



TO: Mayor Shaun Sipma
Members of the City Council

FROM: Chief John Klug

DATE: December 28, 2021

SUBJECT: CONTRACT FOR BOARDING CITY OF MINOT'S INMATES

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Recommend approval of the Contract of Boarding City of Minot's Inmates with Ward County, and
2. Authorize the Mayor and Finance Director to sign the contract.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS

John Klug, Chief of Police 857-9800

III. DESCRIPTION

A. Background

The Minot Police Department uses the Ward County Jail for holding all prisoners being held on criminal charges requiring bond or court appearance prior to release from custody. The City of Minot has contracted with Ward County as there is not another feasible option in the area for housing prisoners.

B. Proposed Project

This contract only has minor changes from the previous years. The fee schedule in this contract has been streamlined to remove fee variations and booking fees, resulting in a flat rate of \$65 per day for each inmate being held on Municipal Court charges.

IV. IMPACT:

A. Strategic Impact:

Continuing a contract with Ward County for housing of City of Minot's prisoners is the best option for continued police services in the City of Minot. Having a detention facility within

the city allows the police department to efficiently transport and transfer prisoners to Ward County Detention Center and return to providing further police protection.

B. Service/Delivery Impact:

N/A

C. Fiscal Impact:

2022 Budget - Prisoner Care \$170,000

V. ALTERNATIVES

Alt. 1 The Council could reject the contract as proposed and direct staff to seek potential changes in the contract.

VI. TIME CONSTRAINTS

The contract is written to take effect on January 1, 2022.

VII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

A. Contract for Boarding City of Minot's Inmates