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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Authorize Intermunicipal Agreements with Other Counties for Services Provided by the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body authorize intermunicipal agreements with various counties in New York State for the provision of comprehensive medicolegal death investigative and forensic pathology services by the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner for a one-year period to commence on or after January 1, 2024, with the option to renew for up to two (2) additional one-year terms of up to one year each, with any such renewals billed at the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule for the corresponding year.

Under the terms of the intermunicipal agreements, the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner performs autopsies and investigative field services, and conducts a variety of tests on an as-needed basis. The Office of the Medical Examiner will charge each county listed below a flat fee based on the prevailing rate, as established by Your Honorable Body and listed in the proposed 2024 Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner 2024 Fees and Charges Schedule, for services up to a specified number of cases. Cases above the specified number will be on a per-case basis, as will the provision of any additional special services excluded from the standard services. The agreement provides for a fixed number of case referrals for the contract amount. The amount paid for each agreement covers certain specified included services. Excluded services, as well as any cases referred over the fixed number of agreed to cases, are billed to the referring county separately. Fixed rates will be adjusted if extensions are accepted based on prevailing rates for the corresponding year.

County	2024 Amount
Genesee (52 cases)	\$100,200
Livingston (33 cases)	\$52,925
Ontario (16 cases)	\$26,100
Orleans (19 cases)	\$37,400
Wyoming (36 cases)	\$58,100

Those counties not currently under contract with Monroe County seeking these services will be billed at the prevailing rate, as established by Your Honorable Body and listed in the proposed 2024 Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner 2024 Fees and Charges Schedule, with any such renewals billed at the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule for the corresponding year.

The specific legislative actions required are:

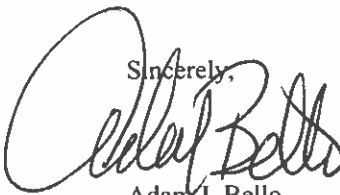
1. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with Genesee County for the provision of medicolegal death investigative services and forensic pathology services by the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner in an amount not to exceed \$100,200 for up to 52 cases per year for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, with services excluded from the standard services and cases above the contracted number to be billed on a per-case basis pursuant to the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule, and with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year terms, with any such renewals billed at the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule for the corresponding year.
2. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with Livingston County for the provision of medicolegal death investigative services and forensic pathology services by the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner in an amount not to exceed \$52,925 for up to 33 cases per year for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, with services excluded from the standard services and cases above the contracted number to be billed on a per-case basis pursuant to the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule, and with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year terms, with any such renewals billed at the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule for the corresponding year.
3. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with Ontario County for the provision of medicolegal death investigative services and forensic pathology services by the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner in an amount not to exceed \$26,100 for up to 16 cases per year for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, with services excluded from the standard services and cases above the contracted number to be billed on a per-case basis pursuant to the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule, and with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year terms, with any such renewals billed at the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule for the corresponding year.
4. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with Orleans County for the provision of medicolegal death investigative services and forensic pathology services by the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner in an amount not to exceed \$37,400 for up to 19 cases per year for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, with services excluded from the standard services and cases above the contracted number to be billed on a per-case basis pursuant to the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule, and with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year terms, with any such renewals billed at the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule for the corresponding year.
5. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with Wyoming County for the provision of medicolegal death investigative services and forensic pathology services by the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner in an amount not to exceed \$58,100 for up to 36 cases per year for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, with services excluded from the standard services and cases above the contracted number to be billed on a per-case basis pursuant to the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule, and with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year terms, with any such renewals billed at the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule for the corresponding year.

6. Authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with various other counties in New York State not currently under contract with Monroe County, for the provision of medicolegal death investigative services and forensic pathology services by the Monroe County Office of the Medical Examiner on an as-needed basis, invoiced at the prevailing rate as specified in the proposed 2024 Monroe County Budget, for a one-year period to commence on or after January 1, 2024, with the option to renew for up to two (2) additional terms of up to one year each, with any such renewals billed at the Monroe County Budget Public Health – Medical Examiner Fees and Charges Schedule for the corresponding year.

This action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(26) (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”) and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

These intermunicipal agreements are revenue generating and no additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,


Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive

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