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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and Council

From: Deanna Stockton, Deputy Administrator

Subject: T & M Associates Professional Services Agreement for the Princeton Landfill

Date: May 7, 2025

Attached for Council's approval at its May 12, 2025 meeting is a professional services agreement with T & M Associates for design and construction services related to the Princeton landfill drainage improvement project.

T & M Associates has been under various contracts with Princeton since at least 2015 to assist with the solar array permitting on the landfill, to address drainage issues related to the landfill cap, and to conduct the annual landfill reporting required by NJDEP. In October 2016, T&M and Princeton entered into a contract to prepare plans, specifications, and environmental permit applications to make improvements to the drainage affecting the landfill cap. Subsequent amendments to the contract were approved by council to provide additional funds to complete this general scope of work and to modify the Landfill Closure and Post-Closure Plan. In order to satisfy the various county and state agencies with oversight on a drainage improvement project on a landfill within the Delaware and Raritan Canal Commission jurisdiction, T&M has undertaken multiple versions of design, stormwater calculations and permit applications. In 2022, Princeton purchased credits from the Cranberry mitigation bank (Greenvest) in order to receive a NJDEP permit. The remainder of the permit approvals were not forthcoming, and T&M undertook additional redesigns, Closure Plan updates, and permit application edits to get closer to gaining the necessary approvals to address the drainage issues at the landfill. In late December 2024, NJDEP approved the modified Closure and Post-Closure Plan for the landfill. We are still awaiting the remainder of the permit approvals but anticipate that they will be coming in the next month.

The attached proposal provides for the final design services costs expended by T&M, capped at \$150,000, to achieve the necessary approvals in order to be able to construct the drainage improvements at the landfill. The proposal also includes specifications preparation at a cost of \$19,500 and construction administration / inspection services at a cost of \$142,953.00.

Please contact me if you have any questions.