

ITEM #: 13  
DATE: 06-11-24  
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**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: CHANGE IN CORPORATE OWNERSHIP OF CONSULTANT FOR FY 2023/24  
STORY COUNTY EDGE OF FIELD/WATERSHED-BASED NUTRIENT  
REDUCTION PROJECT - ENGINEERING SERVICES**

**BACKGROUND:**

On October 24, 2023, the City awarded a contract in the amount of \$70,080 to Sustainable Environment Consultants of West Des Moines, Iowa for Engineering Services related to the FY 2023/24 Story County Edge-of-Field Project. The City received notification that Sustainable Environment Consultants had a corporate restructuring and effective March 25, 2024, Sustainable Environment Consultants will be operating as Eocene Environmental Group, Inc. Any further work will be invoiced under the new company name.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Consent to the transfer of corporate ownership from Sustainable Environmental Consultants, West Des Moines, Iowa to Eocene Environmental Group, Inc., West Des Moines, Iowa. Any further payment for engineering services under this agreement will be made to Eocene Environmental Group, Inc., for the FY 2023/24 Edge of Project/Watershed-based Nutrient Reduction project.
2. Cancel the contract and complete the project with another consultant.

**CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

In order to facilitate this project with the least disruption, the City's FY 2023/24 Story County Edge-of-Field Project must continue to move forward with existing consultant and the City will consent to the transfer of corporate ownership. The project is beginning the bid phase of the work. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1 as stated above.