026

Re: Fourth Amendment to Medical Examiner/Autopsy Services Agreement

Attached for your review is the proposed four-year extension to the existing Medical Examiner/Autopsy Services Agreement which has been in place since 2014. The proposed contract price represents a two percent increase, or \$3.53 per capita per year based on a population of 46,463 which equals \$164,014.39. The contract is a four-year contract and proposes a two percent increase for each of the subsequent years.

Staff recommends approval of the attached contract.

FOURTH AMENDMENT TO MEDICAL EXAMINER/AUTOPSY SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS FOURTH AMENDMENT TO MEDICAL EXAMINER/AUTOPSY SERVICES AGREEMENT (the “Fourth Amendment”) is entered into effective as of the 1st day of January, 2027, by and between Mayo Clinic, doing business as Southern Minnesota Regional Medical Examiner’s Office (hereinafter referred to as “Mayo”) and County of Goodhue, State of Minnesota (hereinafter referred to as “County”).

RECITALS:

A. Mayo and County previously executed that certain Medical Examiner/Autopsy Services Agreement effective as of December 1, 2014, First Amendment effective January 1, 2016, Second Amendment effective January 1, 2019, and Third Amendment effective January 1, 2023 (collectively, the “Agreement”).

B. The parties desire to amend the Agreement as set forth herein.

AMENDMENT:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the parties agree as follows:

1. Incorporation of Recitals. The Recitals hereinabove set forth are incorporated by reference as if fully rewritten herein.
2. Definitions. Except as otherwise provided herein, capitalized terms shall have the same meaning as set forth in the Agreement.
3. Section 8(a). The Term of the Agreement shall be extended to December 31, 2030.
4. Attachment 3. The first paragraph of Attachment 3 to the Agreement shall be deleted in its entirety and amended as follows:

The charge for services described in Attachments 1 and 2 will be \$3.53 per capita per year in 2027 based on a population of 46,463 and will increase by 2% to \$3.60 per capita in year 2028; by another 2% to \$3.67 per capita in year 2029; and by another 2% to \$3.74 per capita in year 2030. Other Services described in Attachment 4 will be billed at the then current rate for those services.

1. Notices. The notice addresses in Section 12 of the Agreement are hereby updated as follows:

COUNTY: Scott Arneson
Goodhue County Administrator
509 West Fifth Street

Red Wing, MN 55066

MAYO: Administrator
Division of Anatomic Pathology
Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathology
Mayo Clinic
200 First Street SW
Rochester, MN 55905

With a copy to:
General Counsel
200 First Street SW
Rochester, MN 55905

5. Full Force and Effect. Except as amended hereby, the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
6. Counterparts. This Fourth Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which will be an original, but all of which will constitute one and the same instrument.
7. Effective Date. This Fourth Amendment shall be effective as of January 1, 2027.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Fourth Amendment as of the respective dates noted below.

Mayo Clinic
d/b/a Southern Minnesota Regional
Medical Examiner's Office

County of Goodhue, State of Minnesota

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Acknowledged by:

By: _____
Ross R. Reichard, M.D.
Title: Medical Examiner
Date: _____