SOLICITATION # 36C77624B0021

PROJECT NAME: Patient Aligned Care Team (PACT) Clinic

<u>Building 4 First Floor – Construction – St. Cloud VA Medical Center (VAMC)</u>

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS AND VA RESPONSE TRACKING SHEET

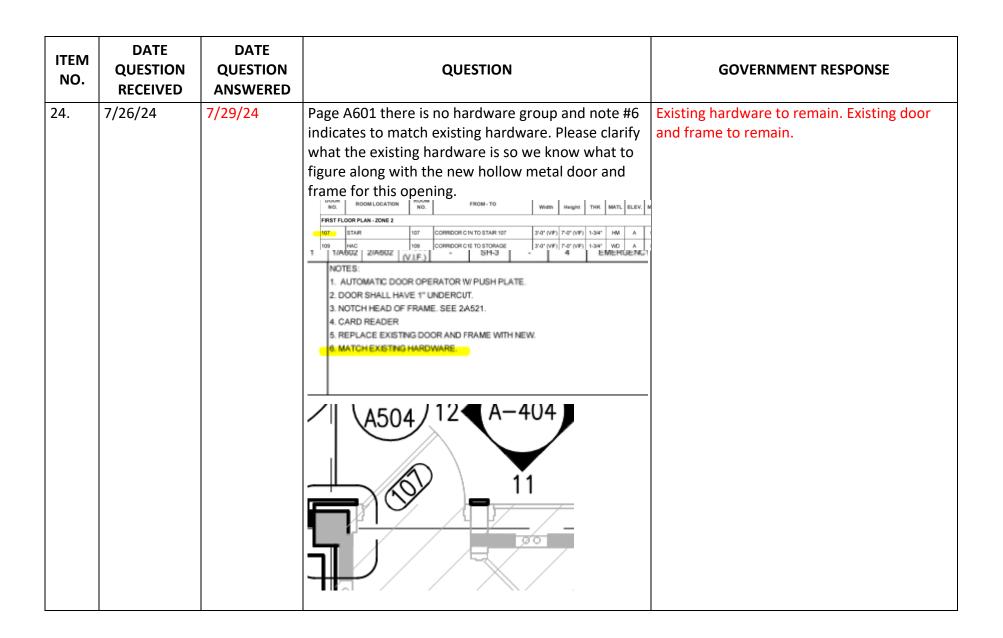
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1.	7/17/24	7/23/24	Is this project tax-exempt? If yes, will a certificate be issued? This project is not tax-exempt be issued?		
2.	7/17/24	7/26/2024	Is there space within the VA that the general contractor can utilize as a field office? See GC101 Note D, Keynote 4		
3.	7/17/24	7/26/2024	Can the Superintendent double hat as either the SSHO or QCM?	See 01 35 26 (1.7) (C)	
4.	7/17/24	7/26/2024	Can the Superintendent triple hat as the SSHO and QCM?	No	
5.	7/24/24	7/24/24	Attachment 11 Division Cost Breakdown – Can the GC use their own estimate worksheet to complete their estimates?	Please used the attachment 11 worksheet	
6.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	01 35 26 - 1.7 – SSHO - Does the project SSHO need to be a separate individual from the superintendent	See 01 35 26 (1.7) (C)	
7.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	Reference Specification Section 01 45 00 3.4 Quality Control Organization Paragraph B- Please confirm that the CQC manager can also perform duties as the site superintendent	No- (the reference they are citing doesn't indicate they are one in the same, it says they "have duties as project superintendent." Which is accurate, they are both responsible for QC- QC has a big enough job with submittals and daily inspections and reports, as does superintendent.	
8.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	05 12 00 – 1.5 – Will the VA considerer waiving the AISC fabricator and Installer certifications?	NO- Professionalism is an industry standard at this level.	

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9.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	GC 101- Crane – looking at the drawing it looks like the VA has a specific crane in mind when creating this general site plan, can the VA provide additional information on crane and how this location was determined?	Means and Methods, Plans 3 and 4 on this sheet are only intended to show: 1. Fencing and gate requirements. 2. Minimum clearance requirements for adjacent traffic lane. 3. Requirement for clear area for building occupant means of egress. 4. Identification of a grease trap in the area proposed for crane staging. 5. Restriction to be placed on crane jib movement so as to protect occupants in other occupied areas of Building 4.
10.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	GC 101- Crane - How will the jib only swing over the designated area as shown on GC101?	Means and Methods, The designated area is diagrammatic only. The intent of the diagram is to make the contractor aware that other areas of Building 4 may be occupied during construction and that care shall be taken to both restrict movement of the crane jib as possible and to coordinate movement requirements with the VA. Actual movement of the jib may vary contingent upon the type of crane the contractor deems is required.
11.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	S200 – Detail 1 – Shows there to be existing mircopiles @ 6'-0" staggered, these are currently not installed, correct?	Correct

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12.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	S200 – Detail 1 – When will the contractor have these micropiles installed?	Scheduled for completion Oct 10, 2024	
13.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	S0101 - 2.2 – Shows that the existing contractor should have completed the underpinning of the structure as well, looking on site it seems that is not complete. When will these be complete?	Scheduled for completion Oct 10, 2024	
14.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	Sheet S010 Section 2.2 lists shoring and underpinning as delegated design. Can the VA confirm there is no new underpinning as a part of this project, and it will be completed by the existing contractor responsible for installing?	No new underpinning is expected.	
15.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	Sheets SF101 & SF 102 Notes 10 and 9 - Looking through the drawings when are not seeing the design intent on how the AHU will get into the basement after the structural concrete is complete. Can the VA provide their design intent and thoughts on how they anticipated setting the AHU in the basement on the equipment pad?	Means and Methods, Note 9 references the opening for duct shafts. The contractor will need to determine the sequence of construction and scheduling the ordering of the AHU and other mechanical systems. Possible options for sequence: 1. Place the AHU before the concrete work for the first floor is started. 2. AHU to be brought into the building in small enough sections that it can be moved through one of the existing accesses into the basement and then assembled in the mechanical room.	

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16.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	Sheets SF101 & SF 102 Notes 10 and 9 - Provide the design route to move the AHU into the basement or a structural detail for a leave out section in the structural slabs for the roof and 1st floor?	See response on Item 15.	
17.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	GI 411 – Looking through the ICRA plan it shows 4 phases to the project. This is just to show the 4 different ICRA setups and not showing this project to be constructed in phases, correct? Can the VA confirm this is not a phased project and areas of work shown are available at date of NTP?	The intent of GI411 is to show proposed ICRA set up phasing only. Refer to 01 00 00 (1.6) (I) The project areas will be vacated by the VA and available at the date of NTP.	
18.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	Spec 01 00 00 – 1.30-C requires a commercial photographer. Is a professional photographer required or can the General contractor take and provide photos?	Photographer must meet specifications of 01 00 00 (1.30)	
19.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	01 00 00 1.34.C - Will the VA being doing their own inspections or will contractors have to hire 3rd party inspections? Can the VA provide a list of the 3rd party inspections required throughout this project?	Refer 01 00 00 and 01 45 35	
20.	7/24/24	7/26/2024	01 91 00 1.8.C – Does the VA know who they will be using as a commissioning agent?	Specification 01 91 00 (1.9) (A) will be removed as it will not be the VA's responsibility to appoint the Commissioning Agent. Specification 01 91 00 (1.19) is revised to read, "The General Contractor shall provide an individual, company or firm to act as the Commissioning Agent."	

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21.	7/24/24	7/24/24	Solicitation – Note 10 – Does the VA plan to find more funds to complete this project if all bids received are over \$9.9 million?	Please bid in accordance with what was provided in the solicitation.
22.	7/24/24	7/24/24	Due to the size of the project and complexity of design, will the VA be able to extend the RFI questions deadline and bid submission deadline?	At this time the RFI question deadline and bid submission will not be extended at this time
23.	7/26/24	7/29/24	PTB-1 and PT-2 are both discontinued. Would you be able to provide an alternate selection? Dwg I-600 PDF # 65 Interiors – Room Finish Schedule Dwg I-601 PDF # 66 Interiors – Room Finish Legend Both call for: Porcelain Tile Base Daltile Porcelain / 1/8 grout spacing Color: Plaza Nova – PN95, Size 6" x 12"	Comply with latest Station Standard for porcelain tile for toilet rooms.



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25.	7/29/24	7/29/24	Ref drawing AD103 & A101.2- Is door and frame 107 being replaced? Interior elevation symbol references detail 11 on drawing A-404 but detail 11 does not provide a view of the stairwell and elevator door openings. Will clarification be provided?	Existing door and frame to remain.