



memorandum

TO: Whatcom County Council

FROM: Rob Ney, Facilities Manager

DATE: May 10, 2024

RE: Moles Funeral Home Lease Extension

BACKGROUND:

In July 2023, Whatcom County entered into an agreement with Lengoset, LLC for the temporary lease of their operations room for the purpose of performing autopsies. John Moles graciously agreed to lease the space for an initial term of 6 months with the option to renew for another 3 months. The option to renew was agreed to and that extended term will expire the end of May. The State Street building where the Morgue and Medical Examiner Office is located is being renovated and the construction project has been delayed for unforeseen reasons. The current timeline is for the project to be completed by September, 2024. We are hopeful that will be accomplished but have factored in an additional three months should another delay be realized.

This amendment extends the lease through December 31, 2024. The likelihood is that the State Street building will be completed sooner.

FUND SOURCE:

The fund source is the State Street Project Budget.