# TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY

#### NOTICE OF SALE OF

## \$12,979,000 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2025 Consisting of: \$2,235,000 General Improvement Notes \$10,744,000 Water/Sewer Utility Notes

(NON-CALLABLE)

Proposals are being solicited for the above issue of \$12,979,000 Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2025 (the "Notes") for the purchase at not less than the par amount of the Notes through a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:2-28. All bids will be publicly opened and announced by Mathew Thomas of Phoenix Advisors, a division of First Security Municipal Advisors, Inc. (the "Municipal Advisor") on behalf of the Township of Ocean, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey (the "Township" or the "Issuer") on August 5, 2025 (the "Bid 11:00 a.m. Bids will be received either (a) via email, mthomas@muniadvisors.com, or (b) electronically via the PARITY Electronic Bid System ("PARITY") of IPREO LLC in the manner described herein. All bids submitted are the sole responsibility of the bidder and must be received by 11:00 a.m. No telephone bids will be accepted. The Municipal Advisor and the Chief Financial Officer of the Township will evaluate the bids on the basis of the lowest net interest cost to the Township. A determination as to the award will be made no later than 1:00 p.m. on that date. The telephone number for the Municipal Advisor is (609) 291-0130. The Municipal Advisor and the Township accept no responsibility for the failure of any telecopied or emailed bids to be received on time for whatever reason.

If a bidder wishes to transmit its bid by email, it should be accompanied by a cover sheet stating clearly "PROPOSAL FOR NOTES", and such bidder hereby acknowledges that such bid will not be reviewed by the Township until the public opening of bids as aforesaid. Bids delivered by email transmission must be on the official bid form attached hereto as Exhibit A, signed by the bidder, and sent to <a href="mailto:mthomas@muniadvisors.com">mthomas@muniadvisors.com</a>.

Warnings: Bids submitted by email will not be considered timely unless, at the deadline for submission of bids, the entire bid form has been received by the Municipal Advisor. The official time for receipt of bids will be determined by the Township at the place of bid opening, and the Township shall not be required to accept any bidders email time-stamp as evidence of a timely bid. Neither the Township, nor the Township's Municipal Advisor, nor the law firm of Dilworth Paxson LLP ("Bond Counsel") shall be responsible for, and the bidder expressly assumes the risk of, any incomplete or untimely bid submitted by email by such bidder, including, without limitation, by reason of garbled transmission, mechanical failure, engaged telecommunications or computer lines, or any other cause arising from delivery by email. Bidders may call (609) 291-0130, to confirm receipt of their bids; however the Township and the

Municipal Advisor take no responsibility for informing any bidder prior to the time for receiving bids that its bid is incomplete, illegible or not received.

The Notes will be issued in a single issue in the principal amount of \$12,979,000. Each bid must offer to purchase all Notes being offered at a price of not less than par and must specify a single rate of interest offered for the Notes. Interest shall be calculated on a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Bids may be submitted by completing the proposal form attached hereto and made a part hereof and by submitting it in accordance with this Notice. The Chief Financial Officer expects to award the Notes to the responsive bidder specifying the lowest net interest payable by the Township. However, the Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to award the Notes to a bidder other than the lowest bidder. The bidder, by submitting a bid agrees to accept the determination of the Chief Financial Officer.

## **SPECIFICATION OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES**

Principal Amount:	\$12,979,000
Dated:	August 19, 2025
Maturity Date:	August 18, 2026
Interest Rates Per Annum:	Specified by Successful Bidder
Legal Opinion:	Dilworth Paxson LLP Freehold, New Jersey
Paying Agent:	Specified by and at the expense of successful bidder within 24 hours of award, subject to approval of the Chief Financial Officer
Closing:	
<ul><li>a. date</li><li>b. location</li></ul>	August 19, 2025 Township of Ocean, 50 Railroad Avenue, Waretown, New Jersey 08758, or at such other place as agreed to by the Chief Financial Officer
Denominations:	Denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof
Payment:	Immediately available funds

#### **ESTABLISHMENT OF ISSUE PRICE**

- (a) The winning bidder of the Notes shall assist the Issuer in establishing the issue price of the Notes and shall execute and deliver to the Issuer at Closing an "issue price" or similar certificate setting forth the reasonably expected initial offering price to the Public or the sales price or prices of the Notes, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, substantially in the forms reflected as <a href="Exhibits B, C or D">Exhibits B, C or D</a>, which are incorporated by reference herein and are available from Bond Counsel and shall be posted with the Notice of Sale, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the winning bidder, the Issuer and Bond Counsel. All actions to be taken by the Issuer under this Notice of Sale to establish the issue price of the Notes may be taken on behalf of the Issuer by the Issuer's municipal advisor, if any, identified herein and any notice or report to be provided to the Issuer may be provided to the Issuer's municipal advisor or Bond Counsel.
- (b) The Issuer intends that the provisions of Treasury Regulation Section 1.148-1(f)(3)(i) (defining "competitive sale" for purposes of establishing the issue price of the Notes) will apply to the initial sale of the Notes (the "competitive sale requirements") because:
  - (1) the Issuer shall disseminate this Notice of Sale to potential Underwriters in a manner that is reasonably designed to reach potential Underwriters;
    - (2) all bidders shall have an equal opportunity to bid;
  - (3) the Issuer may receive bids from at least three Underwriters of municipal Notes who have established industry reputations for underwriting new issuances of municipal notes; and
  - (4) the Issuer anticipates awarding the sale of the Notes to the bidder who submits a firm offer to purchase the Notes at the highest price (or lowest interest cost), as set forth in this Notice of Sale.

Any bid submitted pursuant to this Notice of Sale shall be considered a firm offer for the purchase of the Notes, as specified in the bid.

- (c) If the successful bidder is purchasing for its own account without a present intention to reoffer the Notes, it must complete <u>Exhibit B</u>, and the provisions of paragraphs (d) (i) below shall not apply.
- (d) In the event that paragraph (c) does not apply and the Competitive Sale Requirements are satisfied, the winning bidder must complete  $\underline{\text{Exhibit C}}$ , and the provisions of paragraphs (e) (i) below shall not apply.
- (e) In the event that paragraph (c) does not apply and the Competitive Sale Requirements are not satisfied, the Issuer shall so advise the winning bidder and the winning bidder must complete Exhibit D. The Issuer may determine to treat (i) the first price at which

10% of a Maturity of the Notes (the "10% test") is sold to the Public as the issue price of that Maturity and/or (ii) the initial offering price to the Public as of the Sale Date of any Maturity of the Notes as the issue price of that Maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"), in each case applied on a Maturity-by-Maturity basis (and if different interest rates apply within a Maturity, to each separate CUSIP number within that Maturity). Immediately following the award of the Notes, the winning bidder shall advise the Issuer if any Maturity of the Notes satisfies the 10% test. Any Maturity (and if different interest rates apply within a Maturity, any separate CUSIP number within that Maturity) of the Notes as to which the winning bidder has not so advised the Issuer that the 10% test has been satisfied shall be subject to the hold-the-offering-price rule. Bids will not be subject to cancellation in the event that the hold-the-offering-price rule applies to any Maturity of the Notes. Bidders should prepare their bids on the assumption that some or all of the maturities of the Notes will be subject to the hold-the-offering-price rule in order to establish the issue price of the Notes.

- (f) By submitting a bid, the winning bidder shall (i) confirm that the Underwriters have offered or will offer the Notes to the Public on or before the date of award at the offering price or prices (the "initial offering price"), or at the corresponding yield or yields, set forth in the bid submitted by the winning bidder and (ii) agree, on behalf of the Underwriters participating in the purchase of the Notes, that the Underwriters will neither offer nor sell unsold Notes of any Maturity to which the hold-the-offering-price rule shall apply to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the Public during the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of the following:
  - (1) the close of the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day after the Sale Date; or
  - (2) the date on which the Underwriters have sold at least 10% of that Maturity of the Notes to the Public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the Public.

The winning bidder will advise the Issuer promptly after the close of the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) business day after the Sale Date whether it has sold 10% of that Maturity of the Notes to the Public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the Public.

- (g) If the competitive sale requirements are not satisfied, then until the 10% test has been satisfied as to each Maturity of the Notes, the winning bidder agrees to promptly report to the Issuer the prices at which the unsold Notes of that Maturity have been sold to the Public. That reporting obligation shall continue, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until either (i) all Notes of that Maturity have been sold or (ii) the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Notes of that Maturity; provided that, the winning bidder's reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the Issuer or Bond Counsel.
- (h) The Issuer acknowledges that, in making the representations set forth above, the winning bidder will rely on (i) the agreement of each Underwriter to comply with the requirements for establishing the issue price of the Notes, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Notes, as set forth

in an agreement among Underwriters and the related pricing wires, (ii) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Notes to the Public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the requirements for establishing the issue price of the Notes, including, but not limited to, the agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Notes, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires, and (iii) in the event that an Underwriter or dealer who is a member of the selling group is a party to a third-party distribution agreement that was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Notes to the Public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing the issue price of the Notes, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the holdthe-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Notes, as set forth in the third-party distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The Issuer further acknowledges that each Underwriter shall be solely liable for its failure to comply with its agreement regarding the requirements for establishing the issue price of the Notes, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Notes, and that no Underwriter shall be liable for the failure of any other Underwriter, or of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement to comply with its corresponding agreement regarding the requirements for establishing the issue price of the Notes, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Notes.

#### (i) By submitting a bid, each bidder confirms that:

(i) any agreement among Underwriters, any selling group agreement and each third-party distribution agreement (to which the bidder is a party) relating to the initial sale of the Notes to the Public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each Underwriter, each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and each brokerdealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement, as applicable: (A) (i) to report the prices at which it sells to the Public the unsold Notes of each Maturity allocated to it, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until either all Notes of that Maturity allocated to it have been sold or it is notified by the winning bidder that the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Notes of that Maturity; provided that, the reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals upon request of the winning bidder and (ii) to comply with the hold-theoffering-price rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder and as set forth in the related pricing wires, (B) to promptly notify the winning bidder of any sales of Note that, to its knowledge, are made to a purchaser who is a related party to an Underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public, and (C) to acknowledge that, unless otherwise advised by the Underwriter, dealer or broker-dealer, the winning bidder shall assume that each order submitted by the Underwriter, dealer or broker-dealer is a sale to the Public.

(ii) any agreement among Underwriters relating to the initial sale of the Notes to the Public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each Underwriter that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Notes to the Public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the Public the unsold Notes of each Maturity allocated to it, whether or not the Closing Date has

occurred, until either all Notes of that Maturity allocated to it have been sold or it is notified by the winning bidder or such Underwriter that the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Notes of that Maturity; provided that, the reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals upon request of the winning bidder and (B) comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the winning bidder or such Underwriter and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

- (j) Sales of any Notes to any person that is a related party to an Underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public shall not constitute sales to the Public for purposes of this Notice of Sale. Further, for purposes of this Notice of Sale:
  - (i) "Public" means any person other than an Underwriter or a related party,
  - (ii) "Underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead Underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public),
  - (iii) a purchaser of any of the Notes is a "related party" to an Underwriter if the Underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (A) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (B) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (C) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other), and
  - (iv) "Sale Date" means the date that the Notes are awarded by the Issuer to the winning bidder.

Bids must be submitted (a) electronically via PARITY, or (b) by email in accordance with this Notice of Sale, until 11:00 a.m., New Jersey time on the Bid Date, but no bid will be received after the time for receiving bids specified above. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in PARITY conflict with this Notice of Sale, the terms of this Notice of Sale shall control. For further information about PARITY, potential bidders may contact the Township's Municipal Advisor (using the contact information set forth in the final paragraph of this Notice of Sale) or PARITY at (212) 404-8102. In the event that a bid for the Notes is submitted via PARITY, the bidder further agrees that:

- 1. The Township may regard the electronic transmission of the bid through PARITY (including information about the purchase price of the Notes, the interest rate or rates to be borne by the Notes and any other information included in such transmission) as though the same information were submitted on a Proposal for Notes provided by the Township and executed and submitted by a duly authorized representative of the bidder. If the bid submitted electronically via PARITY is accepted by the Township, the terms of the bid for the Notes and this Notice of Sale, as well as the information that is electronically transmitted through PARITY, shall form a contract and the Successful Bidder(s) shall be bound by the terms of such contract.
- 2. PARITY is not an agent of the Township, and the Township shall have no liability whatsoever based on any bidder's use of PARITY, including but not limited to any failure by PARITY to correctly or timely transmit information provided by the Township or information provided by the bidder.
- 3. The Township may choose to discontinue use of electronic bidding via PARITY by issuing a notification to such effect via Thomson News Service ("TM3") no later than 3:00 p.m. (New Jersey time) on the last business date prior to the Bid Date.
- 4. Once the bids are communicated electronically via PARITY to the Township, as described above, each bid will constitute a bid to the Notes and shall be deemed to be an irrevocable offer to purchase the Notes on the terms provided in this Notice of Sale. For purposes of submitting all bids for the Notes, whether by hand delivery, e-mail delivery or electronically via PARITY, the time maintained on PARITY shall constitute the official time.
- 5. Each bidder shall be solely responsible to make necessary arrangements to access PARITY for purposes of submitting its bid in a timely matter and in compliance with the requirements of this Notice of Sale. Neither the Township nor PARITY shall have any duty or obligation to provide or assure access to any bidder, and neither the Township nor PARITY shall be responsible for the proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of, or any damages caused by, PARITY. The Township is using PARITY as a communication mechanism, and not as the Township's agent, to conduct the electronic bidding for the Notes. By using PARITY, each bidder agrees to hold the Township harmless for any harm or damages caused by such bidder in connection with its use of PARITY for bidding on the Notes.

The Township may, in its sole discretion and prior to the opening of the bids clarify any term hereof, including without limitation, its decision to discontinue use of electronic bidding via PARITY, by issuing a notification of the clarification via TM3, or any other available means, no later than 3:00 p.m. on the last business day prior to the Bid Date.

The Township further reserves the right to postpone, from time to time, the Bid Date. Any such postponement will be announced by TM3, or any other available means, not later than 9:00 a.m., New Jersey time, on the Bid Date, Any such alternative Bid Date and the time at which bids are due will be announced via TM3, or any other available means, at least 48 hours before bids are due on the alternative Bid Date. On any such alternative Bid Date, bidders shall submit Proposals for Notes in conformity with all of the requirements hereof, other than the date

of submission and sale and any further or contrary provisions set forth in such announcement, which further or contrary provisions must be complied with by all bidders.

The Notes will be non-callable general obligations of the Township payable ultimately from *ad valorem* taxes levied upon all taxable property within the Township to the extent that payment is not otherwise provided. The full faith and credit of the Township will be pledged for the punctual payment, in accordance with their terms, of the principal of and the interest on the Notes. The Notes will be designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The Preliminary Official Statement is deemed to be a "final Official Statement" as of its date, within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, but is subject to (a) completion with certain pricing and other information to be made available to the successful bidder, and (b) amendment. The Preliminary Official Statement, as so revised, will constitute the final Official Statement.

In order to assist bidders in complying with SEC Rule 15c2-12, the Township will undertake pursuant to a Continuing Disclosure Certificate, to provide notices of the occurrence of certain events, if material. A description of this undertaking is set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement and will also be set forth in the final Official Statement.

No later than seven business days following the award of the Notes, the Township will provide the successful bidder with a reasonable number of copies of the final Official Statement, provided that all information necessary to complete the final Official Statement is supplied to the Township within twenty-four (24) hours after the award of the Notes.

It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Notes, but neither the failure to print such number on any Note nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser thereof to accept delivery of and pay for the Notes in accordance with the terms of this Notice of Sale. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP numbers on the Notes shall be paid for by the Township; provided, however, that the CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of said numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the purchasers.

As a condition to delivery of the Notes, the successful bidder for the Notes will be required to execute a receipt therefor containing a certification that either (i) it has made a bona fide public offering of the Notes at a stated initial offering price or prices and at least ten percent (10%) of the Notes have been sold to the public (excluding bond houses, brokers or similar organizations acting in the capacity of underwriter or wholesaler) at such initial offering price or prices as would produce a yield to the purchaser(s) thereof equal to a stated percentage per annum, and, it has not entered into any arrangement with any third party to repurchase the Notes in order to enable the successful bidder to reoffer the Notes at higher prices, or (ii) it has not reoffered the Notes to the public and has no present intention to reoffer the Notes to the public. In addition, the certification shall address such other matters as Bond Counsel reasonably may request of the successful bidder.

The successful bidder of the Notes is advised of its responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission ("ELEC") pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 (P.L. 2005, c.271, s.3) if the successful bidder enters into agreements or contracts, such as its agreement to purchase the Notes, with a public entity, such as the Township and receives compensation or fees in excess of \$50,000 in the aggregate from public entities, such as the Township, in a calendar year. It is the successful bidder's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Failure to do so can result in the imposition of financial penalties by ELEC. Additional information about this requirement is available from ELEC at 888-313-3532 or at www.elec.state.nj.us.

A Preliminary Official Statement has been prepared and will be posted on the internet and can be downloaded at <a href="www.munihub.com">www.munihub.com</a>. Potential bidders may also obtain a copy of the Preliminary Official Statement from the Municipal Advisor.

/s/ CASEY WALFORD

Casey Walford, Chief Financial Officer

#### EXHIBIT A

#### PROPOSAL FOR NOTES

August 5, 2025

Casey Walford, Chief Financial Officer Township of Ocean c/o Mathew Thomas Phoenix Advisors, a division of First Security Municipal Advisors, Inc. 2000 Waterview Drive, Suite 101 Hamilton, New Jersey 08691 Dear Mr. Thomas: Subject to the provisions of the "Notice of Sale of \$12,979,000 Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2025", which is attached hereto and considered a part hereof, we offer to purchase the Notes on the following terms: (not less than \$12,979,000 which Purchase Price: represents the par amount of the Notes) Interest Rate: Net Interest Cost: \_\_\_\_\_% (Please specify in both percentage and dollars) Name: Title: Representing: Telephone No.: PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING: Interest Payable on Notes

THIS PORTION OF THE PROPOSAL IS NOT PART OF THE BID

Less: Premium, if any

Net Interest Payable

#### **EXHIBIT B**

#### TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY

## \$12,979,000 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2025 Consisting of: \$2,235,000 General Improvement Notes \$10,744,000 Water/Sewer Utility Notes

#### CERTIFICATE OF THE PURCHASER

#### (NO REOFFERING PURCHASER)

The undersigned, on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Purchaser"), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the purchase of the above-captioned obligations (the "Notes").

1. **Purchase of the Notes.** On the date of this certificate, the Purchaser is purchasing the Notes for the amount of 12,979,000. The Purchaser is not acting as an Underwriter with respect to the Notes. The Purchaser has no present intention to sell, reoffer, or otherwise dispose of the Notes (or any portion of the Notes or any interest in the Notes). The Purchaser has not contracted with any person pursuant to a written agreement to have such person participate in the initial sale of the Notes and the Purchaser has not agreed with the Issuer pursuant to a written agreement to sell the Notes to persons other than the Purchaser or a related party to the Purchaser.

#### 2. **Defined Terms**.

- (a) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- (b) Underwriter means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead Underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents the Purchaser's interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax or Arbitrage Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules

affecting the Notes, and by Dilworth Paxson LLP, Bond Counsel to the Issuer, in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Notes.

[PURCHASER]	
By:	
Name:	
Title:	
Dated:	

#### **EXHIBIT C**

## TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY

## \$12,979,000 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2025 Consisting of:

\$2,235,000 General Improvement Notes \$10,744,000 Water/Sewer Utility Notes

#### ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

## (Competitive Sale Requirement Satisfied)

The undersigned (the "Representative"), on behalf of itself and each member of the underwriting group (if any) (collectively, the "Underwriter") hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale of the above-captioned obligations (the "Notes").

#### 1. Sale of the Notes

All Maturities of the Notes have been the subject of a bona fide initial offering to the public.

#### 2. Reasonably Expected Initial Offering Price.

- (a) As of the Sale Date, the reasonably expected initial offering prices and yields of the Notes to the Public by the Underwriter are the prices and yields listed in <u>Schedule A</u> (the "Expected Offering Prices"). The Expected Offering Prices are the prices for the Maturities of the Notes used by Underwriter in formulating its bid to purchase the Notes. Attached as <u>Schedule B</u> is a true and correct copy of the bid provided by the Underwriter to purchase the Notes.
- (b) The Underwriter was not given the opportunity to review other bids prior to submitting its bid.
- (c) The bid submitted by the Underwriter constituted a firm offer to purchase the Notes.
  - (d) The reoffering yield of the Notes is \_\_\_\_\_%.

#### 3. **Defined Terms**.

(a) *Issuer* means the Township of Ocean, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey.

- (b) *Maturity* means Notes with the same credit and payment terms. Notes with different maturity dates, or Notes with the same Maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.
- (c) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- (d) Sale Date means the first day on which the Notes are awarded by the Issuer to the winning bidder. The Sale Date of the Notes is August 5, 2025.
- (e) Underwriter means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead Underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents the Underwriter's interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Issuer's Tax or Arbitrage Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Notes, and by Dilworth Paxson LLP, Bond Counsel to the Issuer, in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Notes.

[REPRESENTATIVE, on behalf of itself and each member of the underwriting group]

By:		
Name:		
Title:		
Dated:		

# SCHEDULE A

# **EXPECTED OFFERING PRICES AND YIELDS**

# SCHEDULE B

# **COPY OF BID**

#### **EXHIBIT D**

## TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY

## \$12,979,000 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2025 Consisting of: \$2,235,000 General Improvement Notes \$10,744,000 Water/Sewer Utility Notes

#### **ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE**

(Hold the Price for all or some maturities)

The undersigned, on behalf of itself and each member of the underwriting group (if any) (collectively, the "Underwriter), hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale and issuance of the above-captioned obligations (the "Notes"). Select appropriate provisions below:

#### 1. Sale of the Notes

All Maturities of the Notes have been the subject of a bona fide initial offering to the public.

## 2. Initial Offering Price of the Notes

- (a) As of the date of this certificate, for each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities, the first price at which at least 10% of such Maturity of the Notes was sold to the Public is the respective price listed in <u>Schedule A</u>. The Underwriter offered the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities to the Public for purchase at the respective initial offering prices listed in <u>Schedule A</u> (the "Initial Offering Prices") on or before the Sale Date. A copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication for the Notes is attached to this certificate as <u>Schedule B</u>.
- (b) As set forth in the Notice of Sale and bid award, the Underwriter has agreed in writing that, (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, it would neither offer nor sell any of the Notes of such Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"), and (ii) any selling group agreement shall contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any third-party distribution agreement shall contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the third-party distribution agreement, to comply with the requirements for establishing the issue price of the Notes, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Notes. Pursuant to such agreement, no Underwriter (as defined below) has offered or sold any Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities at a price that is higher than the respective Initial Offering Price for that Maturity of the Notes during the Holding Period.
  - (c) The reoffering yield of the Notes is %.

## 3. **Defined Terms**.

- (a) General Rule Maturities means those Maturities of the Notes listed in Schedule A hereto as the "General Rule Maturities."
- (b) *Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities* means those Maturities of the Notes listed in Schedule A hereto as the "Hold-the-Price Maturities."
- (c) Holding Period means, with respect to a Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date (August \_\_\_, 2025), or (ii) the date on which the Underwriter has sold at least 10% of such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity.
  - (d) *Issuer* means the Township of Ocean, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey.
- (e) *Maturity* means Notes with the same credit and payment terms. Notes with different maturity dates, or Notes with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.
- (f) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- (g) Sale Date means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Notes. The Sale Date of the Notes is August 5, 2025.
- (h) Underwriter means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead Underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only.

Nothing in this certificate represents the Underwriter's interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder.

The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax or Arbitrage Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Notes, and by Dilworth Paxson LLP, Bond Counsel, in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of

Internal Revenue Service Form	8038-G, and	other federal	income tax	advice it may	give to the
Issuer from time to time relating	to the Notes.				

[REPRESENTATIVE, on behalf of itself member of the underwriting group]	and	each
By:Name:	-	
Title:	_	
Dated:	-	

# **SCHEDULE A**

# ISSUE PRICE OF THE NOTES

(Attached)

Maturity Date	Par Amount	Rate	Issue Price	GR or HTP

GR - General Rule HTP – Hold the Offering Price

# **SCHEDULE B**

# PRICING WIRE OR EQUIVALENT COMMUNICATION

(Attached)

