

Questions and Answers:

Question 1: - Bid Items/Alternates

1.3 Statement of Bid Item(s) on page 16 of the specifications lists Bid Items I, II and III which I assume total to be the Base Bid. Then there are 5 deductive alternates listed and described. Drawing Sheet G-001 lists Deductive Alternates and Add Alternates that are numbered in a different sequence. Please clarify the correct Base Bid and Alternate Items we are to price are as listed in the Specifications 1.3 Statement of Bid Items.

Answer 1: The deduct/add alternates listed on G-001 are not correct. Price the five (5) deducts as listed and clarified in the scope of work, which are the same as listed in the specs.

Question 2: Signage

Who is responsible for providing and installing signage for means of egress?

Answer 2: The VA will provide egress signage and will work with the contractor for installation and display. Contractor shall provide adequate notification when new or additional signage is needed, (i.e. 2 weeks prior)

Question 3: Existing Coffee Bar

Will the coffee bar remain open during construction? If it is, who is responsible for signage and customer protection in the construction area?

Answer 3: The coffee bar will remain open during times that do not conflict with construction. When construction is being performed in the immediate are of the coffee bar or access to the coffee bar would be prohibited by construction activities then the coffee bar will be closed. This will need to be coordinated in advance with the COR so the owners of the coffee bar can be notified (absent the occurrence of a safety issue.

Question 4: Laydown/Staging

Where will the contractor be allowed to stage materials for this project (laydown area)?

Answer: N200 and/or P201. These two areas are part of the construction plan, but are not under construction in the same phase. Contractor can alternate between the two spaces or

use them both. If additional space is needed, COR will coordinate with Interior Design for additional space.

Question 5: Dumpsters

Where will the contractor be allowed to locate dumpsters for this project?

Answer: Dumpsters shall be located in the general vicinity outside the ground floor loading dock area where it will not interfere with traffic or personnel.

Question 6: Bid guarantee

Is an electronic copy of bid guarantee acceptable?

Answer: Please submit hard copies of bid guarantees.

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Question 9: Proposal break down templet?

Can you supply proposal break down templet?

Answer: Spreadsheet is attachment to Amendment A0002.

Question 10: Man lifts (scissor lifts)

Can we use man lifts (scissor lifts) in the 2story open area or will scaffolding be required?

Answer: Yes, scissor lifts can be used; however, users will be required to tie off per VA guidelines.

Question 11: Deliveries

Can the main 2nd floor entrance be used for deliveries during normal business hours?

Answer: No, deliveries shall be made through the ground floor loading dock. The loading dock provides access to the service elevator.

Question 12: Guards

Spec section 01 00 00 1.5 C guards: Are guards required? Can we substitute hard locked barriers instead of guards?

Answer: Guards are not required. Locked barriers are permitted.

Question 13: Starbucks

Will Starbucks be closed during the project? If no can you please provide access path?

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Question 14: Laydown/parking

Where will a laydown/parking area be?

Answer: Laydown space may be provided if space is available at the rear of the building. Contractor will need to coordinate with COR closer to Notice to Proceed.

Question 15: NPDES permit

Spec section 01 00 00 1.9 D says that a NPDES permit is required. Is this correct?

Answer: No, this permit is not required.

Question 16: Office for COR

10) Spec section 01 00 00 1.15 A(2nd) Office for COR. Is this in the scope of this project? If yes: It is not shown on drawings where is it to be located? Where is it to be relocated?

Answer: No, the COR/Engineer's office is not part of the scope of this project.

Question 17: Storage space

Spec section 01 00 00 1.27 A storage space for VA: where is it to be located and what is the sq. footage of the space.

Answer: Contractor is not required to provide storage space for the VA.

Question 18: Elevator use

Spec section 01 00 00 1.18 A elevator use: which elevator and what hours will be available for our use?

Answer: The service elevator located on the N-side of the building will be available for use (will require a special key) any time during the day.

Question 19: Photographic documentation

Spec section 01 00 01 1.30 photographic documentation: Because of the small size and scope of the project can we replace this requirement by attaching/imbedding photos in the daily report?

Answer: The VA will not require this level of photographic documentation as required by this specification. The VA will accept photos taken by camera or phone supplied in the daily report or as a separate document.

Question 20: SSHO

Spec section 01 35 26 SSHO: Because of the small size and scope of the project can the superintendent (have dual role) fulfill this position instead of a dedicated person?

Answer: Yes, this can be a dual role.

Question 21: Missing Spec section 01 45 29

Spec section 01 45 29 is indexed in table of contents but is not in the body of the specs. Is this specification within the scope of this project? If yes can you please provide specification?

Answer: It is not, disregard this section.

Question 22: LEED

Is this a LEED certified project?

Answer: no, it is not a LEED certified project.

Question 23: Asbuilts

Can you supply asbuilts of the existing atrium L202 ceiling framing?

Answer: Asbuilts of the building are limited and may not contain adequate information. They will be supplied and attached, but contractor may be required to perform site survey above ceiling.

Question 24: Existing grid system?

Drawing AD-131 note 10: what is the existing grid system?

Answer: Areas pertaining to note 10 do not contain an existing grid system.

Question 25: Material interface detail

19) Drawing AD-131 note 10 does sheet rock need to be reinstalled as part of Tuvalu system? If no can you provide detail on transition from the raw edge of existing sheet rock and Dow corning sound board A-503 detail 7?

Answer: Answer is pending from AE. Once received, this will be posted.

Question 26: Drawing G-004 need door

Drawing G-004 detail C “cut through @ vending area need door: Where is door to be installed? Can you please include in door and hardware schedule? Is door to be removed and wall to be infilled and returned to original state? If yes can you please include required finishes?

Answer: Door will be installed in wall East of the vending area. This is a temporary door that will later be removed and the wall will be returned to its original state. The door shall be a 20 min. smoke rated door with closer and shall latch. It can be a construction door (metal preferred) which can later be used as a construction entrance if necessary.

Question 27: Window film

Drawing I-601 room finish legend, misc. finishes has window film listed but it is not in finish schedule or specifications. Is window film in the scope of the project? if yes, can you please provide specification and locations for window film?

Answer: Yes, film type is on Room finish legend (basis of design). See A-201, Elevation #4 (south), entire wall of windows receives film.

Question 28: Example furniture plan I-103

Drawing I-103 titled "example" /note informational purpose only. Is furniture as shown on I-103 to be provided as part of the scope of the project?

Answer: Furniture is VA provided and not part of the scope of the project.