

Façade Corrections Phase 2

Lebanon VAMC, Lebanon, PA
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BIDDER QUESTIONS #1

1. Please refer to the following pertaining to Cast Stone Urns:
 - a. Keynote 9 indicates: REMOVE AND CLEAN EXISTING CAST STONE DECORATION. REMOVE ANY DAMAGED DECORATIONS AND REPLACE WITH NEW TO MATCH EXISTING (ASSUME REPLACEMENT QTY. = 6 FOR PROJECT, INCL. BUILDINGS 1 AND 17)". This keynote is indicated on the elevations of Building 1 only, which appears to be applicable to 8 Cast Stone Urns total.
 - b. Building 17 Elevation C/A206 refers to Enlarged Elevation B/A303 which indicates: "REMOVE, CLEAN, AND REINSTALL DECORATIVE URNS IN CONJUNCTION WITH INSTALLATION OF FLASHING @ COPING STONE (TYP OF 2, REFER TO BUILDING ELEVATIONS)..."
 - c. General Note 2 includes the statement: "REPLACE ANY DECORATIVE URNS NOT ABLE TO BE REPAIRED (ASSUME PROJECT REPLACEMENT QTY = 10)"
 - d. Please confirm and/or advise:
 - 1) Keynote 9 is specifically pertaining to Cast Stone Urns only ("...ANY DAMAGED DECORATIONS...")
 - 2) The total quantity of Cast Stone Urns to be Removed, Cleaned, Reinstalled, or Replaced is 10 (Building 1 = 8, Building 17 = 2).
 - 3) The total quantity of Cast Stone Urns to be assumed as replaced with new is ___?
2. Please refer to the following pertaining to exterior wall decorations (other than Cast Stone Urns noted in the RFI above) including Limestone Band Coursing, Belt Coursing, and Cornice work:
 - a. General Note 2 includes the following: "CLEAN AND RESTORE TO LIKE-NEW CONDITION ALL EXTERIOR WALL DECORATIONS IN PLACE, INCLUDING ... LIMESTONE BAND/BELT COURSING..."
 - b. Building 17 Enlarged Elevations A and B/A303 include the note: "CLEAN EXISTING LIMESTONE BAND COURSE AND CORNICE PIECES, EACH SIDE AND THROUGHOUT BUILDING ELEVATION"
 - c. Please confirm and/or advise:
 - 1) Please clarify the requirement: "CLEAN AND RESTORE TO LIKE-NEW CONDITION". Please provide Specifications also.
 - 2) Please identify the specific elements of Limestone to be included within the scope of the requirements. Perhaps the use of Keynotes referenced on the Building 1 and 17 Elevations would help to identify the scope.
 - 3) Please clarify the symbols / demarcation / conventions / poche associated with the elements of Limestone, including Band Coursing, Belt Coursing, and Cornice work.
3. Elevation B/A205 for Building 17 indicates: "CLEAN AREA OF PREVIOUSLY REMOVED TEMPORARY STRUCTURE (APPROX. AREA OF CLEANING = 200 SF)". Is this the extent of Brick Masonry cleaning for the project other than that incidental to miscellaneous, minor noted repairs?
4. Keynote 5 indicates: "REPOINT EXISTING MASONRY IN APPROXIMATE AREA INDICATED (APPROXIMATE SF OF REPAIR INDICATED AT EACH LOCATION OF EACH SIGNIFICANT WORK)"

Please confirm that the extent of Brick Masonry Repointing associated with the Keynote, and the entire project, is limited to the specific quantity noted by the Keynote except for that incidental to miscellaneous, minor noted repairs.

5. Keynote 6 indicates: "RECONSTRUCT DAMAGED EXISTING MASONRY IN APPROXIMATE AREA INDICATED (APPROXIMATE SF OF REPAIR INDICATED AT EACH LOCATION OF SIGNIFICANT WORK)" Please confirm that the extent of Brick Masonry Repair associated with the Keynote is limited to the specific quantity noted by the Keynote.
6. General Note 1 indicates: "REMOVE EXISTING SEALANT AT ALL EXTERIOR WALL PENETRATIONS BEYOND DOORS/ WINDOWS/ LOUVERS. PENETRATIONS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO MECHANICAL, ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING PENETRATIONS. PREP AND REPLACE WITH NEW BACKER ROD AND SEALANT ALL PENETRATIONS. (SCOPE OF SEALANT REPLACEMENT SHALL ALSO INCLUDE ALL WINDOWS W/IN SCOPE AREA NOT RECEIVING NEW LINTEL)" Please confirm and/or advise:
 - a. Are all window openings that are contemplated by the scope of this note shown on the respective Building Elevations?
 - b. Are all louver openings that are contemplated by the scope of this note shown on the respective Building Elevations?
 - c. Are all door openings that are contemplated by the scope of this note shown on the respective Building Elevations?
7. "REPLACE CRACKED BRICK VENEER AT OUTSIDE CORNER LOCATIONS OF NEW CONTROL JOINTS." is indicated as part of the scope of work associated with Keynote 3. Please clarify by reference to specific locations associated with the approximate 50 areas where the keynote is indicated. The scope of this work is very difficult to quantify. Please consider alternative methods i.e. Allowance utilization.
8. Section Detail A/A301 indicates: "...PROVIDE HEMMED DRIP EDGE - MATCH DIMENSION OF DRIP EDGE FROM PREVIOUS LINTEL REPLACEMENT PROJECT @ WEST BUILDING FAÇADE..."
Please advise.
9. Is a paint finish required for the new galvanized steel lintel indicated in Section Detail A/A301?