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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: December 10, 2019

DATE: November 20, 2019

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Laura D. Knight, M.D., Chief Medical Examiner and Coroner

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve amendment to the existing agreement between Washoe County and Nevada Donor Network for use of the Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office facility for postmortem tissue donation for a period of three years, with revenues totaling [$569,964], effective December 10, 2019. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

The Regional Medical Examiner's Office requests that the Board approve an amendment to the existing agreement between Washoe County and Nevada Donor Network for use of the Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office facility for postmortem tissue donation for a period of three years, with revenues totaling $569,964, effective December 10, 2019.

Washoe County Strategic Objectives supported by this item:

Safe, secure and healthy communities

Regional and community leadership

Proactive economic development and diversification

PREVIOUS ACTION

September 26, 2017 – Board action to approve agreement with Nevada Donor Network

BACKGROUND

In September 2017, the Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office (WCRMEO) negotiated an agreement with Nevada Donor Network (NDN) to allow use of the WCRMEO facility for postmortem tissue procurement. Since that time, the program has been successful. More donors have been procured than initial estimates. Due to the increased volume of cases, the WCMREO negotiated an amendment to the existing agreement that increases fees paid to Washoe County.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

FISCAL IMPACT

If approved, all revenues generated by this amendment will be deposited to 153011-460342 (Medical Examiner-Tissue Agreement Revenue).

The Regional Medical Examiner's Office anticipates revenues generated by this amendment to be: Fiscal Year 2020-$76,476; Fiscal Year 2021/$178,188; Fiscal Year 2022/$208,506; and Fiscal Year 2023/$106,794 (first six months). Future fiscal year appropriations will be incorporated during the applicable fiscal year budget process.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve amendment to the existing agreement between Washoe County and Nevada Donor Network for use of the Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office facility for postmortem tissue donation for a period of three years, with revenues totaling [$569,964], effective December 10, 2019.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve amendment to the existing agreement between Washoe County and Nevada Donor Network for use of the Washoe County Regional Medical Examiner's Office facility for postmortem tissue donation for a period of three years, with revenues totaling [$569,964], effective December 10, 2019."