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Request For Clarifications: GT – Cherry Emerson Fire Protection Upgrades

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RFI's:

 Please confirm that the Terracotta walls will be able to support the fire protection piping on Level 1. The main will likely be a 3" Schedule 10 pipe filled with water. Note, in multiple locations, the standpipe feed will also be attached below the main. The connection will likely be a bolted connection.
 <u>RESPONSE 1</u>: Sprinkler drawings have been revised to address. additional response recall it being too tight to attempt to conceal the sprinkler piping but I anticipated limited access to attach hangers. Sprinkler piping is usually supported from above or from pipe stands below. If a listed pipe hanger isn't used, then the hanger arrangement will need to be certified by a PE per NFPA 13, Section 17.1.2. My experience with terracotta tiles is that they are way too brittle to support anything and we end up with a lot of patching, from an aesthetics standpoint, when we try to penetrate the walls.

- Please confirm the coolers in Environmental Rooms 105, 324A, 324B, and 324C can be protected by dry sidewall sprinklers in lieu of dry pendants as shown.
 <u>RESPONSE 2:</u> Dry sidewalls are fine if they've got the clearance to mount them properly.
- Please advise if it is possible to bring the underground pipe in below the slab in lieu of exposing the pipe above grade.
 <u>RESPONSE 3:</u> Dry sidewalls are fine if they've got the clearance to mount them properly.
- Per FX-1.3, the greenhouse should be included as a dry pipe system if the space cannot maintain a minimum temperature of 40 degrees. Please advise if the space can maintain a minimum temperature of 40 degrees.
 <u>REPSONSE 4:</u> TBD
- Please provide contact information for the Fire Alarm contractor, EMC.
 <u>RESPONSE 5:</u> Contact person is Devin Clarke DClarke@emcsecurity.com,(770) 963-0305, cell: (678) 689-4160
- 6. Please advise if the nitrogen suppression system tanks on Level 2 need to be removed. **RESPONSE 6:** Please price the removal of the nitrogen tanks as a deductive alternate.
- Please confirm if the elevator shafts need to be sprinkled.
 <u>RESPONSE 7</u>: Yes, the elevator shaft will need to be sprinklered. We added that into revision 1 on the plans Hunter/Fisher
- Please advise if the fire protection in the labs can be installed below the ceiling for a cost savings.
 <u>RESPONSE 8:</u> All lab fire protection will need to be above the ceiling. Julie/SWI
- Please review the attached Draft Key Plan and advise on the "green" spaces that need clarification for pricing breakdown.
 <u>RESPONSE 9</u> Room names and numbers have been added to Sprinkler drawings for each floor.