

Resolution No. 22-100

Resolution Establishing a Governance Structure for Opioid Remediation Funds

WHEREAS, Yellowstone County has entered into settlement of claims against manufacturers, distributors, and others in the opioid pharmaceutical supply chain (hereafter "Opioid Litigation");

WHEREAS, in particular, Yellowstone County has resolved litigation against certain specific defendants in the Opioid Litigation and joined a settlement agreement process with the Montana Attorney General and other Montana local government entities to ensure a fair and transparent process for making decisions on how to use Opioid Litigation settlement funds in the best interests of the citizens of Yellowstone County and the State of Montana and based on sound medical and scientific evidence;

WHEREAS, this settlement agreement process is memorialized in a Memorandum of Understanding with the Attorney General, other participating Montana local government entities, and Yellowstone County, dated November 26, 2021, a copy of which is attached to this resolution (hereafter "MOU");

WHEREAS, the MOU sets out the allocation, management, and use of Opioid Litigation settlement funds that the State of Montana and local government entities, including Yellowstone County, will follow;

WHEREAS, the MOU requires that Yellowstone County establish a governance structure for the administration, management, and use of those Opioid Litigation settlement funds that Yellowstone County is entitled to receive under the MOU; and

WHEREAS the MOU requires that Yellowstone County designate a fiscal agent to receive Opioid Litigation settlement funds allocated to it.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Yellowstone County Board of County Commissioners shall serve as the governing board for the administration, management, and use of Opioid Litigation settlement funds that Yellowstone County receives; and

Be it further resolved that the County Attorney of Yellowstone County shall serve as the Authorized Official for Yellowstone County for purposes of communication with the National Opioid Settlement Administrator; and

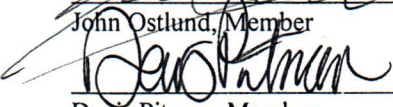
Be it further resolved that the Chief Financial Officer of Yellowstone County shall serve as the Fiscal Agent for Yellowstone County as it relates to Opioid Litigation settlement funds and the MOU and may on behalf of the Board, submit claims, requests for disbursements, accountings of spending and any other financial reports or matters as it relates to these funds.

Dated this, 29th date of November 2022.

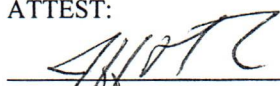
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