ITEM # <u>15</u> DATE: 10-26-10

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: COMPLETION OF 09/10 WATER TREATMENT PLANT LIME SLUDGE DISPOSAL OPERATIONS

BACKGROUND:

On June 10, 2008, the City Council awarded a contract for Water Treatment Plant Lime Sludge Disposal Operations to Wulfekuhle Injection and Pumping of New Vienna, Iowa in the amount of \$316,220. This contract included the option of extending the contract up to a period of five years. The original completion date for lime sludge disposal operations occurring in 2009/10 was May 1, 2010.

Wulfekuhle Injection and Pumping has completed the lime excavation portion of the project required under the FY 2009/10 contract and has stockpiled the excavated lime at the land disposal sites for final disposal. The contract calls for payment of lime sludge disposal quantities only after the lime has been land-applied for final disposal. Final disposal on agricultural ground could not occur until after crops had been removed this fall. Therefore, payment was not made on a major portion of contract during the 2009/10 budget. The remaining funds from 2009/10 in the amount of \$166,051 have been carried over to the 2010/11 budget to cover final payment of the 2009/10 contract. A total of \$147,179.62 of the \$316,220 contract amount for 2009/10 has already been paid.

Work performed by Wulfekuhle Injection and Pumping for the 2009/10 contract has now been completed to staff's satisfaction. A purchase order for the 2010/11 contract has already been issued to Wulfekuhle Injection and Pumping.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Accept completion of the 2009/10 Lime Sludge Disposal Operations contract and release retainage to Wulfekuhle Injection and Pumping in accordance with the contract documents.
- 2. Do not accept completion of the 2009/10 Lime Sludge Disposal Operations at this time.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Work on the 2009/10 lime sludge disposal contract has now been completed, and funds for the final payment are available from the unspent 2009/10 lime disposal budget.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the Council approve Alternative #1, thereby accepting completion of the 2009/10 Water Plant Lime Sludge Disposal Operations contract and releasing retainage to Wulfekuhle Injection & Pumping in accordance with the contract documents.