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MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
County Council

FROM: Daniel Goger, Project Manager
Through: Rob Ney, Project & Operations Manager

RE: Moles Lease for Temporary Morgue Space

DATE: July 13, 2023

Attached for your review and signature is the lease agreement between Lengosot LLC and Whatcom County for the use of the Moles Farewell Tributes and Crematory facility, located at 2465 Lakeway Drive, Bellingham WA 98229.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

This lease is for the purposes of temporarily leasing facility space for the purposes of Morgue services while the existing Morgue is under construction for the Way Station project

This lease agreement will allow for unrestricted access to the identified premises that include a medical examination room with an examination table, lift and adequate ventilation, space to accommodate two work stations for the autopsy technicians and other areas that will allow the Medical Examiner to perform her work with little disruption.

The lease is expected to run through March, 2024. There is also an option to renew for three months should the Way Station construction be delayed.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding for this lease will be through the General Fund portion of the Way Station Project Budget.

Costs for the contract are based upon the number of autopsies performed. The base rent of \$250 per autopsy performed in the Premises and additional \$50.00 transportation cost per trip for additional cooler storage space.

- **Differences from Previous Contract**

This lease is new, there is no previous contract.

Please contact Daniel Goger at extension 5378 or Tawni Helms at extension 5208, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.

Enclosures