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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Brian Gabriel and Kenai City Council

THROUGH: Paul Ostrander, City Manager

FROM: Scott Curtin, Director of Public Works

DATE: January 11, 2022

SUBJECT: **Ordinance 3268-2022**

This Ordinance is to consolidate all fees associated with the disposal of Waste Water Sludge from the Treatment Plant and to provide additional funding to get through the current fiscal year.

Council may recall City staff previously hauled sludge to the landfill utilizing a city owned dump truck. That truck was removed from service in July due to needed repairs beyond the reasonable value of the truck. As a result a professional services agreement was sought and Alaska Waste was the winning proposer for the work.

The original purchase order issued to them only covered the hauling of the sludge to the landfill, we are now modifying that purchase order to include the disposal fees payable to Central Peninsula Landfill, and the City will no longer be paying the Landfill directly.

As a result the current Purchase Order to the Kenai Peninsula Borough may be reduced from \$28,500 to \$10,000. We are requesting Alaska Waste's Purchase Order is increased from \$30,000 to \$67,000 to cover the inclusion of the disposal fees.

An additional appropriation of \$18,500 is necessary to allow sufficient budget to get through the remainder of the fiscal year. As of January 1, 2022 the department has incurred \$37,434.25 in fees associated with the hauling and disposal of sludge.

The department continues to evaluate the cost and benefits with utilization of this service. Once the new screw press is installed later this summer and has been operational for six months staff should have sufficient data at that time to make a determination on whether continuing with the disposal service or purchasing of a new dump truck is in the best interest of the City.

Photo below shows the dumpsters in place. The smaller container shows the separation of the screenings which are very wet and previously added weight to the sludge. The services being provided are working as anticipated. Council's approval is respectfully requested.