

Addendum No. 0001

Project: Fire Alarm Upgrade – Wheeler Hall – Brenham Campus
Project No. 230951
Date: 2/29/2024

This Addendum forms a part of the Contract Documents. This addendum modifies and supplements the Contract Documents as described herein for the afore referenced Project and includes:

- Two (2) page narrative
- Zero (0) attachment(s)
- Zero (0) revised drawing sheet(s)



Questions from Contractors

1. Currently there are only 3 duct detectors in the building. There are duct detectors shown in the attic space I believe for the units that bring outside air but are not installed. Do we know the CFM of these or any/all of the units to verify locations and sizing of these?
 - a. **RESPONSE: The owner can provide as-built mechanical drawings. There is one unit on each floor in the mechanical room across from the elevators that exceeds 2000CFM. The three (3) ERU units in the attic also exceed 2000 CFM.**
2. Currently the bid documents show attic smoke detectors. When the original building was constructed, the fire company omitted the detectors in the attic, but ran wire to the locations. Should we install these? And if so, would it be better to put high temp heats in the attic?
 - a. **RESPONSE: Since the attic space is sprinkled, smoke detectors would not be required in the attic space. Leave the existing wiring in place but the devices can be eliminated from the scope.**
3. There are currently sounder bases in the "common areas" and on the bid documents it shows regular smoke detectors only. Are we to exclude sounder bases in the "common areas" of the dorms and just wire nut the power wires together?
 - a. **RESPONSE: Sounder bases are only required in sleeping rooms. Sounder bases can be eliminated in the common rooms as there are either AV devices in the space of close to the space.**
4. Please provide Mechanical Schedules to verify the CFM for each AHU.
 - a. **RESPONSE: See response to question 1 above.**
5. Do you prefer a specific brand for Notification Devices?
 - a. **RESPONSE: Notification and detection devices shall be compatible with future Honeywell updates to the system.**
6. How many FA Power Supplies are in the building?
 - a. **RESPONSE: Total quantity is not shown on the Record Drawings. It is the intent to reuse existing power supply cabinets.**
7. We assume there are some SLC expanders in the building. If yes, do we need to replace those?
 - a. **RESPONSE: These can remain and be reused if they are compatible with the new system requirements.**

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8. Are there any specific AHJ requirements?
 - a. **RESPONSE: Drawings will be required to be reviewed by the local Fire Marshal as well as being inspected by the local Fire Marshal.**
 9. If third party services are required like HVAC or elevator company, the Fire Alarm Subcontractor covers the cost or Blinn?
 - a. **RESPONSE: Contractors are to coordinate with Blinn and any third party services will be evaluated and taken out of the Owner's Contingency.**
 10. Fire alarm specification section 1.8, sequencing and scheduling states "Existing fire alarm equipment, maintain fully operational until new equipment has been tested and accepted. As new equipment is installed, label it "not in service" until it is accepted. If we are to use the existing FACP for the new devices, then we can not install the new devices as the existing devices and new devices have different protocols and can not be on the same system at the same time. We will need to add a new panel with loop card expanders along with pulling new wire to all device locations. Is this the intent of this project?
 - a. **RESPONSE: It is not the intent. If the existing fire alarm system has been disabled in the building while students are present, it shall be coordinated with the owner to provide an appropriate fire watch during the time the fire alarm system is inactive.**