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IFB #700 Addendum (Q&A)

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A response to questions received will now follow:

1. Your pricing matrix asks for “mulch”. However, the mulch at each property is dyed. Is that something that you would like to continue so we can price accordingly?

Dyed mulch looks better so yes.

2. At Powell/Pearson, since this is new construction – when was it seeded? The plants do not look healthy – will contractor be responsible for those plants or is there a warranty?

Not sure, the plants may need to be taken back up to fix the drainage issue that is still being addressed with the contractor.

3. 109 Elkridge – there seems to be some trenching or digging of some sort coming off the back corner of the property. Are there plans for this area? Will it affect the current bed’s size?

No, it is just dirt from the well digging.

4. ICF homes on Roundelay – I’m guessing the chipped wood mulch beds are remnants of the Derecho? Is the contractor responsible for keeping that area mulched as well?

No, if you are referring to where the pine tree was cut down. They do want mulch around the house.

5. Quote asks for “overgrowth prevention”. Does this include banks that are overgrown with juniper that haven’t been pruned? Is the goal of some banks to be simply growth inhibited? We could spray them 2-3x a year which would keep back growth and would allow for a cleaner look.

I would think so, is this for Admin or all sites. The plants are Forest Hills never gets trimmed and I would say most of the group facilities need trimming at least once if not twice a year.

6. For properties with rock beds – will contractor be asked to refresh that rock via a secondary quote through the season?

If the awarded contractor feels that the facilities that have rock beds required to be refreshed, then it is up to the contractor to provide a secondary quote for our review and consideration.

7. Leaves – the scope clearly states where to remove leaves, but it seems as though current contractor is blowing them into the wooded islands or past the tree lines – is this acceptable or do you want them removed from the property?

This is up to the each facility. We do not have a problem blowing them into the woods as long as they do not blow back or become an eye sore. Use your best practice.

8. Page 3/D states there is a possibility of a physical plant walk through – can we schedule this now?

This is not required; it is only suggested as a possibility. Everything that we require is within the scope of work.

9. How important is turf health to Horizon? Would you want a price for broadleaf control in the turf as an extra? We recommend for ferts a year with 2 broadleaf applications.

We do not want to pay any extra for fertilizer.