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| PROJECT NAME:                    | PIHCS-Expand<br>Parking Garage | DATE REQUESTED:           | ASAP |
| SOLICITATION NO.:                | VA261-17-B-0278                | REFERENCE:                |      |
| DRAWING:                         |                                | SPECIFICATION<br>SECTION: |      |

**DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM OR INFORMATION BEING REQUESTED**

1. Bids Schedule supersede the Statement of Work in spec section 01 00 00?
  - a. The description of work does not match with the Bid Item descriptions of the bid schedule.
2. Please Clarify the actual scope of work identified by CLIN 00001 - Structural & Architectural Consisting Of.....:
  - a. It is unclear if any value is appropriate as the work is further broken down by the subsequent CLINS 1A-8.
  - b. It identifies work for levels 3 and 4, and we are unable to locate work required at those levels?
  - c. Is this where we include pricing for miscellaneous and other work not identified by following CLINS, including General Condition costs?
3. Please provide scope of work clarity regarding the following CLIN's:
  - a. CLIN 0001E - New 5th Floor Parking Area
    - i. Is this just the new concrete deck at the 5th floor?
  - b. CLIN 0012 - Elevators retrofitted to parking level 4
    - i. Please clarify, as it is understood that the existing elevators currently stop at the 4th floor? What retrofitting is anticipated by this CLIN?
  - c. CLIN 0013 - Perform minimum upgrades to existing elevators
    - i. Please clarify/specify the extent of "minimum upgrades" as it does not appear to be clearly defined in specifications/drawings.
  - d. CLIN 0006 & 0007 - What is the purpose of these 2 bid line items, if they are both inclusive of the base bid?

4. Regarding accessibility to the parking garage work areas.  
Will the contractor have access to the front of the parking garage for staging, hoisting and pumping.? Will the contractor be able to do this work after normal working hours.?
5. Will the contractors lay down area be directly in the back of the gym area.? Can the contractor access the work site directly from the lay down area to the parking garage.?
6. We do not believe that the work on the elevator house can be accomplished with the elevators in service. Is this your understanding as well.?

#### **PROJECT MANAGER'S RESPONSE**

1. Bid items in section 01 00 00 are included in CLIN 1-16. They were sub divided to ensure bidders understand scope of each element based on government cost estimate. The major cost of the work is in CLIN 0001.

2.a. CLIN 0001 Covers Structural/Arch of the Demo and construction of the parking structure. This covers the major cost of the project relating to the parking structure. CLIN 0001A-E was identified to substitute pricing from the ABD.

CLIN 0002-8 are self-explanatory. Bid prices for Mechanical, electrical, fire protection, elevator, temp parking, paint all.

- b. Work for levels 3 and 4-means include the pricing for all demo, renovation, construction on level 3&4 pricing. This work includes the bracing, signs, stall striping that is effected from the construction of Level 5.
  - c. Yes include cost.
3. a. CLIN 0001E is substituted for #8. See page 32-SS102 of drawings.
  - b. CLIN 0012 Is a deduct if the elevator does not extend to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor (see 32-SD113 deduct alternate #4 & Section E. Alternate No 4. Pg 01 00 00 -2). Provide the price if elevator is not extended to the new 5<sup>th</sup> floor.
  - c. CLIN 0013 is to modernized the existing elevator to the 4<sup>th</sup> floor. The existing elevators are old and if we cannot extend to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor we are looking to upgrade the existing.
  - d. CLIN 0006 & 0007 This pricing is at a different location from the parking structure, B32. Please provide the price for the gravel lot.
4. Phasing and scheduling is identified starting section 01 00 00 -6 section H. After hours and staging at entrance should be included in the pricing. Advance scheduling and approvals with several services, departments, management and users will be required to complete this project. All schedules will be approved with advance notice to the contracting representative

and the VA.

5. The VA will provide alternate laydown area on Tripler AMC. Routes will be discussed after award. Floors of B32 will also be considered as laydown areas.
6. See drawing 32-SD113, demolish elevator roof. The elevator will not be in service at certain points of the construction. Advance planning, scheduling, alternatives and approvals will be required to complete the project.

Note: Do not confuse Deduct Alternate numbers in drawings with the  
CLIN numbers

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| <b>TRACKING NO.:</b>                | <b>B32-P04</b>     | <b>AMENDMENT NO.: 1</b> |
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| <b>PROJECT NAME:</b>  | PIHCS – Expand Parking Garage | <b>DATE REQUESTED:</b>        | June 13, 2017                     |
| <b>SOLICITATION NO.:</b>  | VA261-17-B-0278               | <b>REFERENCE:</b>             |                                   |
| <b>DRAWING:</b>   | 32 SS-113                     | <b>SPECIFICATION SECTION:</b> | Bid Schedule CLIN 0001,0001A,0009 |
| <b>DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM OR INFORMATION BEING REQUESTED</b>  |                               |                               |                                   |
| <p><i>Please be specific as possible:</i></p> <p><b>A.</b> Most of perimeter structure are consist of parapet walls and edge beam underneath. In order to submit price for CLIN 0001A, we would like to clarify the following:</p> <p>a. Are all slab edge beam included by CLIN 0001A, or CLIN 0001E?</p> <p>b. Regarding <u>demolition of parapet wall</u> at levels 3-4, which CLIN items should we include the cost?</p> <p><b>B.</b> Per RFP drawings provided, all mansard roof parapet walls are consider as CMU wall. Please confirm whether mansard roof CMU wall is ABD (Alternative Bid Deductive).</p> <p><b>C.</b> Please confirm that all new structural members at Level P4 such as new columns, walls are included in CLIN 0001E.</p> |                               |                               |                                   |
| <b>PROJECT MANAGER'S RESPONSE</b>   |                               |                               |                                   |
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| <b>TRACKING NO.:</b> B32-P011   |                               | <b>AMENDMENT NO.:</b> 1       |                                   |
| <b>VA PROJECT ENGINEER/MANAGER:</b> Huan Nguyen   |                               | <b>DATE:</b> 7/14/17          |                                   |

A.

a. Are all slab edge beam included by CLIN 0001A, or CLIN 0001E? No. Slab edge are included in CLIN 0001. Refer to specs Vol 1 page 01 00 00 -2: B. ALTERNATE NO.1: CMU with skim coat in lieu of concrete at nonstructural walls. Edge beams will be structural. See drawings Detail 1 pg 32-SS402 Vol 1 page 01 00 00 -2

Note: Do not confuse CLIN number with Alternate Deduct number in drawing.

ALTERNATE NO.1: CMU with skim coat in lieu of concrete at nonstructural walls.

ALTERNATE NO. 2: CMU with skim coat at mansard roof in lieu of concrete walls.

ALTERNATE NO.3: Remove mansard roof at railing, use concrete profile 6d/as501 for railing. Delete all structural support and additional drainage. Use concrete scupper (typ.)

ALTERNATE NO.4: Elevators not to be retrofitted to parking level 5 - prep for future construction

ALTERNATE NO.5: Flat roofing finishes in lieu of sloped tile roofing. Concrete slab to remain. 12" parapet wall with roof finish system. See detail 5a/as502

ALTERNATE NO.6: Lower height of exterior CMU walls

ALTERNATE NO.7: Mini-upgrade to elevator: no upgrade to existing equipment, add rails, doors entrance frame, wiring and what is necessary to make the new floor active

ALTERNATE NO.8: Eliminate construction of a portion of level 5 parking slab

b.Demo of parapet walls will be required as part of CLIN 0001

B.Per RFP drawings provided, all mansard roof, parapet walls are consider as CMU wall. Please confirm whether mansard roof CMU wall is ABD (Alternative Bid Deductive)?

Mansard roof is Deductive Alternate No 3. Remove roof is "Deductive Alternate No 3" on drawing pg 32-SS114.

CMU in-lieu of Concrete is a substitute See Alternate No 1 & 2 and related Drawings detail 1 pg 32-SS402 and detail 5C pg 32-AS501. Do not confuse CLIN number with Alternate Number.

C.CLIN 0001E is ALTERNATE NO.8: Eliminate construction of a portion of level 5 parking slab. This substitute is for not building area on drawings pg 32-SS102  
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| SOLICITATION NO.:   | VA261-17-B-0278               | REFERENCE:             |                                   |
| DRAWING:  | 32 SS-301                     | SPECIFICATION SECTION: | Bid Schedule CLIN 0001,0001E,0005 |
| <b>DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM OR INFORMATION BEING REQUESTED</b>  |                               |                        |                                   |
| <p><i>Please be specific as possible:</i></p> <p><b>A. Please advise on which CLIN the HSS 4x2x3/16 Purlins for Stairwell 1, 2 and 3 will fall under?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. CLIN 0001 (Stair well #1)</li> <li>b. CLIN 0001C (slope roof structures)</li> <li>c. CLIN 0014 (Deductive Alt. #5)</li> </ul> <p><b>B. To avoid duplicate pricing, please confirm if base bid items must include ABD price.</b><br/> In case of concrete parapet based on detail 6A / AS 502, we assume that insulation &amp; metal flashing should be included by CLIN 0014.<br/> These item is excluded in base bid item CLIN 0001C.<br/> <b>Please confirm if above our assumption is correct.</b></p> |                               |                        |                                   |
| <b>PROJECT MANAGER'S RESPONSE</b>   |                               |                        |                                   |
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| TRACKING NO.: B32-P13   |                               | AMENDMENT NO.: 1       |                                   |
| VA PROJECT ENGINEER/MANAGER:<br>Huan Nguyen   |                               | DATE: 07/14/2017       |                                   |

Response

A. Please advise on which CLIN the HSS 4x2x3/16 Purlins for Stairwell 1, 2 and 3 will fall under?

a. CLIN 0001 (Stair well #1) This price shall not include cost for Sloped roof. See Drawing 32-SS301

b. CLIN 0001C (slope roof structures) This price shall be the cost for Sloped roof.

c. CLIN 0014 (Deductive Alt. #5) This price is for the cost the flat roof

B. To avoid duplicate pricing, please confirm if base bid items must include ABD price.

In case of concrete parapet based on detail 6A / AS 502, we assume that insulation & metal flashing should be included by CLIN 0014.

These item is excluded in base bid item CLIN 0001C.

CLIN 0001C and CLIN 0014 refer to each other.

Bid accordingly to sloped roof, CLIN 0001C and flat roof, CLIN 0014.

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The following scope is not show on the plans & is not clear.

1) Temp walls: Amendment 2 confirmed that the design drawings do not include, indicate or show the requirement for temporary walls? Is this required, given that this is a non-combustible structure that includes fire suppression and is not an enclosed building structure? **If so, please identify on the drawings so that this work can be quantified by all bidding contractors.**

2) Amendment #2, question #6 stated that Cast Stone Caps were not included in the construction, yet the specification section was applicable. However, drawing 32-AS 501/ Detail 6B indicates that Cast Stone Caps are included in the construction. **Please confirm at Cast Stone Cap scope of work is a requirement of this project. Please confirm the Cast Stone Cap applies at (3) locations at the new furred columns w/EFS. Please identify on the drawings so that this work can be quantified by all bidding contractors.**

3) **Please identify on the drawings** the areas where the Waterproofing/traffic coating applies. Please identify the start and stop points of the Waterproofing/traffic coating areas, and at which levels of the parking garage. As an example, levels 3 and below appear to have a waterproofing/traffic coating at the exterior parking stalls of the structure, but NOT on the drive aisles or interior parking stalls of the garage. The drawings do not show where, if at all, to apply waterproofing/traffic coating to level 4 or



the new level 5. **Please identify on the drawings so that this work can be quantified by all bidding contractors.**

4) Please identify on the drawings the extent of the base bid painting scope of work. Please define the limits or start/stop for "exterior painting". Is it to match existing painted surfaces, and not inclusive of existing exposed concrete surfaces? Deduct CLIN 0017 asks to paint (exterior) Parking Garage new addition to match existing color. Does this mean the exterior as seen by the elevation drawings or the whole 5<sup>th</sup> level including interior walls? .

5) The entire scope of work for the elevator portion of this project is confusing. Please clarify the following questions regarding the elevator scope of work.

A) Is the base bid to replace existing elevator system with a new one, to service all 5 levels?  
OR Is the base bid to extend the existing elevator system to the new 5<sup>th</sup> level, using existing elevator system? **Please confirm the appropriate CLIN item this scope of work is associated with.**

B) CLIN 0012 elevators retrofitted to level 4: Please define, specifically, what scope of work

C) CLIN 0012 elevators retrofitted to level 4: Please confirm that if elevator service to the new 5<sup>th</sup> level is deleted from award, that the contractor is or is not required to build the structural elevator housing to the 5<sup>th</sup> level as well as the construction the 5<sup>th</sup> level elevator lobby, and to what extent the lobby is completed, etc.?

D) Please confirm that if CLIN 0013 perform minimum upgrades to existing elevators Please define, specifically, what scope of work constitutes "minimum upgrades to existing elevators."

E) It looks like there are (2) deduct on the elevator scope of work. Does this mean that only one of the deducts can be taken? Either CLIN 0012 or CLIN 0013?

**Please explicitly identify the scope of work regarding the elevator options of this solicitation, so that this work can be quantified by all bidding contractors.**

6) Please confirm that drawings 32-AS115 & 32-AS116 are the correct drawing sheets for the striping and wheel stop layout?

7) Please confirm that the Base Bid Award will be issued as a Lump Sum of CLINs 1-8 and not any variation of CLINs 1-8?

#### **PROJECT MANAGER'S RESPONSE**

1. Temp wall: AE Response: Refer to specification section 01-00 00 6, H. Phasing and I. Construction Fence: barricades and temporary construction walls are "means and methods" and should be provided by the Contractor as required to conform to safety regulations and public safety during phasing, etc.

2. Cast Stone are located at 3 new furred out columns as indicated in drawings. See RFI 2 Amend and RFI 6.

3. Traffic paint: AE Response: no new traffic coating. Only repair damaged areas during construction

4. Exterior Paint: VA Response: CLIN 00017 only includes exterior and interior paint due to the expansion of adding the 5th floor. CLIN 008 is to paint exterior of existing levels basement to 4 Building 32 and the new level.

5. VA Response:

A. & B. Elevator CLIN 0005 (base) is the price to include work for the new elevator to the 5th floor. See SECTION 14 24 20 HYDRAULIC ELEVATOR EXTENSION Indicates what can be reused.

CLIN 0012 is substitute for the base CLIN 0005. If this is substituted, the elevators will travel only to the 4th floor.

C. If deduct CLIN 0012 is substituted, the new elevator shaft and new lobby will not be required for the new floor.

D. Minimum upgrade is in the specs for Alternate No 7

5. E. VA Response: 2 deducts. One for Alternate No. 4 and one for Alternate No 7 in the VA specs.

6. AE Response: Provide one (1) Wheel Stop for every two (2) parking spaces, centered between the two parking spaces

7. Yes. CLIN 1-8 is the base bid for total price. ABD will be substitute with the base bid.

**TRACKING NO.:** B32-P014A

**AMENDMENT NO.:** 2

**VA PROJECT ENGINEER/MANAGER:** Huan Nguyen

Date: 7/14/2017