

Questions for PM&R Area Renovation, Project number 652-12-113

Question submitted by Brian Green, Capital Commissioning, Inc. on 12/4/2013:

In reviewing the documentation, specification section 01 91 00, 1.8.C.1 it states; "The VA will engage the CxA under a separate contract." The project is currently listed under VA246-14-B-0133, is there a separate solicitation for the commissioning portion, or is this a misprint within the specifications. We would like to propose our commissioning services for the project and we are a verified SDVOSB firm.

Answer: Commissioning by independent third party authorized agent to be included as part of this contract, not a separate contract.

Questions submitted by Ronald Hill, Jr., E&E Enterprises Global, Inc. on 12/4/2013:

In reviewing the job specification and drawings for the above referenced project, E&E has the following questions:

- 1. Please provide sound rating for wall & ceiling systems. (Dwg. 500-AS-06)**

Answer: Provide 38-40 STC, with minimum of 40 STC at Office 1S-148.

- 2. Is the existing roofing system under warranty? If so, please provide warranty and installer information. (Div. 07)**

Answer: No. The main roof is a 3 ply bitumen and felt system at least 10 years old.

- 3. Will specs be provided for roofing system? (Div. 07)**

Answer: No specification for roofing for this project. Roofing systems is existing to remain. It will be incumbent on the contractor to make penetrations made specifically for this work or accidentally, weather and water tight.

4. Will contractor be allowed to install scaffolding in the base of the pool?

Answer: Yes, the pool will be drained.

5. Please provide spec requirements for the steel fabrication. (Dwg. 500-MH-07)

Answer: No. Specification for steel fabrication detail shows intent. Use ASTM A36 steel. Provide shop drawing for approval prior to fabrication.

Question submitted by Jerry Peterson, Argo Systems LLC on 12/5/2013:

Can you please forward the Current Hazardous Material Survey Inspection Report to me?

Answer: The report will be available for inspection at the safety office. No electronic copy is available for issue.

Questions Submitted by Roger Petersen II, Hudson Highlands Corp. on 12/5/2013:

1. Is the Rehab Pool to remain operational and in use during construction?

Answer: No. The contractor will have exclusive access.

2. Will there be a need for temporary heating and or air for the project?

Answer: Other than the contractor's comfort, no. Negative air is required for ICRA.

3. How is the steel ceiling system above the pool attached to the ceiling structure?

Answer: Assume a bolt and plate system for pricing purposes.

- 4. Is the contractor responsible for moving faculty and or furniture and equipment and storing these items from the construction areas?**

Answer: No, but there may be miscellaneous items in the area which are to be trashed.

- 5. The fire suppression plans do not show a new sprinkler head layout for the construction areas which receive a new floor plan layout, please advise.**

Answer: Retain a sprinkler contractor to reconfigure and provide sprinklers in compliance with NFPA 13 within outlined area. See added spec sections 21 13 13 and 21 05 11.

- 6. Could you please provide more details with regards to the shower stall units noted for the project, IE. preferred manufacturer etc.**

Answer: Provide prefabricated fiber glass shower units – the color and type to be approved by VA Interior Designer.

- 7. There is no new reflective ceiling plan for the check-in area...**

Answer: Correct. Existing ceiling will remain. Clean and repair as required.

- 8. New work for the check-in area shows data/tele outlets where proposed furniture is supposed to go, but the furniture systems is under a separate contract according to the plans. How are the terminals/outlets to be terminated with out the furniture in place?**

Answer: Recessed boxes with face flush face plates is sufficient

- 9. The phasing plan does not show any type of temp construction partitions or doors for area 1 around the pool/locker room area. Please clarify.**

Answer: Construction can be contained within locked doors. Contractor shall have exclusive access to the area within those locked doors.

- 10. The total duration for the project calls for 600 days. Why is the duration of the project so long for such a small area? Are there to be any restrictions on work time or any areas where work can only be done at night or weekends only and where the areas have to be restored back at the end of each work shift?**

Answer: The 3 areas are sequential. Six hundred days is generous, we expect it to be completed well within that given time period.

11. There are several notes on the plans for equipment and furniture layouts but those items are under a separate contract, what does the contractor need to do in preparation for those areas, IE. any extra framing and or wall blocking to accommodate the new furniture and equipment? Is the contractor to include the installation of any of the furniture under the other contracts?

Answer: Furniture provided by VA as shown on drawings. Provide blocking for wall cabinets (dashed on plans); sheet metal type will be sufficient.