Project: Port Townsend, WA Main Office Exterior Restorations

Project Number: B14633

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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION and RESPONSES:

Federal Preservation Officer

Reference Data: Specification 011001ra-H-1

Q1: Specification states "Federal Preservation Officer (FPO) approval is required for any change, addition or removal of historic structural fabric or historic property." Has an FPO already been determined for this project. Will they be readily available for decision making during construction?

A1: The project scope and documents received approval from the Department if Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP), under Project Tracking Code: 2021-08-05225, where the scope of work was deemed to have "NO Adverse Effect". No changes will be permitted that does not fit within the established and approved scope of work.

Exterminator

Reference Data: Specification 017300 - 2,4

Q2: Specification states at the conclusion of the project the GC is directed to "Engage an experienced licensed exterminator to make a final inspection, and rid project of rodents, insects, and other pests. Comply with regulations of local authorities having jurisdiction." Please confirm this will be required. **A2: No. This will be removed by Amendment A01.**

Sealing all Joints

Reference Data: Specification 079000 - 6,B

Q3: Specification states numerous locations where sealant joints are to be replaced. Are we to assume removing and replacing all per spec? (For example, all bath fixtures are covered in this section, are we to assume all restroom fixtures sealants are to be removed and replaced? Similarly, all interior and exterior floor surfaces).

A3: Sealant joints locations are only in relation to the project scope of work as identified in the drawings. If there is no scope listed for restrooms, there is no expectation by the contract to replace those joints.

Glass Warranty

Reference Data: Specification 088000 - 2, B1

Q4: Specification states, "Include coverage for cracking, breakage, and replacement of same. Warranty Period: 1 year." Are we to include warranty on the glazing for breakage?

A4: Yes, this is breakage due to micro fissures or freeze thaw, not malicious damage.

Painting Railings

Reference Data: Specification 099100 - 9, 3.9

Q5: Specification states, " all exterior surfaces including but not limited to metal railings, metal grades, wood windows, wood doors" (should be painted). Please confirm all the previously mentioned should be repainted or confirm locations.

A5: Yes, Paint all railings. See sheet A0.1 and elevation sheets A2.0, A2.1 & A2.2 for guardrails locations.

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Wood Floors

Reference Data: Specification 060140ra-H-2, D ; 060141ra-H-4, A

Q6: Specification states "Remove existing finish by sanding two or three times until bare wood is exposed. Repair scratched or broken boards. Do not replace boards unless approved by the Contracting Officer." Specification also states: "Sand the floor with an orbital sander to remove stains, old finish, and indentations in the wood. Sand in direction of wood grain."

Are we to refinish wood floors on this project? If so, please identify the locations.

A6: Refinish of wood floors is not part of this project scope. Please apply the repair to the project scope as outlined. See new section 060141ra-H Refinishing Interior Wood – Amendment A01.

Security Film

Reference Data: Specification 088000 - 3,2.2

Q7: Specification states, "security film of a minimum 0.007 inch (0.1778 mm) on the inner side of panel. Film shall be translucent like sand blasted glazing." Please confirm where this is to be installed. **A7: No security film is included in the project scope.**

Boiler Room Windows

Reference Data: Site Visit and Drawings A2.2, below photos



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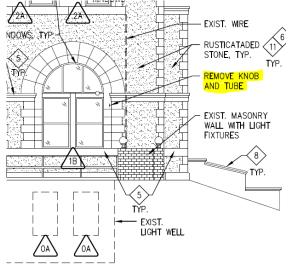
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Q8: In the basement, there exists windows through which ducting passes. This condition exists in the boiler room on (3) windows. We are proposing to finish these windows in place. Please confirm or provide direction. **A8: Yes. Repair of windows and sashes can be performed in place.**

Knob & Tube

Reference Data: Drawing A2.2, drawing snip below



Q9: Please confirm the extent of the knob & tube removal, if applicable. **A9: Delete the note "Remove knob & Tube".**

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