

ENROLLED ORDINANCE 176-88

MODIFY THE 2022 MEDICAL EXAMINER BUDGET FOR ADDITIONAL TRANSPORT FEE REVENUES
TO RECOVER THE COST OF DECEDENT TRANSPORTATION AND INCREASE PERSONNEL
COSTS FOR TEMPORARY EXTRA HELP PATHOLOGIST SUPPORT

WHEREAS § 979.01 Wisconsin Statutes mandates the Medical Examiner's Office to investigate deaths to ensure the safety, health, and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS the Waukesha County's Medical Examiner's Office is experiencing a significant increase in examination cases, which started in the past several years and has continued into 2021; and

WHEREAS the Medical Examiner's Office currently has 2.00 FTE forensic pathologists to perform autopsies and external exams and certify death certificates; and

WHEREAS there is a need to hire forensic pathologist support as temporary extra help to assist with the increasing caseload and to provide stability to the Medical Examiner's Office; and

WHEREAS the Medical Examiner's Office is requesting County Board authorization during the December 2021 ordinance cycle to establish a fee estimated to generate \$81,600 to recover the cost of transporting decedents from death scenes or health care facilities to the Waukesha County morgue; and

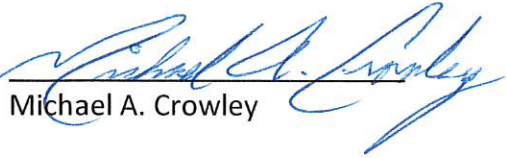
WHEREAS the cost of transporting decedents is already funded with tax levy in the 2022 base budget, and this new revenue source frees up tax levy resources, or \$81,600, to help fund needed temporary extra help pathologist coverage.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WAUKESHA ORDAINS that the Medical Examiner's Office 2022 budget be modified by increasing charges for services by \$81,600 and increasing personnel cost appropriations by \$81,600.

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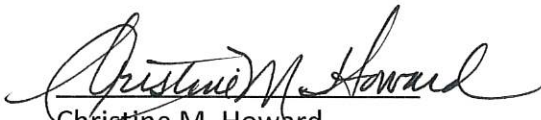
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Judiciary & Law Enforcement Committee

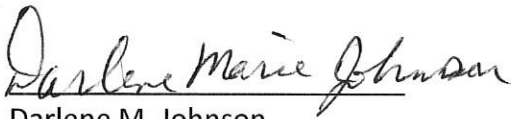

Peter M. Wolff, Chair


Michael A. Crowley

Absent

Tyler J. Foti

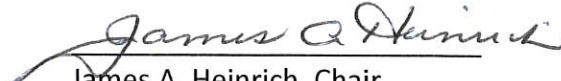

Christine M. Howard



Darlene M. Johnson


Jacob LaFontain


Larry Nelson

Approved By:
Finance Committee


James A. Heinrich, Chair

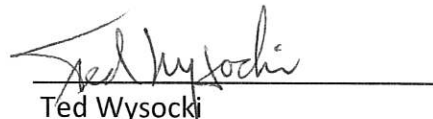

Tyler J. Foti


Joel R. Gaughan


Thomas A. Michalski


Larry Nelson


Duane E. Paulson


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The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, was presented to the County Executive on:

Date: 12/22/21, 
Margaret Wartman, County Clerk

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

Approved: X

Vetoed: _____

Date: 12/22/2021, 
Paul Farrow, County Executive

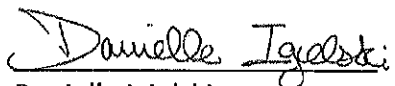
FISCAL NOTE

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This ordinance increases the charges for service revenue budget by \$81,600 to account for a new transport fee being considered by the County Board during the December 2021 ordinance cycle for implementation beginning on January 1, 2022. This new revenue source would recover the cost of transporting decedents from death scenes or health care facilities to the Waukesha County morgue. Because these transport costs (e.g., deputy medical examiner staff time, vehicle costs) are already included in the base budget and covered with tax levy, this new revenue source frees up base tax levy resources to fund additional temporary extra help pathologist support that the department indicates is needed due to increasing caseloads.

This ordinance increases the personnel cost budget by \$81,600 for the additional temporary extra help (mentioned above), estimated to cover 0.28 FTE in pathologist support coverage. This additional staffing will be filled with a temporary, non-benefited position and does not require County Board action for the creation of a regular part-time position.


This ordinance would not result in a direct tax levy impact overall.



Danielle Igielski
Accounting Services Manager
11/30/2021
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VOTING RESULTS

AYE 23 NAY 0 ABSTAIN | ABSENT 2

 Passed With 16 Yes Votes Needed

Ordinance 176-O-092: Modify the 2022 Medical Exami...

Ordinance 176-O-092

D1 - Foti	AYE	D14 - Mommaerts	AYE
D2 - Zimmermann	AYE	D15 - Mitchell	AYE
D3 - Morris	AYE	D16 - Crowlev	AYE
D4 - Batzko	AYE	D17 - Paulson	AYE
D5 - Dondlinger	AYE	D18 - Nelson	AYE
D6 - Walz	AYE	D19 - Vacant	ABSENT
D7 - LaFontain	AYE	D20 - Schellinger	AYE
D8 - Michalski	AYE	D21 - Gaughan	AYE
D9 - Heinrich	AYE	D22 - Wysocki	AYE
D10 - Swan	AYE	D23 - Hammitt	AYE
D11 - Howard	AYE	D24 - Whitrow	ABSENT
D12 - Wolff	AYE	D25 - Johnson	AYE
D13 - Decker	AYE		

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