ITEM REQUIRING COUNTY MANAGER APPROVAL PER CHARTER RESOLUTION 65 DECEMBER 9, 2016

1. CREMATION SERVICES -- REGIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER FUNDING -- REGIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER

(Request sent to 23 vendors)

RFB #16-0080 Contract

	Preferred Mortuary Services
1. Cremation and storage for unclaimed person	\$450.00
No Bid	Downing & Lahey Mortuaries

The recommendation of Purchasing and Regional Forensic Science Center is to **accept** the bid from Preferred Mortuary Services and establish contract pricing for three (3) years with two (2) one (1) year options to renew.

Cremation services will be provided for unclaimed bodies of persons who die in Sedgwick County. A body shall be considered unclaimed if no family, next of kin or responsible party can be identified or located following a diligent search, or if no directions for disposition of body are made by any family, next of kin or responsible party within a timeframe deemed reasonable by the District Coroner. In 2015, Sedgwick County had 19 unclaimed persons.

Vendors were contacted to see why they chose not to respond and the reasons given were: Chose not to bid due to business decisions and others stated that they were already pretty busy with non-trade work.