

November 29, 2022

East Providence – Riverside Middle School Window Replacement Project

PRE-BID RFI QUESTIONS & RESPONSES

1. Drawing A-651 calls for 1 3/4" thick doors, Specification section 07 43 13 calls for Insulpor 2 1/4" doors. Which is correct?

Answer: Provide Specification section 07 43 13 Insulpor 2 1/4" doors.

2. Basis of design does not meet design criteria. Manufacturer suggests: 1600Wall system 1, IR501T, or, if the DP is under 45psf, it could be Trifab451T.

Answer: Use 1600 Wall system 1

3. Will there be any tinted glass on this project? If so, what color?

Answer: No

4. Will existing aluminum and glass need to be disposed of as ACM?

Answer: Unknown at this time. ECM Inc. is conducting testing and results will not be available until mid-December. Please provide an alternate fee for if ACM disposal is needed for the aluminum and glass.

5. Spec section 09 96 00, 1.04 mentions sandblasting as prep for steel lintel. Is sandblasting required or would use of wire wheel w/ grinder suffice?

Answer: Price sandblasting and the Project Team can review a mock-up as the project proceeds.

6. Spec section 01 20 00, 1.2, should contingency be carried in base bid or will owner carry?

Answer: Owner will carry contingency.

7. It is unlikely that windows can be removed without removing sill, should sills be included in base bud rather than as an alternate?

Answer: Submit as an alternate.

8. Architect's Drawings, Sheet A6.02, Window Details: Details 1, 2, 9 and 12 all show two piece head receptor located directly under steel lintel/ brick shelf. In this location, the fasteners that attach the two piece receptor to the substrate will penetrate the steel lintel and/ or (if present) the thru-wall flashing atop the steel lintel, creating a water infiltration issue.

Please provide a different window location inside ← or outside → so the steel lintel thru-wall flashing are not compromised. A deeper window assembly is also an option.

Answer: Details 1, 2, 9, & 12 on A-602 – Provide strap anchors back to interior steel or masonry lintel. Details 1 & 12 includes ¾" trim to hide strap. Add same ¾" trim to details 2 & 9.

9. Architect's Drawings, Sheet A6.02, Window Details: Detail 1 shows the window frame sub-sill / sill starter located so it bridges the exterior brick veneer and the interior CMU back-up. In this position, the fastener for this framing member most likely falls into the void between the two masonry components. There will be an issue with anchoring the sub-sill/ sill starter. It is unlikely that windows can be removed without removing sill, should sills be included in base bud rather than as an alternate?

Please advise, in detailed description how this item should be addressed. A different location inside ← or outside → or a deeper window assembly are also options.

Answer: Detail 1 on A-602 – As shown in the detail (however not noted), provide ¾" plywood to rough opening sill for product attachment.

REMINDER– RFP Submission Deadline is Friday, December 9th, 2022 at 10:00am. There will be a public bid opening immediately following the submission deadline at 1998 Pawtucket Avenue, East Providence, RI.