



Ocean County Board of Commissioners

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Board Meeting Agenda

Date: November 5, 2025 - 4:00 PM
Location: Administration Building
Room 119
101 Hooper Avenue
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Agenda: Awarding a one (1) year Competitive Contract extension to John R. Soper, Jr. MA LPC and Clinical Associate, LLC to provide continued Special Needs/Sex Offender Treatment Services, for the period of 1/1/2026 through 12/31/2026, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, contingent upon adoption of the 2026 Temporary County Budget. (CC2023-161)

Official Resolution#	2025001581
Meeting Date	11/05/2025
Introduced Date	11/05/2025
Adopted Date	11/05/2025
Agenda Item	I-6
CAF #	
Purchase Req. #	CC2023-161
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

Clerk Of The Board

RESOLUTION

November 5, 2025

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2023, a Competitive Contract was awarded to John R. Soper Jr., MA, NCC, LPC, & Clinical Associates, LLC to provide **SPECIAL NEEDS/SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT SERVICES**; and

WHEREAS, the term of the Agreement was for the period of twelve (12) months commencing on January 1, 2024 and expiring on December 31, 2024, with the option to renew the contract up to four (4) additional twelve-month periods or as otherwise directed by the New Jersey Youth Justice Commission based on positive monitoring, submission of required reports, approval of each year's contract by the Youth Services Commission and pending the availability and appropriation of sufficient funds to meet the obligations of Ocean County hereunder; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need to provide Special Needs/Sex Offender Treatment Services as proposed by the 2026 Comprehensive Youth Services Commission Plan approved by the Ocean County Youth Services Commission on August 7th, 2025; and

WHEREAS, John R. Soper Jr., MA, NCC, LPC, & Clinical Associates, LLC has completed positive monitoring for the CY 2025 and was recommended for renewal of the CY 2026 by the Youth Services Commission on August 7th, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the County now desires to exercise the option to extend the agreement for the 2nd, optional one-year period with said vendor, John R. Soper Jr., MA, NCC, LPC, & Clinical Associates, LLC, for the term of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. The terms of the contract shall remain the same as the original awarded contract CC2023-161; and

WHEREAS, funding is available in the amount of \$50,000.00, contingent upon the adoption of the 2026 Temporary Budget, which shall be appropriated from account number 017-819-AE31 to cover the cost of the 2026 contract; and

WHEREAS, the County reserves the right to terminate this contract at any time during the contract term if sufficient funds are not available and appropriated to cover the cost of same.

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 the Clerk of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to enter into and execute an Agreement with John R. Soper Jr., MA, NCC, LPC, & Clinical Associates, LLC, 615 Hope Road Bldg. 1A, Eatontown, NJ 07724, in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the provision of the services set forth above.

2. The term of this Agreement will be for a period of twelve (12) months commencing on January 1, 2026 and expiring on December 31, 2026.

3. Copies of the Resolution together with a copy of the Agreement for such services set forth above shall be placed on file and be kept available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Board during normal business hours.

4. The contract number must be placed on all papers, documents, invoices and vouchers pertaining to this action, the number being CC2023-161.

5. The Director and the Clerk of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute any necessary subsequent related documents.

6. A notice of this action shall be published once as required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution shall be made available to Ocean County Counsel, County Administrator, County Auditor, Department of Finance, Department of Juvenile Services, Youth Services Commission, and John R. Soper Jr., MA, NCC, LPC, & Clinical Associates, LLC.