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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council
From: Deanna Stockton, *Deputy Administrator/Municipal Engineer*
Taylor Sapudar, *Municipal Arborist*
Subject: **BID AWARD RECOMMENDATION FOR THE PRINCETON FALL 2025 TREE PLANTING PROJECT**
Date: September 17, 2025

The Department of Infrastructure & Operations received five (5) bids for the Princeton Fall 2025 Tree Planting Project. The lowest bidder is Sunset Creations, Inc. 355 Route 601 Belle Mead, NJ 08502 with a total bid of \$62,845.00.

Annually, the Department issues spring and fall bids for the planting of trees in municipal rights of way and other municipally-owned public lands. The Fall 2025 planting project will replace trees that were in poor condition due to environmental factors, replace trees that have declined due to the emerald ash borer infestation, and replace trees that have declined due to bacterial leaf scorch. Block planting will occur on Cherry Hill Road, Cherry Valley Road, Farrand Road, Birch Avenue, Witherspoon Street, and Hunter Road. In addition to block planting, various locations throughout the Municipality will be planted to accommodate trees removed throughout 2024 and 2025. A total of 146 trees will be planted.

Staff has evaluated the proposal and the accompanying documentation and recommend award of the Princeton Fall 2025 Tree Planting contract to Sunset Creations, Inc for the not to exceed amount of \$62,845.00.