



## Ocean County Board of Commissioners

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### Board Meeting Agenda

Date: August 20, 2025 - 4:00 PM  
Location: Administration Building  
Room 119  
101 Hooper Avenue  
Toms River, NJ 08754

Agenda: Awarding a Professional Services Contract to Simone Collins Landscape Architecture to provide Engineering Design Services for the Design and Permitting of Passive Recreation Improvements at the NJ Pulverizing Project Area, Berkeley Township, in an amount not to exceed \$1,098,300.00. (PP2025-85)

<b>Official Resolution#</b>	<b>2025001242</b>
Meeting Date	08/20/2025
Introduced Date	08/20/2025
Adopted Date	08/20/2025
Agenda Item	n-2
CAF #	
Purchase Req. #	PP2025-85
Result	Adopted

COUNTY COMMISSIONER	PRES.	ABS.	MOVE	SEC	AYE	NAY	ABST.
Kelly	✓				✓		
Sadeghi	✓				✓		
Arace	✓			✓	✓		
Bacchione	✓						✓
Haines	✓		✓		✓		

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS A TRUE, COMPLETE AND ACCURATE COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION, ADOPTED BY OCEAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, NJ AT THE MEETING REFERENCED THEREON

*Michelle I. Gunther*

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Clerk Of The Board

**RESOLUTION**

August 20, 2025

**WHEREAS**, on September 16, 2015, the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders approved the acquisition of various Blocks and Lots in the Township of Berkeley known as NJ Pulverizing, totaling approximately 775 acres located on Hickory Lane, by Resolution No. 2015001093; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 18, 2021, the Ocean County Board of Commissioners accepted the donation of Block 837, Lot 8.03, part of old Lot 8 in the Township of Berkeley, totaling approximately 40 acres located off Route 9 (Atlantic City Boulevard), adjacent to the NJ Pulverizing property, by Resolution No. 2021001195; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 4, 2023, the Ocean County Board of Commissioners approved the acquisition of Block 837, Lots 1, 3, 8, 13, 14, 15 & 16 in the Township of Berkeley, totaling approximately 26.67 acres, located on Route 9, adjacent to the NJ Pulverizing property, by Resolution #2023001428; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 8, 2025, the County of Ocean publicly solicited a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Engineering Design Services for the Design and Permitting of Passive Recreation Improvements at the NJ Pulverizing Project Area in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4; and

**WHEREAS**, seven (7) firms responded with written proposals, fee schedules, and associated documentation; and

**WHEREAS**, the responses received by an Evaluation Committee in accordance with the criteria approved by the Ocean County Board of Commissioners and set forth in the Request for Proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ocean County Planning Department and the Consultant Selection Review Committee have recommended that an Agreement for Engineering Design Services for the Design and Permitting of Passive Recreation Improvements at the NJ Pulverizing Project Area in Berkeley Township through the conceptual phase be awarded to Simone Collins Landscape Architecture on the basis of the quality of their proposal and the cost of the same as set forth therein; and

**WHEREAS**, funding shall be made available from the Ocean County Natural Lands Trust Fund Account No. 225-155-0151, in an amount not to exceed \$1,098,300.00; and

**WHEREAS**, this Agreement is awarded in compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) of the Local Public Contracts Law and N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., the New Jersey "Pay to Play" Law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**, as follows:

1. The Director and Clerk of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to enter into and execute an Agreement with Simone Collins Landscape Architecture, 119 East Lafayette Street, Norristown, PA 19401 to provide Engineering Design Services for the Design and Permitting of Passive Recreation Improvements at the NJ Pulverizing Project Area through the conceptual phase with funding available in the Ocean County Natural Lands Trust Fund Account No. 225-155-0151, in an amount not to exceed \$1,098,300.00.

2. This agreement is awarded as a Professional Services Contract in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:11-5 of the Local Public Contracts Law, as the services required in connection with this agreement are specialized and qualitative in nature and constitute professional services.
3. A notice of this action shall be published once as required by law.
4. The contract number must be placed on all papers, documents, invoices and vouchers pertaining to this Agreement.
5. A certified copy of this Resolution, together with a copy of the fully executed Agreement, shall be maintained on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners during normal business hours.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this Resolution shall be made available to the Ocean County Auditor, Purchasing Department, Finance Department, Planning Department, Parks and Recreation Department, Engineering Department, and Simone Collins Landscape Architecture.