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PreBid RFI Responses

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RPA Design offers the following responses to Requests for Information we have received during the bidding process. The question received is in italics. Responses are in bold.

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- 1. On sheet S101, the footings located on column line 4.9 are dimensioned with different sizes than those noted. Please clarify*
Response: For the column footings on column line 4.9, please use the dimension sizes rather than those noted. The footings up-sized, but the notes did not get changed properly.
 - 2. On sheet S402, the dimensions in sections 1 & 2/S402 of the elevator pit do not match. Furthermore, neither dimension matches that shown on sheet S101 of the elevator pit. Please clarify.*
Response: Please use the overall width dimensions indicated on the plan S101 of 11'-0".
 - 3. On sheet S102 the slab on grade is noted as being "8" Concrete Slab with #4 @ 12" O.C.E.W. Top & Bottom". The section (1/S403) through this area does not show a floor slab or the slab at the exterior. The dimensions from the outside to outside of the footings, do not match those down on either sheet S101 or details 1 & 2 on S403. On sheet S401, in detail 1, the slab on grade is shown, but it is shown as what appears to be 4" thick slab with one layer of wire mesh. Please clarify.*
Response: The note on S102 should read "4" CONCRETE SLAB-ON-GRADE W/ 6X6-W1.4XW1.4 WWF ON 10 MIL POLYETHYLENE ON 4" GRANULAR FILL." in lieu of 8" concrete. The 4" slab should have been shown on section 1/S403, but was left off.
 - 4. Detail S403 shows a 16" high concrete wall with a brick block out on either side of Elevator Machine Room. Sheet S101 indicates an 8" CMU wall below grade. Which is required?*
Response: The 16" concrete wall with brick ledge as shown in 1/S403 is intended. The reinforced CMU shown on 1/S101 is to locate the vertical reinforcing steel within the CMU cells. However, a solid grout filled CMU wall may be constructed in lieu of the 16" concrete wall.
 - 5. Please identify the cabinets located in the following locations:*
 - Corridor C1-27 outside of room 1C132
 - Corridor C1-33 outside of room 1D132
 - Corrdior C2-28 outside of room 2D108**Response: All three locations are crash cart cabinets as shown on 18/A431.**
 - 6. Toilet tissue dispensers are not shown in the patient room toilets, are they required?*
Response: Toilet tissue dispensers will be provided by the VA. Coordinate with COR.

7. *Detail 7/A401 appears to show a medicine cabinet located in the wall between the lavatory and the shower. Is this required? If so, please provide a specification.*
Response: Medicine cabinets are not required for Phase 3.
8. *I have not found anything in the project documents indicating what the existing floor covering consists of or that it is to be removed other than the grout at the existing ceramic tile floors. If the existing floor covering is to be removed, please indicate the types of floor coverings and their locations.*
Response: All floors that are scheduled to receive new flooring shall have existing flooring removed, cleaned, and prepped to receive new flooring. Lobby C1-9 has existing tile floor. All other areas have VCT.
9. *Please provide details of window frames and type of glazing required at the windows located in the elevator shaft. Also, please provide details at the head, jamb, and seals of each of these windows.*
Response: See revised sheets
10. *Detail 7/A433 shows what I believe are the counters or cabinets located in 1C101 and 2C101 and in the enlarged detail 2/A403. Please provide a section through these counters.*
Response: This counter consists of two different counter tops at two different heights. One is at 2'-0" AFF and the other is 2'-6" AFF. Each counter top is attached to the wall and has a single leg support. This leg is 6" square in LAM-4. See section 14/A463 on drawings.
11. *Fireplaces appear to have mantles. Please provide a detail if required.*
Response: Mantel shall be 3/4" plywood faced in LAM-4. Blocking in walls required.
12. *Elevation 15/A433 shows MP-2 under the counters. Is the MP-2 required on the other walls of rooms 1C120 and 2C120?*
Response: MP-2 is required on the wall under the counters, along with the two walls adjacent. MP-2 is not required on the opposite wall of the counter (along Office 1C118).
13. *Details 15 & 16/A433 show MP-1 on two walls of Room 2A120. Is MP-1 required on all four walls of the room?*
**Response: MP-2 is required on the wall under the counters, along with the two walls adjacent. MP-2 is not required on the opposite wall of the counter (along Office 1C118).
*Note: In original question Room 2A120 referenced is not in scope and should be 2A102.**
14. *At the top of the MP-1 and MP-2 where they end (as shown on details 11 & 17/A433) is there a cap or trim piece required? I have not found a detail showing this condition. The column shown in detail 4/A433 seems to indicate some type of trim.*
Response: MP-1 and MP-2 specified the full system to provide a finished wainscot look. Top cap, end cap, base component, and vertical spacers are included in the system. MP-1 is equal to Spectrim CFP-144-17 and MP-2 is equal to CBP-144-17.
15. *The electrical drawings call for a 4" wide by 4" deep cable tray, but the telephone/data trade contractors are saying that the amount of category 5e cable required for this project will exceed the capacity of this size cable tray (violating the building code). Please clarify.*
Response: Cable tray to be 12" wide by 4" deep in lieu of 4" wide by 4" deep.
16. *The second is a multi-part question regarding resilient flooring and conflicts on the "IF" drawings:*
- *All corridors are scheduled to receive SV-1, SV-2, and LVT-9 flooring, with LVT-9 being the most prevalent based on all the plank direction notes on the drawings (see the attached portion of drawing IF101C for example).*

However, the drawings do not indicate where the SV-1 and SV-2 products occur. Please clarify.

- *Also (a bigger problem), SV-1 flooring is a sheet-good product with simulated planks and LVT-9 flooring is an 18" x 18" tile that cannot have a "plank direction". Shouldn't flooring type SV-1 be the prevalent flooring in the corridors?*
- *Please review these flooring types and clarify exactly what the requirements are for the project.*

Response: The drawings have been corrected to show SV-1 as the primary flooring in the corridors, with SV-2, LVT-9, 10, and 11 as accent floor patterns. These items have been corrected in Amendment #4 - sheets IF101B, IF101C, IF102B, and IF102C.

17. *There are brick pavers shown at the outdoor fountain area (plan 1/AS102), but there are not specifications covering the paver materials, setting methods, etc. Please provide a specification for this work.*

Response: See specification section 32 14 16.

18. *In Amendment A0003, the portion of Deductive Alternate No. 1 pertaining to the deletion of the fountain was clarified to include "all work pertaining to the fountain". This description is still a bit ambiguous. Under the Deductive Alternate, are we to delete the two planters, the concrete walkways, and the brick pavers? Please clarify.*

Response: Planters, paving, and walkways shall be deleted as part of Deductive Alternate No. 1 as well.

19. *Cubicle curtain tracks are specified in Section 102123, but the drawings are not clear as to where cubicle curtain tracks are to be installed (other than Patient Bath elevation 11/A401, but it seems like it should be a shower curtain; not a traditional cubicle curtain). Please clarify as to where cubicle curtain tracks are required.*

Response: Cubicle curtain tracks are used in each resident bathroom and not the traditional shower curtain rod.

20. *Detail C/A434 only shows MP-1 on the right hand portion of this area. Addenda #3, sheet IF104 shows MP-1 continuing at the perimeter of the majority of the room. What is the extent of the area to be covered with MP-1?*

Response: In Entry, MP-1 is used on all walls with the exception of the curved wall behind the reception desk as shown on Amendment #3. FW-1 and FW-2 is on this wall.

21. *Detail 5/A434 shows FW-1 at the lower section of the walls, while Addenda #3 sheet IF104 shows MP-1 in these areas. Which is correct?*

Response: FW-1 only happens on the curved wall behind desk. All other walls get MP-1.

22. *Please clarify which manufactured panel goes in Rooms 1D101 and 2C101. On sheet IF101C, the room schedule shows MP-2 in 1D101. On sheet IF102C, the room schedule shows MP-1. The enlarged detail for both of these rooms, 4/IF103, shows MP-1 on the room schedule, but MP-2 located on the walls.*

Response: MP-2 is to be used in Rooms 1D101 and 2C101.

23. *Is the perimeter wood trim to be deleted along with the fireplaces in Alternate #1?*

Response: Perimeter wood trim is to be removed along with fireplaces per Alternate #1. Details of the bookcase replace to match all other millwork in that room.

24. *The reflected ceiling plan legend shows two types of crown molding. I have not found either referenced in any rooms on the plans. Is crown molding required?*

Response: There is no crown molding used in Phase 3.

25. *Are there any restrictions on the locations for placing dumpsters that can be fed with a trash chute during each phase of demolition?*

Response: This is acceptable, coordinate with COR.

26. *Please provide a detail of the sloped glazed roof structure at room BC154 per bid item #8 (alternate #7).*

Response: See revised sheet A201, detail 4.

27. *Both bid items #7 and #8 say to delete Door 2D113A and replace it with storefront. Should this only be in bid item #7?*

Response: See revised specification section 01 00 00.

28. *Five tier lockers are shown in Rooms 1C103, 1D103, 2C103, and 2D103. I have not found any reference to who furnishes them or a specification for them. Are they included in the project?*

Response: Lockers to be furnished and installed by VA.

29. *Please confirm that the "Wood Stained Beams" shown in details 2 and 3/A432 are the laminate clad bulkheads shown in detail 3/A124. Also, please clarify if all of the laminate clad bulkheads are detail 3/A124 and not details 2 and 8, which only reference 6" wide bulkheads.*

Response: "Wood Stained Beams" as noted in 2/A432 and 3/A432 are the laminate clad bulkheads shown in detail 3/A124. Refer to detail 3/A124 for sections and refer to RCP's for bulkhead widths as stated in detail.

30. *Is there a hardware set for the standard keyed locks replacing the card readers as directed by Alternate #3?*

Response: If alternate #3 is taken, the door hardware shall be such that allows doors to be locked and unlocked by key from both sides.

31. *Is chair rail required in the project? I have not found a detail or location in the documents.*

Response: There is no chair rail used in Phase 3.

32. *Is wood base required in the project? I have not found a detail or location in the documents.*

Response: There is no wood base in Phase 3, however, where MP-1 and MP-2 occur, a "wood look" base is incorporated into the panel system specified.

33. *Elevations 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, and 18 show a panel base at the manufactured panels. Please provide specification for this base. Also, there appears to be "vertical spacers" at the MP-1 in details #17 and #18. Is this the same material used at the panel base?*

Response: The Spectrim wainscot system specified has all components required to give a finished look. Top cap, end cap, base component, and vertical spacers are included in the systems. MP-1 is equal to Spectrim CFP-144-17 and MP-2 is equal to CBP-144-17.

34. *Is the solar control film referenced on sheet IF601 required on this project and if so, at what locations?*

Response: There is no window film used in Phase 3.

35. *The W1 window elevation on sheet A601 appears to have a design or a frame on the glazing. Please provide a detail.*

Response: The drawings have been revised to show dimensions and a section. See 6/A601 for interior window lite detail and the Window Schedule on sheet A601 for dimensions.

36. *Is the wood trim at Windows W1 with rosettes?*

Response: Rosettes are not required for Window W1.

37. *Regarding Voice/Data (Division 27) - are we to replace the existing fiber between going between the floors between the telecom closets or use existing? During walk through, I noticed it is OM3 and to current specs.*

Response: The existing backbone fiber optic cabling between telecom rooms shall remain and be reused.

38. *As far as Div 27 for CATV system are we to use existing backbone coax that is currently in place and just run new RG6 from the units back to the eqpt in closets?*

Response: Yes, reuse existing CATV backbone coax and provide new RG-6 coax to the outlets.

39. *It does not show if we can use existing backbone copper going from the main room BA-107 to the IDF closets...If not how many pairs to each closet?*

Response: Existing copper backbone cabling shall be reused from room BA-107 to the IDF closets.

40. *Break Rooms 1C103, 1D103, 2C103, and 2D103 are all indicated on the plans to receive new 5-tier lockers, but there are no specifications for these lockers. Please provide a specification for these.*

Response: See response to question #27.

41. *I'm trying to find the Security Systems specifications for this project. I am specifically asking about the Access Control. It seems that 18 doors will need readers and other devices.*

Response: VAMC Salisbury is responsible for access control under separate contract. This Phase III project is responsible for rough-in of single gang box and conduit as directed on electrical drawings.

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