RESOLUTION ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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County Board Staff Committee SUBMITTED BY



Corporation Counsel Richard Greenlee DRAFTED BY

March 5, 2019 DATE DRAFTED

AGENDA NO. 12.C.(1)

CREATING AN AD HOC HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Rock County currently provides a health insurance plan to 1,175 Rock County employees 1 and retirees, providing health benefits to over 3,500 individuals; and 2

WHEREAS, Rock County's employees, retirees and their families rely on the health insurance provided by Rock County to ensure their health and financial security; and

WHEREAS, Rock County has historically provided excellent health insurance benefits through a selfinsurance program, with a robust provider network, but is facing an unprecedented escalation in the costs associated with providing health insurance; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary for the County to explore alternatives to the current health insurance plan design and delivery model in order to ensure that the County is delivering high quality health insurance and exceptional benefits in a sustainable and affordable manner; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide the Rock County Board of Supervisors with the most full and complete information, a committee of stakeholders should be formed to review the options for health insurance for 2020 and report back to the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 14th day of March 2019, that a one-year Health Insurance Plan Advisory Committee shall be established to review options presented to it by the County Administrator for purchasing or administering a health insurance benefit program for Rock County employees, and to provide comments and recommendations to the Rock County Board of Supervisors for its consideration on selection of such a benefit program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Administrator is directed to establish a process to solicit and select employees to recommend for appointment to the Committee, who shall be confirmed by the County Board, and that such employees shall number no more than fifteen and represent a diverse cross section of Rock County employees, with consideration given to achieve representation from a diverse set of experiences and viewpoints by having representatives of as many different employee types, positions, wage scales and departments as possible with priority given to achieving representation from the largest departments; the terms of the employee committee members shall commence on the day of the first meeting of the Health Insurance Plan Advisory Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board chair shall appoint three members of the Rock County Board of Supervisors to the Committee in a manner consistent with RULE IV, subsections G. & H. of the Rock County Board of Supervisors Rules of Procedure.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Human Resources Director, or his or her designee, as well as a representative from Rock County's contracted employee benefits consultants shall be ex officio, nonvoting members of the Committee.

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Respectfully submitted:

J. Russell Podzilni, Chair

Mary Mawhinney, Vice Chair

Richard Bostwick

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FISCAL NOTE:

Per County Board Rule IV-C, County Board Supervisors who are members of additional, special, single purpose or ad hoc committees are eligible for per meeting allowances and mileage reimbursement.

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to sections 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats., as well as Rule IV-C of the County Board Rules.

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ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

It is important for the County to receive input from its employees on the health insurance program. If the County Board chooses to gather that input through an advisory committee, it will have to determine the appropriate number of members, composition and role of the group.

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County Administrator