Agenda Item: Consider amendment and restatement of agreement with Johnson County to provide support to the opioid antagonist protocol within the City of Westwood

Background/Description of Item

State law governs administration of emergency opioid antagonists (e.g. Narcan) without a prescription. Statute requires that a first responder to whom the emergency opioid antagonist is dispensed have some training and an opioid antagonist protocol signed by a doctor. Johnson County offers to cities the use of its staff EMS System Medical Director to meet the statutory requirements for Westwood Police Department staff to lawfully administer emergency opioid antagonists (e.g. Narcan), and the City of Westwood has had an established partnership with the County in this way since 2019.

This amendment and restatement of the agreement is before the City Council now to remove reference to a specific person as the medical director and to ensure the language is as clear, concise, and correct is possible.

Staff Comments/Recommendation

The County Attorney's Office is currently working across the county to amend and restate these agreements. The City Attorney has reviewed this agreement and has provided no requested nor required modifications to the document.

City staff recommends the City Council authorize the City Administrator to execute this agreement on behalf of the City.

Budget Impact

N/A

Suggested Motion

I move to authorize the City Administrator to execute the Amendment and Restatement of Agreement with Johnson County to Provide Support to the Opioid Antagonist Protocol within the City of Westwood.