

RESOLUTION

November 19, 2025

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2025, pursuant to legal advertisements therefor, sealed bids were received for the furnishing and delivery of FORGE POND GOLF COURSE TREE REMOVAL PROJECT 2025-2026 for the County of Ocean; and

WHEREAS, at the advertised time, responses were received from the following bidders:

<u>Name and Address of Bidder</u>	<u>Name and Address of Bidder</u>
Downes Tree Service Co., Inc. 65 Royal Avenue Hawthorne, NJ 07506 (973) 238-9800	Aspen Tree Expert Company, Inc. 671 Wright Debow Road Jackson, NJ 08527 (732) 928-5747
Good Tree & Stump Removal, Inc. 390 Toms River Road Jackson, NJ 08527 (732) 575-3314	Joseph McIlvaine Tree and Lawn Service 428 Philmont Avenue Feasterville, PA 19053 (215) 322-8394

; and

WHEREAS, the Consulting Architect has now recommended to this Board that the lowest qualified bidder, according to the specifications, namely that of DOWNES TREE SERVICE CO., INC., be accepted for a Total Lump Sum Award (Item Nos. 100-200.18) in the amount of \$338,675.00 plus Unit Item Nos. 200.19, 200.20, 200.21, 200.22, 200.23, 200.24, 200.25, 200.26, 800.1, 800.2 and 800.3 to be utilized on an as-needed basis at the County's sole discretion.

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 this Board are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Downes Tree Services Co., Inc., accepting their bid for the Forge Pond Golf Course Tree Removal Project 2025-2026, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Stephen Kay, Golf Course Architect LLC. **The total Time for Completion shall be within 135 CALENDAR DAYS of Notice to Proceed. Project to start on or about December 1, 2025.**

2. The Department of Finance has certified that funds are available in Account Number 301-250-X523 in the amount of \$338,675.00 to cover the contract and any Unit Item Nos. and shall be encumbered against the Appropriation.

3. Payments for the materials and services to be acquired by these contracts shall be made upon the approval of vouchers submitted by the successful bidders in accordance with the requirements of the Board of Commissioners and subject to the Board of Commissioners customary procedures. Delivery shall be made upon receipt of a Purchase Order issued by the Ocean County Department of Purchase, upon which delivery locations and needed quantities shall be indicated.

4. The contract number must be placed on all papers, documents, invoices and vouchers pertaining to said contract, the number being B2025-178CA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution shall be made available to the County Auditor, Purchasing Department, Finance Department, Parks Department and Downes Tree Service Co., Inc., the successful bidder.

[DOWNES TREE SERVICE CO., INC.] RESPONSE DOCUMENT REPORT
 Construction BID No. OCPKS102825
 FORGE POND GOLF COURSE TREE REMOVAL PROJECT 2025-2026

Line Item	Description	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Unit Cost	Total
200.15	Tree Removal #15 Hole	1	LS	\$24,650.00	\$24,650.00
200.16	Tree Removal #16 Hole	1	LS	\$9,475.00	\$9,475.00
200.17	Tree Removal #17 Hole	1	LS	\$25,375.00	\$25,375.00
200.18	Tree Removal #18 Hole	1	LS	\$12,325.00	\$12,325.00
TOTAL					\$338,675.00

UNIT PRICES FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES, AS NEEDED

Prices listed below shall apply to additional trees and related services beyond the scope of the base bid. These items are not included in the base bid total but will be awarded to the same vendor awarded the base bid. To be considered responsive, bidders must provide pricing for all listed items. Optional items will be awarded as part of the contract and utilized on an as-needed basis at the County's discretion.

Line Item	Description	Unit of Measure	Unit Cost
✓ 200.19	Tree Removal -24" diameter and more	EA	\$1,600.00
✓ 200.20	Tree Removal -18" diameter to 23"	EA	\$1,200.00
✓ 200.21	Tree Removal -12" diameter to 17"	EA	\$900.00
✓ 200.22	Tree Removal - 8" diameter to 11"	EA	\$600.00
✓ 200.23	Grinding Stump - 24" diameter to more	EA	\$350.00
✓ 200.24	Grinding Stump - 18" diameter to 23"	EA	\$250.00

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✓ 200.25	Grinding Stump - 12" diameter to 17	EA	\$200.00
✓ 200.26	Grinding Stump - 8" diameter to 11"	EA	\$150.00
✓ 800.1	Seeding & Mulching Rough	SQ. FT.	\$3.00
✓ 800.2	Mulching Rough	SQ. FT.	\$2.00
✓ 800.3	Load, Haul, Place & Spread Topsoil	CU. YD.	\$50.00