

ITEM #: 23  
DATE: 06-27-23  
DEPT: PW

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: INCREASE PURCHASE ORDER FOR WASTE DISPOSAL OPERATIONS FOR RESOURCE RECOVERY**

**BACKGROUND:**

On June 28, 2022, City Council approved a contract for joint and cooperative action for waste disposal operations by Boone County and the City of Ames, Iowa. This agreement provides for establishing the tonnage rates (tipping fees) at each facility. The period from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, is the first of three 12-month contract periods.

The approved FY 2022/23 budget contains \$700,000 for this work. The amount approved was based on an estimate of 13,000 tons of material requiring disposal at the Boone County Landfill. Staff estimates the actual amount to be disposed by the end of June will be 15,185 tons, for an additional cost of \$120,000, bringing the amount of the current purchase order from \$700,000 to \$820,000.

**The additional funding required for this change order will come from the Resource Recovery Fund balance. Staff is reviewing the impacts of this change and on potential natural gas purchase scenarios at the Power Plant to determine if adjustments to the budget and/or fees will need to be made early in FY 2023/24.**

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve a change order to the purchase order in the amount of \$120,000.
2. Do not approve the change order.

**CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Coordinating with recent maintenance needs at the Power Plant has caused an increase in the amount of solid waste being hauled to Boone County Landfill. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as noted above.