



# County of San Mateo

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

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**Department:** CORONER

**File #:** 21-424

Board Meeting Date: 6/8/2021

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**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors  
**From:** Robert J. Foucrault, Coroner, San Mateo County Coroner  
**Subject:** Continuation of Forensic Pathology Contracts

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Controller to continue payment on certain forensic pathology contracts from July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021.

**BACKGROUND:**

The San Mateo County Coroner's Office has in place three contracts for forensic pathology services that will expire on or before June 30, 2021 and the renegotiation of these contracts is pending completion. These contracts, listed in Attachment A to the Resolution ("Attachment A"), will be submitted as new agreements or for extensions by the end of September 2021.

**DISCUSSION:**

To ensure continued provision of the contracted services during the interim period between July 1, 2021 and September 30, 2021, the Coroner's Office requests that the Board of Supervisors authorize the Controller to continue to make payments under the contracts listed on Attachment A at the current contracted rates through September 30, 2021. The proposed Resolution allows payments to contractors who provide necessary services in a timely fashion and will allow the Coroner's Office time needed to complete negotiations for new or extended contracts. Aside from the maximum payment term provision (which, for all three agreements, terminates June 30, 2021), all terms and conditions of each agreement subject to the Resolution, including with respect to payment rates, shall remain in effect during the time period authorized by this Resolution.

The resolution has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funds for the cost of these contracts will be funded by the County General Fund and will be included in the Coroner FY 2021-22 Recommended Budget.