

Ordinance No. 38 -2012
Ordinance to Establish Fees for Unfunded Services
Required by the Child Support Program Contract

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.53, Polk County must administer the Wisconsin child support program at a local level consistent with the terms and provisions of a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.53 and consistent with the term and provisions of said contract, the Polk County Child Support Agency (hereafter "CSA") provides federally funded child support enforcement services under a program known as IVD (pronounced 4-D), and IVD cases are worked by CSA staff to establish paternity, child support obligations and enforcement as a result of a referral to CSA by the Department of Human Services because the parties to the case are receiving public assistance or because the customer applied for CSA services, and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 59.53 and consistent with the term and provisions of said contract, the CSA also provides certain unfunded mandated services to NIVD (pronounced non-4-D) cases where there is not an application for CSA services and/or where there is no public assistance being received by the parties in the case; and

WHEREAS, although attorneys typically represent the parties in NIVD cases, the cases are entered into the KIDS system by CSA for tracking financial billing and payments, but CSA receives no Federal reimbursement for work conducted on these types of cases; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that work conducted on NIVD cases costs the CSA approximately \$5,000.00 per year, and if fees were charged to NIVD clients for certain services, the resulting revenues would offset such amount as well as provide NIVD clients an incentive to enroll in the IVD program, thereby reducing county subsidization of unfunded mandated services; and

WHEREAS, the movement of more NIVD cases to the IVD caseload is beneficial to CSA beyond the cost of payment for services because NIVD cases are statistically better paying cases and this would have a positive effect on agency performance goals, and further, the increase in the IVD caseload size would provide the CSA with a larger percentage of federal incentive funds thereby reducing the program reliance on county levy; and,

WHEREAS, counties may elect to charge a fee for NIVD services and selective IVD services, specifically, providing payment histories and your undersigned committee does believe it is in the best interest of Polk County to adopt the fee schedule that is attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Polk County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows:

1. The Child Support Agency shall charge the following fees for the below-described services:

- a) Account reconciliation with certification of arrears in NIVD cases: \$35.00 for each year certified.
 - b) Printed payment history in all cases, both IVD and NIVD: \$35.00 for each request.
 - c) Certified copy of payment history in NIVD cases: \$35.00 for each year certified.
 - d) Sending income withholding order in NIVD cases: \$35.00 for each order sent.
 - e) Credit account for direct payments in NIVD cases: \$35.00 for each request.
2. These fees shall be effective on October 1, 2012.
 3. The fees established above may be revised as appropriate by resolution of the Polk County Board of Supervisors when adopting the county budget pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 65.90.

Funding Amount: Fee revenue in the estimated amount of \$900.00 per fiscal year will result from adoption and implementation of this ordinance.

Funding Source: User Fees

Date Finance Committee Advised: Not Applicable

Finance Committee Recommendation: Not Applicable

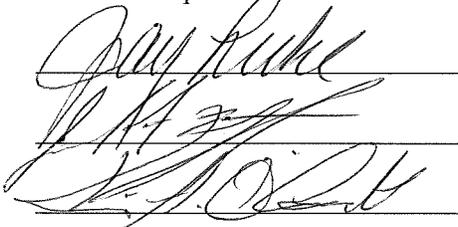
Effective Date: Upon Passage and Publication – Prospective to October 1, 2012

Date Submitted to County Board: August 21, 2012

Public Hearing: September 18, 2012

County Board Action: adopted by unanimous voice vote

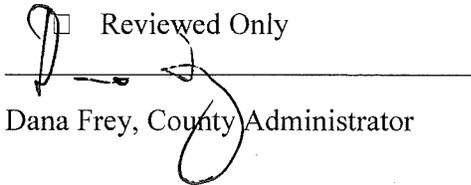
Submitted upon recommendation by Polk County Public Protection and Judicial Committee





Review By County Administrator:

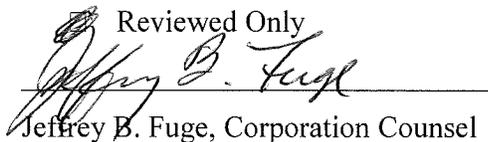
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- Reviewed Only



 Dana Frey, County Administrator

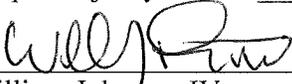
Review By Corporation Counsel:

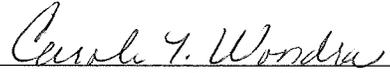
- Approved as to Form
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 Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel

After public hearing during the regular business meeting on September 18, 2012, the Polk County Board of Supervisors enacted the above-entitled ordinance, Ordinance No. 38-12: Ordinance to Establish Fees for Unfunded Services Required by the Child Support Program Contract, by a simple majority vote of _____ in favor and _____ against. *by unanimous voice vote*


William Johnson, IV
County Board Chairperson

Attest: 
Carole Wondra, County Clerk

Certification of Publication:

Ordinance No. 38 -12: Ordinance to Establish Fees for Unfunded Services Required by the Child Support Program Contract, was published in the Inter-County Leader on the 3rd day of Oct, 2012.

 Dated: 5 - 10 - 12
Carole Wondra, County Clerk

CERTIFIED COPY OF THE POLK COUNTY ORDINANCE

I, Carole Wondra, Polk County Clerk do hereby certify that the attached hereto and incorporated herein is a full, true and correct copy of the Polk County Ordinance to Establish Fees for Unfunded Services Required by the Child Support Program Contract, adopted by the Polk County Board of Supervisors on the 18th day of September, 2012.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carole T. Wondra". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Carole T. Wondra, Polk County Clerk