

Solicitation VA262-12-R-1612
VA Sample Project 600-12-148 "Renovation and Expansion of Dental Clinic"
RFI Questions and Responses: Design (Amendment 8)

1.	<p>Question: On the RFI Question and Response (Design) item 6 states that all equipment on sheet AS-632 shall be furnished and installed by the contractor, yet on the just issued sheet AS-632 it has many items that are O/O, O/V, V/V, C/C, O/C and there are a bunch that are blank. Is your response attempting to say that the contractor is responsible for furnishing and installing all items that are blank, plus all of the C/C or are you saying we are responsible for furnishing and installing every single item on the sheet regardless of what the furnish and install code says? In addition, Response number 45 appears to conflict with response number 6 referenced above. In response number 45 you say to refer to the medical equipment schedule supplement and cut sheets; therefore, please clarify what takes precedence item number 6 which says we are to provide everything on sheet AS-632 or response 45 which states to provide the items per the medical equipment schedule supplement, which I assume you mean is the 27 page documents issued by Freeman Planning Inc. dated 3/1/2012 as part of amendment 6?</p> <p>Response: refer to supplemental equipment schedule by Freeman Planning Inc. (27-page) issued with 100% CD submittal which is a complete equipment schedule with all information requested.</p>
2.	<p>Question: On the same AS-632, the majority of the table is not completed, example being length, width, height, weight, manufacture, model, location, detail reference. Can you please provide a completed equipment schedule?</p> <p>Response: refer to supplemental equipment schedule by Freeman Planning Inc. (27-page) issued with 100% CD submittal which is a complete equipment schedule with all information requested.</p>
3.	<p>Question: Is a substitution of thermoformed signs for the cast acrylic signs acceptable? See attached.</p> <p>Response: The documents attached depict actual signs used at the VA with the wave design, brown and silver accents. The signs shown in the docs show a simple sign style vs. the more stylized sign currently in use. Proposed sign will be acceptable if signs the signage company can match the finish and style of the VA signs. . Signage will match the color and finish of VA signage with the wave. Sign material: 9" x9" x 3/8" thick aluminum custom made window plaques with applied room number and braille and printed vinyl insert. Non-glare, clear acrylic with brushed aluminum trims. Signs are back painted. Mounting: wall surface mounted. Font: Helvetica Medium. Color and finish See attached signage sheet for examples.</p>
4.	<p>Question: 1. Please provide clarification regarding RFI #6 Design: Response states: All equipment on the schedule (AS-632) where responsibility is blank will be furnished and installed by the contractor. The Freeman Planning Schedule is in direct conflict with the direction provided in this RFI response. Freeman Planning Schedule noted below items in conflict:</p> <p>A. Bin0019 by Shred-it Inc. O/V (owner furnished/vendor installed) Freeman Planning schedule: O/O</p> <p>B. CAB 0561 Justrite Manufacturing O/C: O/O</p> <p>C. CAR 0261 Lakeside Manufacturing O/O: O/O</p> <p>D. CHR0206 Midmark Procedure Chair O/O: O/O the contractor will be responsible for providing power</p> <p>E. CHR0500 A-Dec Inc O/O: O/O</p> <p>F. XRD0072 Planmeca 77" arm O/V: AS-632 shows O/C: O/V is correct. See note in Response below.</p> <p>G. XRD5630 On Freeman Planning schedule 83" Long Arm Plan Meca O/V: Schedule AS-632 States XRD5930 (incorrect) AS-632 should read XRD 5630. Please follow Freeman Planning Schedule: O/V is correct</p> <p>H. XRD0000 X-Ray Control Panel is not provided on Freeman Planning Schedule:</p> <p>Xray control panels are included in the equipment package provided and installed by Xray Vendor. See cut sheets for mounting and wiring information. All backing plate is by the GC.</p> <p>Response: noted within question.</p> <p>XRD0075 Xray Panographic to be O/V. See also RFI #11.</p>
5.	<p>Question: 1. Please provide responsibility for placing structural supports of rail required for patient lift stations. There were 5 pages added to the drawings L-00 thru L-04, not shown on the Cover Sheet GI-000 It would be understood from the Freeman Planning Schedule that 1 ceiling mount lift is provided in room D 232, who has the responsibility of placing the structural supports above the lift? It is declared in the Freeman Planning schedule states O/O.</p> <p>Response: The GC will install the patient lift equipment. Lifting capacity must accommodate patients</p>

	weighing up to 770 pounds, have the ability to weigh the patient, and be able to electronically monitor the usage of the equipment. The contractor shall install per manufacturer's warranty installation requirements , for example, by being fully trained, qualified and licensed (if applicable) to install patient lifts. Operation of the system must be smooth with no fast or jerky starts and stops. Contractor to install with anchorage per detail 7/SS-302 . See attached patient safety alert.
6.	<p>Question: The Amend 06 - 01 91 00 General commissioning specs. did not include the scope identified in section 1.3 on page 4 of the attached. The original specifications that section 1.3 referred to did not include the following:</p> <p>B. Section 07 08 00 FACILITY EXTERIOR CLOSURE COMMISSIONING. (Missing)</p> <p>C. Section 21 08 00 COMMISSIONING OF FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS. (Missing)</p> <p>I. Section 31 08 00 COMMISSIONING OF UTILITIES. (Missing)</p> <p>Response: Based upon Scope of the work for this project, Section 07 08 00 FACILITY EXTERIOR CLOSURE COMMISSIONING and Section 31 08 00 COMMISSIONING OF UTILITIES are NOT APPLICABLE.</p> <p><u>Please see attached revised Sections:</u> 01 91 00 General Commissioning Requirements (Part 1.3 Related Work updated) and Section 21 08 00 COMMISSIONING OF FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS.</p>
7.	<p>Question: RFI response 46. Please confirm that the only work we as the contractor is responsible for in relation to the relocation of the VSO is to pick up from the existing VSO and move to the new VSO location the equipment and furniture shown on sheet AS-005, and all other renovations/modifications will be performed by someone else?</p> <p>Response: The VA will be responsible for relocating furniture, file cabinets, and desk from B126- B162. All renovation and modification in B162 VSO will be performed by the VA. (This RFI supersedes previous RFI)</p>
8.	<p>Question: A specification was issued for signage, however a signage schedule has not been issued. Please provide a signage schedule and/or clarification to the specification.</p> <p>Response: All rooms will have signage. Signage will match the color and finish of VA signage with the wave. Sign material: 9" x9" x 3/8" thick aluminum custom made window plaques with applied room number and braille and printed vinyl insert. Non-glare, matte finish, clear acrylic with brushed aluminum trims. Signs are back painted. Mounting: wall surface mounted. Font: Helvetica Medium. Color and finish See attached for drawing examples.</p>
9.	<p>Question: Is the contractor responsible for relocating VSO employees and furnishings into Building 162 or will the VA coordinate and move them?</p> <p>Response: The VA will be responsible for relocating the furniture, chairs, desk and all decorative items. GC is responsible for moving all medical equipment.</p>
10.	<p>Question: What are the work hours for this project? Will work be required to be performed at night Or on weekends?</p> <p>Response: The normal working hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Off hours, if required, are between 4:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. The VA has the right to stop work and redirect the contractor to work off hours in the event that the noise or vibration is an issue to the patients.</p>
11.	<p>Question: Who is responsible for moving the Xray machine and digital board into the temporary location and back to its permanent location? If contractor is responsible for moving, please provide the make and model of the Xray machine.</p> <p>Response: The GC will move the X-ray machines (and control panels) by a certified technician and back to its permanent location with the network digital board and cable and reroute and moving of the data. GC's certified technician will be responsible for its installation and certify that the equipment is operational. The make of the X-ray machine and model no is "Planmeca"IXW65 Intra Oral X-ray Wall mounted.</p>
12.	<p>Question: There are "Options" listed on some of the drawings but the Pricing is lump sum. Please clarify the intent of these options and if there is Bid Option Pricing which needs to be submitted with the Price Proposal.</p> <p>Response: AS112D Delete deductive alternates. AS113- Delete deductive alternates.</p>
13.	<p>Question: Please clarify if all flooring is to have a concrete sealer applied prior to installing new flooring.</p> <p>Response: Yes- provide concrete sealer throughout entire project area - ref. note 21B, sheet AS-622.</p>
14.	<p>Question: General Demolition Plan Note #9 "Contractor shall coordinate with VA Project Engineer or other representative(s) for removal, tagging, safe transfer, and storage of all F.F.E. to be stored for re-use and re-installation." Please clarify if the contractor's responsibility is limited to "coordination" or is the actual removal, tagging, transfer and storage the contractor's responsibility? Who is providing the storage space?</p>

	Response: VA will be moving all furniture, chairs, items not bolted to the floor or wall and store. GC is responsible for moving all items that is fixed and bolted to the floor or walls.
15.	Question: Who is responsible for moving the 4 existing operatories from Phase II into Phase I? Response: For build-out of Phase I (Endodontic dept.), all FFE to be Furnished/Installed according to schedule designations. See first set RFI #14 for other coordination with VA.
16.	Question: Specifications 081113 and 081400 do not match what is shown on the Door Schedule AS-612. 081113 specify hollow metal welded frames but the plans show details for Timely Steel Frames Knockdown pre-finished frames. The Door Schedule indicates "HM" but the details are Timely. AS-612 also calls for the frames to be field painted but Timely frames should be factory finished. 081400 specify wood pre-finished wood veneer doors but there is no reference to the veneer choice. AS-612 indicates match Acrovyn 4000-701 Ginger Root. Does this mean the doors are Acrovyn high impact doors? There is no reference to Acrovyn in the spec. Please clarify the correct type of frames and doors for this project. Response: VA specs govern. Use Hollow metal frame welded spec section 081113 and 081400- prefinished Frames may be pre-finished in color to <u>match BM "Metallic Gray"</u> as per plan. Samples shall be submitted for approval. Field painting of frames is also acceptable. Color samples to be submitted for approval. Ref. Spec Section 099100 for painting metal. Acrovyn high impact veneer doors to be used as per plans. Match color specified on AS-612. See attached (08210) for Acrovyn Doors.
17.	Question: The specification 081113 and 081400 don't match what is shown on the door schedule AS-612. 081113 is Hollow Metal welded frames, the plans show details for Timely Steel Frames Knockdown pre-finished. Please clarify. Response: Same as #16- see above
18.	Question: AS-612 Doors Schedule indicates "HM" but the details are Timely, Also AS-610 indicates HM frames to be field painted this is a difficult task, Timely should be factory finished. Please clarify. Response: See #16 above
19.	Question: 081400 Wood Doors specs are for wood pre-finished veneer doors – there is no reference to the veneer choice for this project. Please clarify. Response: Refer to AS-612 Door Schedule Notes for Acrovyn finish color. See also #16 above.
20.	Question: Please provide the location of the Expanded Metal Mesh and Woven Wire Mesh specified in 057000 Decorative Metal Fabrications. Response: EMM is detailed in the roof screens- 12/AS-508.
21.	Question: Can a trash chute be used for removal of debris from 2 nd floor or should trash be hauled out through building's main hallways, stairways, and elevators? Response: The trash will be hauled out and through designated hallways and elevators.
22.	Question: Does contractor need to move existing furniture between each phase or does the VA do this on their own? Response: The GC will be moving the furniture between each phase.
23.	Question: Approximately how many existing offices make up VSO? Response: See Phase I Demolition plan AD-102 in Amendment dated 12/10/2012 for info.
24.	Question: Concerning drawing ES-202A: - Note #1 says to provide a fiber optic run to an existing IT room, but does not say where that room is or what type or size of fiber optic cable needed. It just says to coordinate with the IT people for the complete requirements before bid. I looked in the RFI docs and there wasn't any mention of it there either. What are the complete requirements? - Note #2 says to provide a fiber optic switch. What are the IT requirements for this? The note says, once again, to coordinate with IT prior to bid. Response: Air blown fiber- Sumitomo- See attached SOP from VALB Information Technology for the requirements.
25.	Question: SEN0001 Sensors- Planmeca USA Digital Sensors; do you have a model number or better description of the exact Sensors you require? Response: Planmeca Sensors are included with equipment provided by Xray equipment manufacturer. Please refer to Freeman Planning Inc, supplemental equipment schedule- Xray machine equipment is O/C.