



Town of Bethany Beach
Purchase Order of \$40,000 or More
For Town Council Approval

Date of Request: 01/16/2026

Vendor Name: Pennoni

Address: PO Box 927328

Philadelphia, PA 19182-7328

Phone: (717) 620-5993

Description of Purchase:

Engineering services for drainage planning grant to include surveying, an existing conditions assessment, a feasibility analysis of drainage improvements, and the development of conceptual designs.

Total Cost: \$ 100,000.00

Reason for selecting this vendor:

Pennoni applied for a matching planning grant and it is an engineering services contract

Other Bidders and Bid Amount:

No other bidders

Approved by Council: _____

Agenda Title: Discussion, Consideration and Possible Vote on approving the funds (\$50,000) needed to meet the match requirement for the Surface Water Matching Planning Grant for Bethany West Flooding/Drainage Study

Surface Water Matching Planning Grant for Bethany West Flooding/Drainage Study

At the August 15, 2025, Council Meeting, the Town Manager discussed the need for a drainage study in a portion of the Bethany West community. A small area of Bethany West drains to the Assawoman Canal, while a major drainage channel exists along the Town's southern boundary, separating Sea Colony from the Town's corporate limits. Although the areas draining to the Assawoman Canal generally function well, certain areas that drain into the southern channel experience ongoing drainage issues. Town crews previously performed maintenance and cleaning of this channel. To further evaluate these concerns, the Town requested that its engineers apply for a planning grant through the Surface Water Matching Planning Grant Program.

This proposed project will build upon prior efforts associated with the Town's comprehensive stormwater management planning. The study area extends from Radial Drive to the unnamed canal located along the southern edge of Bethany West at the shared parcel line with Sea Colony. The study will evaluate the existing stormwater collection and conveyance system, including pipes, inlets, driveway culverts, and swales crossing Radial Drive and Fernwood Circle, as well as areas along Half Moon Drive, Tudor Court, Brookeview Court, and Spring Lake Drive. The project area encompasses approximately 50 acres and includes roughly 1,775 linear feet of piping, driveway culverts, and swales.

Since that time, the Town has been awarded a matching planning grant in the amount of \$50,000. The total estimated cost of the project is \$100,000, with \$50,000 funded by the Town and \$50,000 provided through the Surface Water Matching Planning Grant Program.

The Town will work with Pennoni Associates to complete the proposed scope of work, which includes surveying, an existing conditions assessment, a feasibility analysis of drainage improvements, and the development of conceptual designs.