#### SECTION 044300 STONE MASONRY

#### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### **1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS**

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 1 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

#### 1.2 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes provisions for stone masonry site walls and stairs, as follows:
  - 1. Stone veneer for site retaining walls
- B. Related Sections include the following:
  - 1. Division 3 Section "Cast in Place Concrete" for concrete footings and steel reinforcing.
  - 2. Division 4 Section "Masonry" for retaining wall core construction.

## **1.3 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Product Data: For each variety of stone, stone accessory, and other manufactured product specified.
  - 1. For stone varieties proposed for use on Project, include data on physical properties required by referenced ASTM standards.
- B. Stone Samples for Verification: Sets for each color, grade, finish, and variety of stone required. Include 2 or more Samples in each set showing the full range of variations expected in these characteristics.
- C. Colored Pointing Mortar Samples for Verification: For each color required.
- D. Shop Drawings: Shop drawings detailing fabrication and installation of stone masonry. Include cutting and setting drawings indicating sizes, dimensions, sections, and profiles of stones; arrangement and provisions for jointing, supporting, anchoring, and bonding stonework; and details showing relationship with, attachment to, and reception of related work
- E. Qualification Data: For firms and persons specified in the "Quality Assurance" Article to demonstrate their capabilities and experience. Include lists of completed projects

with project names and addresses, names and addresses of architects and owners, and other information specified.

## 1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Installer Qualifications: Engage an experienced installer who has completed stone masonry work similar in material, design, and extent to that indicated for this Project and with a record of successful in-service performance.
- B. Source Limitations for Stone: Obtain each variety of stone from a single quarry with resources to provide materials of consistent quality in appearance and physical properties without delaying the work.
- C. Source Limitations for Mortar and Grout Materials: Obtain mortar ingredients of uniform quality for each cementitious component from a single manufacturer and each aggregate from one source or producer.
- D. Mockups: Before installing stone masonry wall veneer, construct a sample wall panel to verify selections made under Sample submittals and to demonstrate aesthetic effects and qualities of materials and execution. Build mockup to comply with the following requirements, using materials indicated for completed Work.
  - 1. Locate mockups in the locations indicated or, if not indicated, as directed by Architect.
  - 2. Build mockup for each type of stone masonry veneer in sizes approximately 48 inches long by 24 inches high by full thickness, including face and back-up, and as follows
  - 3. Notify Architect 7 days in advance of the dates and times when mockups will be constructed.
  - 4. Maintain mockups during construction in an undisturbed condition as a standard for judging the completed Work.
    - a. Approval of mockups does not constitute approval of deviations from Contract Documents contained in mockups, unless such deviations are specifically approved by Architect in writing.
    - b. Approved mockup may become part of the completed Work

# 1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver materials to Project site in undamaged condition.
- B. Store and handle stone and related materials to prevent deterioration or damage due to moisture, temperature changes, contaminants, corrosion, breaking, chipping, or other causes.

- C. Store cementitious materials off the ground, under cover, and in a dry location.
- D. Store aggregates, covered and in a dry location, where grading and other required characteristics can be maintained and contamination avoided.
- E. Store masonry accessories, including metal items, to prevent corrosion and accumulation of dirt and oil.

# **1.6 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

- A. Protection of Stone Masonry: During erection, cover tops of walls, projections, and stairs with waterproof sheeting at the end of each day's work. Cover partially completed stone masonry when construction is not in progress.
- B. Stain Prevention: Immediately remove grout, mortar, and soil to prevent them from staining the face of stone masonry.
  - 1. Protect base of walls from rain-splashed mud and mortar splatter by coverings spread on the ground and over the wall surface.
- C. Cold-Weather Requirements: Do not use frozen materials or materials mixed or coated with ice or frost. Do not build on frozen subgrade or setting beds. Remove and replace stone masonry damaged by frost or freezing conditions. Comply with the following requirements:
  - 1. Cold-Weather Construction: When ambient temperature is within limits indicated, use the following procedures:
    - a. 40 to 32 deg F (4 to 0 deg C): Heat mixing water or sand to produce mortar temperatures between 40 and 120 deg F (4 and 49 deg C).
    - b. 32 to 25 deg F (0 to minus 4 deg C): Heat mixing water and sand to produce mortar temperatures between 40 and 120 deg F (4 and 49 deg C). Maintain mortar above freezing until used in masonry.
    - c. 25 to 20 deg F (minus 4 to minus 7 deg C): Heat mixing water and sand to produce mortar temperatures between 40 and 120 deg F (4 and 49 deg C). Maintain mortar above freezing until used in masonry. Use heat on both sides of walls under construction.
    - d. 20 deg F (minus 7 deg C) and below: Heat mixing water and sand to produce mortar temperatures between 40 and 120 deg F (4 and 49 deg C). Maintain mortar above freezing until used in masonry. Heat stone to 40 deg F (4 deg C). Provide enclosures and use heat on both sides of walls under construction to maintain temperatures above 32 deg F (0 deg C) within enclosures.

- 2. Cold-Weather Protection: When mean daily temperature is within limits indicated, provide the following protection:
  - a. 40 to 25 deg F (4 to minus 4 deg C): Cover masonry with weather-resistant membrane for 48 hours after construction.
  - b. 25 to 20 deg F (minus 4 to minus 7 deg C): Cover masonry with insulating blankets or provide enclosure and heat for 48 hours after construction to prevent freezing. Use windbreaks when wind velocity exceeds 15 mi./h (25 km/h).
  - c. 20 deg F (minus 7 deg C) and below: Provide enclosure and heat to maintain temperatures above 32 deg F (0 deg C) within enclosure for 48 hours after construction.
- 3. Cold-Weather Cleaning: Use liquid cleaning methods only when air temperature is 40 deg F (4 deg C) and above and will remain so until stone masonry has dried out, but not less than 7 days after completing cleaning.
- D. Hot-Weather Requirements: Protect stone masonry work when temperature and humidity conditions produce excessive evaporation of water from mortar. Provide artificial shade and wind breaks and use cooled materials as required. Do not apply mortar to substrates with temperatures of 100 deg F (38 deg C) and above.

# PART 2 - PRODUCTS

## 2.1 STONE VENEER AT SITE RETAINING WALLS

- A. Source: Blue Mountain Building Stone, 80 South Hershey Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112 (717-671-8711)
- B. Material: Dove Gray Limestone, Rough Ashlar, with 30% in long strips; 5% in oversize blocks,; and 10% in jumpers.
- C. Thickness: 4"

# 2.2 MORTAR MATERIALS

- A. Portland Cement-Lime Mix: Packaged blend of portland cement complying with ASTM C 150, Type I or Type III, and hydrated lime complying with ASTM C 207.
  - 1. For pigmented mortars, use colored portland cement-lime mix of formulation required to produce color indicated or, if not indicated, as selected from manufacturer's standard formulations. Pigments shall not exceed 10 percent of portland cement by weight for mineral oxides nor 2 percent for carbon black.

- B. Aggregate: ASTM C 144 and as indicated below:
  - 1. For pointing mortar, use aggregate graded with 100 percent passing No. 16 (1.18-mm) sieve.
- C. Mortar Pigments: Natural and synthetic iron oxides and chromium oxides, compounded for use in mortar mixes. Use only pigments with record of satisfactory performance in stone masonry mortars.
- D. Water: Potable.
- E. Setting Bed Mortar: Proportion of materials in setting bed mortar shall be one part Portland Cement, one part hydrated lime, and six parts clean white sand.
- F. Point Mortar: Mortar for pointing shall be as specified for setting bed mortar, with an integral color additive.

# 2.3 FLASHING MATERIALS

- A. Self-Adhering Thru-Wall Flashing: Composite flashing product consisting of a pliable, adhesive rubberized-asphalt compound, bonded to a high-density, cross-laminated polyethylene film to produce an overall thickness of not less than 40 mils.
  - 1. Provide compatible contact adhesive for application to stone masonry and CMU.

## 2.4 MASONRY CLEANERS

A. Acidic Cleaner: Manufacturer's standard-strength masonry cleaner designed for removing mortar/grout stains, efflorescence, and other new construction stains from stone masonry surfaces of type indicated without discoloring or damaging masonry surfaces; expressly approved for intended use by stone producer.

# 2.5 STONE FABRICATION

- A. General: Fabricate stone in sizes and shapes required to comply with requirements indicated, including details on Drawings.
- B. Cut stone to produce pieces of thickness, size, and shape indicated and to comply with fabrication and construction tolerances recommended by applicable stone association or, if none, by stone source, for faces, edges, beds, and backs.
- C. Thickness of Stone Masonry: Provide thickness indicated, but not less than the following:

- 1. Wall Veneer: 4 inches nominal.
- D. Shape stone for type of masonry wall veneer (pattern) indicated:
  - 1. Type of Masonry (Pattern): Random Coursed ashlar pattern.
- E. Finish exposed faces and edges of stone to comply with requirements indicated for finish and to match approved samples and mockups.
- F. Carefully inspect stone units at quarry or fabrication plant for compliance with requirements for appearance, material, and fabrication. Replace defective units before shipment.

## 2.6 MORTAR MIXES

- A. General: Comply with referenced standards and with manufacturers' written instructions for mix proportions, mixing equipment, mixer speeds, mixing containers, mixing time, and other procedures needed to produce mortar of uniform quality and with optimum performance characteristics.
  - 1. Do not use admixtures, including pigments, air-entraining agents, accelerators, retarders, water-repellent agents, antifreeze compounds, or other admixtures, unless otherwise indicated. Do not use calcium chloride.
  - 2. Mixing: Combine and thoroughly mix cementitious materials, water, and aggregates in a mechanical batch mixer, unless otherwise indicated. Discard mortar when it has reached initial set.
- B. Mortar for Stone Masonry: Comply with ASTM C 270, Proportion Specification, for types of mortar indicated below:
  - 1. Limit cementitious materials in mortar to portland cement and lime.
  - 2. Set stone with Type S mortar.
  - 3. Point stone with Type S mortar.
- C. Pigmented Mortar: Select and proportion pigments with other ingredients to produce color required.
  - 1. Mix to match Architect's sample.

#### 2.7 ELASTOMERIC SEALANTS

A. Sealant Products: Provide manufacturer's standard chemically curing, elastomeric sealants that are compatible with joint fillers, joint substrates, and other related materials.

- 1. Sealant for Joints in Vertical and Horizontal Surfaces of Stone Masonry work: As follows:
  - a. Multi-component Nonsag Urethane Sealant.
- B. Colors: Provide color of exposed sealants to comply with the following requirement:
  - 1. Provide color as selected by Architect from manufacturer's standard colors.

# PART 3 - EXECUTION

## 3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Examine surfaces to receive stone masonry, with Installer present, for compliance with requirements for installation tolerances and other conditions affecting performance of stone masonry.
  - 1. Examine substrate to verify that inserts, reinforcement, veneer ties, flashing, and other items installed in unit masonry or concrete and required for or extending into stone masonry are correctly installed.
  - 2. Do not proceed with installation until unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

# **3.2 PREPARATION**

- A. Advise installers of other work about specific requirements for placement of reinforcement, anchors, ties, flashing, and similar items to be built into stone masonry
- B. Protect stone masonry during erection as follows:
  - 1. Cover tops of walls with nonstaining, waterproof sheeting at end of each day's work. Cover partially completed structures when work is not in progress. Extend cover a minimum of 24 inches (600 mm) down both sides and hold securely in place.
  - 2. Prevent staining of stone from mortar, grout, sealants, and other sources. Immediately remove such materials without damaging stone.
  - 3. Protect base of walls from rain-splashed mud and mortar splatter by coverings spread on the ground and over the wall surface.
- C. Clean stone surfaces that have become dirty or stained by removing soil, stains, and foreign materials before setting. Clean stone by thoroughly scrubbing with fiber brushes and then drenching with clear water. Use only mild cleaning compounds that contain no caustic or harsh materials or abrasives.

# 3.3 SETTING STONE MASONRY, GENERAL

- A. Execute stone masonry work by skilled masons experienced with the kind and form of stone and installation method indicated.
  - 1. Employ skilled stone fitters at the Project site to do necessary field cutting as stone is set. Use power saws to cut stone. Produce edges eased slightly to prevent snipping.
  - 2. Arrange stones for good fit, in pattern indicated, with joint widths within tolerances indicated.
  - 3. Arrange stones for uniformity of appearance, with color and size variations uniformly dispersed for an evenly blended appearance.
- B. Set stone to comply with requirements indicated on Drawings. Install anchors, supports, fasteners, and other attachments indicated or necessary to secure stone masonry in place. Set stone accurately in locations indicated with edges and faces aligned according to established relationships and indicated tolerances.
  - 1. Install pieced stone veneer wall cap without overhang.
- C. Maintain uniform joint widths, except for variations due to stone size variations and minor variations required to maintain bond alignment, if any. Lay walls with joints of the following width.
  - 1. Joint Width:  $\pm 3/8$  inch nominal
- D. Provide sealant joints for all expansion joints in wall veneers.
- E. Install embedded flashing where indicated..
  - 1. Install thru-wall flashing below pieced wall caps. Keep edge of flashing ½" back from face of stone veneer. Apply contact adhesive to stone veneer prior to application of thru-wall flashing.
- F. Provide expansion joints as shown on the drawings.

## 3.4 CONSTRUCTION TOLERANCES

A. Variation from Plumb: For vertical lines and surfaces, do not exceed 1/4 inch in 10 feet (6 mm in 3 m), 3/8 inch in 20 feet (10 mm in 6 m), or 1/2 inch in 40 feet (12 mm in 12 m) or more. For external corners, expansion joints, control joints, and other conspicuous lines, do not exceed 1/4 inch in 20 feet (6 mm in 6 m) or 1/2 inch in 40 feet (12 mm in 12 m) or more.

- B. Variation from Level: For bed joints and lines of exposed lintels, sills, parapets, horizontal grooves, and other conspicuous lines, do not exceed 1/4 inch in 20 feet (6 mm in 6 m) or 1/2 inch in 40 feet (12 mm in 12 m) or more.
- C. Measure variation from plumb, level, and position shown in plan as the variation of the average plane of the face of each stone from a plumb, level, or dimensioned plane.
- D. Variation in Mortar-Joint Thickness: Do not vary from joint size range indicated.
- E. Variation in Plane between Adjacent Stones: Do not exceed one-half of tolerance specified for thickness of stone.
- F. Variation in Plane on Face of Individual Stone: Do not exceed one-half of tolerance specified for thickness of stone.

# 3.5 INSTALLING STONE MASONRY VENEER

- A. Set stone in full bed of mortar with full collar joints, unless otherwise indicated.
- B. Rake out joints for pointing with mortar to depths of not less than 1/2 inch (13 mm). Rake joints to uniform depths with square bottoms and clean sides.

# 3.6 POINTING

- A. Prepare stone joint surfaces for pointing with mortar by removing dust and mortar particles. Where setting mortar was removed to depths greater than surrounding areas, apply pointing mortar first in layers not greater than 3/8 inch (10 mm) until a uniform depth is formed.
- B. Point stone joints by placing and compacting pointing mortar in layers not greater than 3/8 inch (10 mm). Compact each layer thoroughly and allow to become thumbprint hard before applying next layer.
- C. Tool joints, when pointing mortar is thumbprint hard, with a smooth jointing tool to produce the following joint profile:
  - 1. Joint Profile: Smooth, flat face recessed 1/4 inch (6 mm) below edges of stone (raked joint).

## 3.7 INSTALLATION OF JOINT SEALANTS

A. Prepare joints and apply sealants of type and at locations indicated to comply with manufacturer's instructions.

# 3.8 ADJUSTING AND CLEANING

- A. Remove and replace stone masonry of the following description:
  - 1. Broken, chipped, stained, or otherwise damaged stone. Stone may be repaired if the methods and results are approved by Architect.
  - 2. Defective joints.
  - 3. Stone masonry and joints not matching approved samples and mockups.
  - 4. Stone masonry not complying with other requirements indicated.
- B. Replace in a manner that results in stone masonry matching approved samples and mockups, complying with other requirements, and showing no evidence of replacement.
- C. In-Progress Cleaning: Clean stone masonry as work progresses. Remove mortar fins and smears before tooling joints.
- D. Final Cleaning: After mortar is thoroughly set and cured, clean stone masonry as follows:
  - 1. Remove large mortar particles by hand with wooden paddles and nonmetallic scrape hoes or chisels.
  - 2. Test cleaning methods on mockup; leave one-half of panel uncleaned for comparison purposes. Obtain Architect's approval of sample cleaning before proceeding with cleaning of masonry.
  - 3. Protect adjacent stone and non-masonry surfaces from contact with cleaner by covering them with liquid strippable masking agent, polyethylene film, or waterproof masking tape.
  - 4. Wet wall surfaces with water before applying cleaners; remove cleaners promptly by rinsing thoroughly with clear water.
  - 5. Clean stone by bucket and brush hand-cleaning method described in BIA Technical Note No. 20 Revised II, using the following masonry cleaner:
    - a. Acidic cleaner, applied in compliance with written directions of acidic cleaner manufacturer.
- E. Protection: Provide final protection and maintain conditions, in a manner acceptable to manufacturer and Installer, that ensure stone masonry is without damage and deterioration at the time of Substantial Completion.

## 3.9 EXCESS MATERIALS AND WASTE

- A. Excess Stone: Stack excess stone where directed by Owner for Owner's use.
- B. Masonry Waste: Remove clean masonry waste that cannot be used as fill, as described above, and other masonry waste and legally dispose of off Owner's property.

## END OF SECTION 044300

#### SECTION 311000 SITE PREPARATION

#### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### **1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS**

A. Drawings and general provisions of Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 1 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

#### 1.2 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes the following:
  - 1. Removal of trees and other vegetation.
  - 2. Protection of existing trees to remain
  - 3. Topsoil stripping and stockpiling.
  - 4. Clearing and grubbing.
  - 5. Removing above-grade and below grade site improvements.
- B. Related Sections: The following sections contain requirements that relate to this Section:
  - 1. Division 31 Section "Earthwork" for excavation and backfill work.
  - 2. See other specifications for work related to existing underground utilities

#### **1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. State and local code requirements shall control the methods used to clear site and procedures for disposal of removed materials.
- B. State Department of Transportation Standards shall govern unless specifically indicated otherwise.
- C. Examine Contract Documents for all work required and coordinate and cooperate with others so as not to delay or interfere with the work of others.
- D. Employ a licensed engineer or surveyor to stake out both horizontal and vertical control for all work prior to commencing any work operations.

## **1.4 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

A. Traffic: Conduct site clearing operations to ensure minimum interference with roads, streets, walks, and other adjacent occupied or used facilities. Do not close or obstruct streets, walks or other occupied or used facilities without permission from authorities

having jurisdiction.

- B. Protection of Existing Improvements and Utilities: Provide protections necessary to prevent damage to existing improvements and utilities indicated to remain in place.
- C. Locate existing utilities with assistance of the Owner's Representative, local utility companies, and public agencies.
- D. Protect existing improvements to remain on Owner's property.
- E. Restore damaged improvements to their original condition and grades, as acceptable to property owners.
- F. Extent of work on adjacent property is indicated on Drawings.
- G. Salvable Improvements: Carefully remove items indicated to be salvaged, and store on Owner's premises where indicated or directed.

## 1.5 EXISTING UTILITY INFORMATION

A. Information on the drawings relating to existing utility lines and services is from the best sources presently available. All such information is furnished only for information and is not guaranteed. Excavate test pits as required to determine exact locations of existing utilities.

## PART 2 - PRODUCTS

Not applicable to this Section.

# PART 3 - EXECUTION

## 3.1 LAYOUT

- A. Stake out both horizontal and vertical control for all work prior to commencing work operations. Accurately locate and maintain location of all buildings, roads, paved areas, features, etc. Advise Owner's Representative of any Contract Document discrepancies, prior to commencing work.
- B. Maintain benchmarks, monuments and other reference points. Re-establish benchmarks if disturbed or destroyed at no cost to Owner.

## **3.2 TREE PROTECTION**

A. Erect and maintain temporary fencing around tree protection zones before starting site clearing. Remove fence when construction is complete.

- 1. Do not store construction materials, debris, or excavated material within fenced area.
- 2. Do not permit vehicles, equipment, or foot traffic within fenced area.
- 3. Maintain fenced area free of weeds and trash.
- B. Do not excavate within tree protection zones, unless otherwise indicated.
- C. Where excavation for new construction is required within tree protection zones, hand clear and excavate to minimize damage to root systems. Use narrow-tine spading forks, comb soil to expose roots, and cleanly cut roots as close to excavation as possible.
  - 1. Cover exposed roots with burlap and water regularly.
  - 2. Temporarily support and protect roots from damage until they are permanently redirected and covered with soil.
  - 3. Cut roots more than 1-1/2 inches in diameter with saws or other devices approved by Architect.
  - 4. Backfill with soil immediately.
- D. Repair or replace trees and vegetation indicated to remain that are damaged by construction operations, in a manner approved by Architect.
  - 1. Employ an arborist, licensed in jurisdiction where Project is located, to submit details of proposed repairs and to repair damage to trees and shrubs.
  - 2, Replace trees that cannot be repaired and restored to full-growth status, as determined by Architect.

## **3.3 SITE CLEARING**

- A. General: Locate and suitably identify trees and improvements to remain. Remove trees, shrubs, grass and other vegetation, rock/boulders, improvements, or obstructions as required to permit installation of new construction. Remove similar items elsewhere on site or premises as specifically indicated. "Removal" includes transporting off-site and legally disposing of removed non-salvageable material.
- B. Topsoil: Topsoil is defined as friable clay loam surface soil found in a depth of not less than 4 inches. Satisfactory topsoil is free of subsoil, clay lumps, stones, and other objects over 1 inch in diameter, and without weeds, roots, and other objectionable material.
- C. Strip topsoil in all construction areas and all areas to be re-graded, resurfaced, or paved within Contract Limit Lines, to whatever depths encountered in a manner to prevent intermingling with underlying subsoil or other objectionable material.
  - 1. Do not strip topsoil in tree protection areas. Leave existing soils in place.

- D. Stockpile topsoil shall be free of trash, brush, rock/boulders over 1 inch diameter and other extraneous matter.
- E. Remove heavy growths of grass from areas before stripping.
- F. Where existing trees are indicated to remain, leave existing topsoil in place within drip lines and tree preservation areas to prevent damage to root system, as shown on the drawings and specifications for Tree Protection.
- G. Stockpile topsoil in storage piles in areas indicated or directed. Construct storage piles to provide free drainage of surface water, maximum slope to be 3:1. Cover storage piles, if required, to prevent wind erosion.
- H. No topsoil shall be removed from the site, until after all topsoil requirements have been met.
- I. Dispose of unsuitable or excess topsoil same as specified for disposal of waste material.
- J. Clearing and Grubbing: Clear site of trees, shrubs and other vegetation, as shown on the plans.
- K. Fell trees to be removed in a controlled, safe manner. Trim branches from bole and cut bole into manageable sections.
- L. Cut off shrubs and other vegetation, to be removed, flush with original ground surface.
- M. Completely remove stumps, roots, and other debris protruding through ground surface and to a depth of 3 feet. Backfill areas with compacted topsoil.
- N. Remove organic and metallic debris to a depth of 3 feet below existing grade to remain or new finished grade whether lower or higher than existing grade.
- O. Fill depressions caused by clearing and grubbing operations with satisfactory soil material, unless further excavation or earthwork is indicated.
- P. Place fill material in horizontal layers not exceeding 6 inches loose depth, and thoroughly compact to a density equal to adjacent original ground.
- Q. Selective Thinning: Drawings indicate existing areas to remain where selective thinning work is to be performed. Designated trees and shrubs are to be removed or pruned, as indicated. All work shall be performed in such manner so as not to damage affected trees and shrubs, nor those adjacent to them, that are to be preserved.

- R. Removal of Improvements: Remove existing above-grade and below-grade improvements as indicated and as necessary to facilitate new construction.
- S. Abandonment or removal of certain underground pipe or conduits may be indicated on mechanical or electrical drawings.
- T. Remove existing sidewalks, curbs, and paving, including all base material to subgrade, as required to accommodate new construction, and as shown on drawings. Cut existing sidewalks, curbs, and paving in neat, straight lines to provide uniform, even transition from new to adjacent existing work. Cut back existing paving a sufficient distance to permit forming and installation of new work.
- U. Raise or lower existing catch basin, inlet and manhole structures and valve box covers to accommodate new grade elevations at paved and lawn areas where indicated on Drawings. Extend structures as required. Reuse existing catch basin, inlet and manhole frames, and covers, unless noted otherwise.

#### 3.4 DISPOSAL OF WASTE MATERIALS

- A. Burning on Owner's Property: Burning is not permitted on Owner's property.
- B. Removal from Owner's Property: Remove waste materials and unsuitable or excess topsoil from Owner's property.

## 3.5 CLEANING

A. Upon completion of site preparation work, clean areas within contract limits, remove tools, and equipment. Provide site clear, clean, and free of materials and debris and suitable for site work operations.

#### 3.6 SALVAGED MATERIALS

A. Materials, items, and equipment not scheduled for reinstallation or salvaged for the Owner's use are the property of the Contractor. Removed cleared materials from the site as the work progresses. Storage and sale of Contractor's salvage items on site is not permitted.

## END OF SECTION 311000

#### SECTION 312000 EARTHWORK

#### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### 1.1 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes the following:
  - 1. Preparing subgrades for slabs-on-grade, walks, pavements, lawns, and plantings.
  - 2. Excavating and backfilling for site and building construction.
  - 3. Base course for pavements.
  - 4. Excavating and backfilling trenches for buried utilities and pits for buried utility structures.
- B. Related Sections include the following:
  - 1. Division 01 Section "Temporary Facilities and Controls" for temporary controls, utilities, and support facilities..
  - 2. Division 32 Section "Miscellaneous Cast-In-Place Concrete" for concrete site construction.
  - 3. Division 31 Section "Site Preparation" for site preparation.

#### **1.2 DEFINITIONS**

- A. Backfill: Soil materials used to fill an excavation.
  - 1. Initial Backfill: Backfill placed beside and over pipe in a trench, including haunches to support sides of pipe.
  - 2. Final Backfill: Backfill placed over initial backfill to fill a trench.
- B. Base Course: Layer placed between the subgrade and paving.
- C. Bedding Course: Layer placed over the excavated subgrade in a trench before laying pipe.
- D. Borrow: Satisfactory soil imported from off-site for use as fill or backfill.
- E. Drainage Fill: Stone fill used to allow free passage of ground water.
- F. Excavation: Removal of material encountered above subgrade elevations.

- 1. Additional Excavation: Excavation below subgrade elevations as directed by Owner's Representative. Additional excavation and replacement material will be paid for according to Contract provisions for changes in the Work.
- 2. Bulk Excavation: Excavations more than 10 feet (3 m) in width and pits more than 30 feet (9 m) in either length or width.
- 3. Unauthorized Excavation: Excavation below subgrade elevations or beyond indicated dimensions without direction by Owner's Representative. Unauthorized excavation, as well as remedial work directed by Owner's Representative, shall be without additional compensation.
- G. Fill: Soil materials used to raise existing grades.
- H. Rock: Rock material in beds, ledges, unstratified masses, and conglomerate deposits and boulders of rock material 3/4 cu. yd. (0.57 cu. m) or more in volume that when tested by an independent geotechnical testing agency, according to ASTM D 1586, exceeds a standard penetration resistance of 100 blows/2 inches (97 blows/50 mm).
- I. Structures: Buildings, footings, foundations, retaining walls, slabs, curbs, utilities, or other man-made stationary features constructed above or below the ground surface.
- J. Subgrade: Surface or elevation remaining after completing excavation, or top surface of a fill or backfill immediately below subbase, drainage fill, or topsoil materials.
- K. Utilities include on-site underground pipes, conduits, ducts, and cables, as well as underground services within buildings.

# 1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For the following:
  - 1. Each type of plastic warning tape.
  - 2. Drainage geotextile.
- B. Samples: For the following:
  - 1. 30-lb (14-kg) samples, sealed in airtight containers, of each proposed soil material from on-site or borrow sources.
  - 2. 12-by-12-inch (300-by-300-mm) sample of drainage geotextile.
- C. Material Test Reports: From a qualified testing agency indicating and interpreting test results for compliance of the following with requirements indicated:
  - 1. Classification according to ASTM D 2487 of each on-site or borrow soil material proposed for fill and backfill.

2. Laboratory compaction curve according to ASTM D 1557 for each on-site or borrow soil material proposed for fill and backfill.

## 1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Geotechnical Testing Agency Qualifications: An independent testing agency qualified according to ASTM E 329 to conduct soil materials and rock-definition testing, as documented according to ASTM D 3740 and ASTM E 548.

## **1.5 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

- A. Existing Utilities: Do not interrupt utilities serving facilities occupied by Owner or others unless permitted in writing by Owner's Representative and then only after arranging to provide temporary utility services according to requirements indicated:
  - 1. Notify Owner's Representative not less than two days in advance of proposed utility interruptions.
  - 2. Do not proceed with utility interruptions without Owner's Representative's written permission.
  - 3. Contact utility-locator service for area where Project is located before excavating.
- B. Demolish and completely remove from site existing underground utilities indicated to be removed. Coordinate with utility companies to shut off services if lines are active.

## PART 2 - PRODUCTS

#### 2.1 SOIL MATERIALS

- A. General: Provide borrow soil materials when sufficient satisfactory soil materials are not available from excavations.
- B. Satisfactory Soils: ASTM D 2487 soil classification groups GW, GP, GM, SW, SP, SM, CL, and CH, or a combination of these group symbols; free of rock or gravel larger than 3 inches (75 mm) in any dimension, debris, waste, frozen materials, vegetation, and other deleterious matter.
- C. Unsatisfactory Soils: ASTM D 2487 soil classification groups GC, SC, ML, MH, OL, OH, and PT, or a combination of these group symbols.
  - 1. Unsatisfactory soils also include satisfactory soils not maintained at or above the optimum moisture content at time of compaction.

- D. Backfill and Fill: Satisfactory soil materials maintained at or above optimum moisture content at the time of compaction.
- E. Base: Naturally or artificially graded mixture of natural or crushed gravel, crushed stone, and natural or crushed sand; ASTM D 2940; with at least 95 percent passing a 1-1/2-inch (38-mm) sieve and not more than 8 percent passing a No. 200 (0.075-mm) sieve.
- F. Engineered Fill: Naturally or artificially graded mixture of natural or crushed gravel, crushed stone, and natural or crushed sand; ASTM D 2940; with at least 90 percent passing a 1-1/2-inch (38-mm) sieve and not more than 12 percent passing a No. 200 (0.075-mm) sieve.
- G. Bedding: Naturally or artificially graded mixture of natural or crushed gravel, crushed stone, and natural or crushed sand; ASTM D 2940; except with 100 percent passing a 1-inch (25-mm) sieve and not more than 8 percent passing a No. 200 (0.075-mm) sieve.
- H. Drainage Fill: Washed, narrowly graded mixture of crushed stone, or crushed or uncrushed gravel; ASTM D 448; coarse-aggregate grading Size 57; with 100 percent passing a 1-1/2- inch (38-mm) sieve and 0 to 5 percent passing a No. 8 (2.36-mm) sieve.
- I. Filter Material: Narrowly graded mixture of natural or crushed gravel, or crushed stone and natural sand; ASTM D 448; coarse-aggregate grading Size 67; with 100 percent passing a 1-inch sieve and 0 to 5 percent passing a No. 4 sieve.
- J. Topsoil: Topsoil shall be a sandy loam, uniform in composition, free of stones, lumps, plants, roots, noxious weeds, and debris over 1-1/2". It shall not contain toxic substances harmful to plant growth. Topsoil shall have a buffer pH range of 5.0 to 7.0 and the organic matter shall be a minimum of 1.0%.
- K. Soil Amendment Fill for Storm Water Management Areas: 2:1 soil/compost mix. See detail on civil engineering drawings
- L. Soil Backfill for Tree Protection Areas: 80% sandy loam topsoil mixed with 20% organic material. See details for additional information.

## 2.2 ACCESSORIES

A. Detectable Warning Tape: Acid- and alkali-resistant polyethylene film warning tape manufactured for marking and identifying underground utilities, minimum 6 inches (150 mm) wide and 4 mils (0.1 mm) thick, continuously inscribed with a description of utility, with metallic core encased in a protective jacket for corrosion protection,

detectable by metal detector when tape is buried up to 30 inches (750 mm) deep; colored as follows:

- 1. Red: Electric.
- 2. Yellow: Gas, oil, steam, and dangerous materials.
- 3. Orange: Telephone and other communications.
- 4. Blue: Water systems.
- 5. Green: Sewer systems.
- B. Drainage Fabric: Nonwoven geotextile, specifically manufactured as a drainage geotextile; made from polyolefins, polyesters, or polyamides; and with the following minimum properties determined according to ASTM D 4759 and referenced standard test methods:
  - 1. Grab Tensile Strength: 110 lbf (490 N); ASTM D 4632.
  - 2. Tear Strength: 40 lbf (178 N); ASTM D 4533.
  - 3. Puncture Resistance: 50 lbf (222 N); ASTM D 4833.
  - 4. Water Flow Rate: 150 gpm per sq. ft. (100 L/s per sq. m); ASTM D 4491.
  - 5. Apparent Opening Size: No. 50 (0.3 mm); ASTM D 4751.

## PART 3 - EXECUTION

#### **3.1 PREPARATION**

- A. Protect structures, utilities, sidewalks, pavements, and other facilities from damage caused by settlement, lateral movement, undermining, washout, and other hazards created by earthwork operations.
- B. Protect subgrades and foundation soils against freezing temperatures or frost. Provide protective insulating materials as necessary.
- C. Provide erosion-control measures to prevent erosion or displacement of soils and discharge of soil-bearing water runoff or airborne dust to adjacent properties and walkways.

#### **3.2 DEWATERING**

- A. Prevent surface water and ground water from entering excavations, from ponding on prepared subgrades, and from flooding Project site and surrounding area.
- B. Protect subgrades from softening, undermining, washout, and damage by rain or water accumulation.

- 1. Reroute surface water runoff away from excavated areas. Do not allow water to accumulate in excavations. Do not use excavated trenches as temporary drainage ditches.
- 2. Install a dewatering system to keep subgrades dry and convey ground water away from excavations. Maintain until dewatering is no longer required.

## 3.3 EXPLOSIVES

A. Explosives: Do not use explosives.

## 3.4 EXCAVATION, GENERAL

- A. Unclassified Excavation: Excavation to subgrade elevations regardless of the character of surface and subsurface conditions encountered, including rock, soil materials, and obstructions.
  - 1. If excavated materials intended for fill and backfill include unsatisfactory soil materials and rock, replace with satisfactory soil materials.

## 3.5 EXCAVATION FOR SITE STRUCTURES

- A. Excavate to indicated elevations and dimensions within a tolerance of plus or minus 1 inch (25 mm). Extend excavations a sufficient distance from structures for placing and removing concrete formwork, for installing services and other construction, and for inspections.
  - 1. Excavations for Footings and Foundations: Excavate by hand to final grade just before placing concrete reinforcement. Trim bottoms to required lines and grades to leave solid base to receive other work.
  - 2. Excavation for Underground Tanks, Basins, and Mechanical or Electrical Utility Structures: Excavate to elevations and dimensions indicated within a tolerance of plus or minus 1 inch (25 mm).
  - 3. Prior to placement of any structure or materials over excavations, scarify an additional 12" depth of subgrade and re-compact to 95% of maximum dry density.

## **3.6 EXCAVATION FOR PAVEMENTS**

A. Excavate surfaces under pavements to indicated cross sections, elevations, and grades.

## 3.7 EXCAVATION FOR UTILITY TRENCHES

A. Excavate trenches to indicated gradients, lines, depths, and elevations.

- 1. Beyond building perimeter, excavate trenches to allow installation of top of pipe below frost line.
- B. Excavate trenches to uniform widths to provide a working clearance on each side of pipe or conduit. Excavate trench walls vertically from trench bottom to 12 inches (300 mm) higher than top of pipe or conduit, unless otherwise indicated.
- C. Trench Bottoms: Excavate trenches 4 inches (100 mm) deeper than bottom of pipe elevation to allow for bedding course. Hand excavate for bell of pipe.
  - 1. Excavate trenches 6 inches (150 mm) deeper than elevation required in unyielding bearing material to allow for bedding course.

## 3.8 APPROVAL OF SUBGRADE

- A. Notify Owner's Representative when excavations have reached required subgrade.
- B. If Owner's Representative determines that unsatisfactory soil is present, continue excavation and replace with compacted backfill or fill material as directed.
  - 1. Additional excavation and replacement material will be paid for according to Contract provisions for changes in the Work.
- C. Proof roll subgrade of vehicular pavement areas with heavy pneumatic-tired equipment to identify soft pockets and areas of excess yielding. Do not proof roll wet or saturated subgrades.
- D. Reconstruct subgrades damaged by freezing temperatures, frost, rain, accumulated water, or construction activities, as directed by Owner's Representative.

## 3.9 UNAUTHORIZED EXCAVATION

- A. Fill unauthorized excavation under foundations or wall footings by extending bottom elevation of concrete foundation or footing to excavation bottom, without altering top elevation. Lean concrete fill may be used when approved by Owner's Representative.
  - 1. Fill unauthorized excavations under other construction or utility pipe as directed by Owner's Representative

## 3.10 STORAGE OF SOIL MATERIALS

A. Stockpile borrow materials and satisfactory excavated soil materials. Stockpile soil materials without intermixing. Place, grade, and shape stockpiles to drain surface water. Cover to prevent windblown dust.

1. Stockpile soil materials away from edge of excavations. Do not store within drip line of remaining trees.

## 3.11 BACKFILL

- A. Place and compact backfill in excavations promptly, but not before completing the following:
  - 1. Construction below finish grade including, where applicable, dampproofing, waterproofing, and perimeter insulation.
  - 2. Surveying locations of underground utilities for record documents.
  - 3. Inspecting and testing underground utilities.
  - 4. Removing concrete formwork.
  - 5. Removing trash and debris.
  - 6. Removing temporary shoring and bracing, and sheeting.

#### 3.12 UTILITY TRENCH BACKFILL

- A. Place and compact bedding course on trench bottoms and where indicated. Shape bedding course to provide continuous support for bells, joints, and barrels of pipes and for joints, fittings, and bodies of conduits.
- B. Backfill trenches excavated under footings and within 18 inches (450 mm) of bottom of footings; fill with concrete to elevation of bottom of footings.
- C. Place and compact initial backfill of subbase material, free of particles larger than 1 inch (25 mm), to a height of 12 inches (300 mm) over the utility pipe or conduit.
  - 1. Carefully compact material under pipe haunches and bring backfill evenly up on both sides and along the full length of utility piping or conduit to avoid damage or displacement of utility system.
- D. Coordinate backfilling with utilities testing.
- E. Fill voids with approved backfill materials while shoring and bracing, and as sheeting is removed.
- F. Place and compact final backfill of satisfactory soil material to final subgrade.
- G. Install warning tape directly above utilities, 12 inches (300 mm) below finished grade, except 6 inches (150 mm) below subgrade under pavements and slabs.

#### 3.13 SOIL FILL

- A. Preparation: Remove vegetation, topsoil, debris, unsatisfactory soil materials, obstructions, and deleterious materials from ground surface before placing fills.
- B. Plow, scarify, bench, or break up sloped surfaces steeper than 1 vertical to 4 horizontal so fill material will bond with existing material.
- C. Place and compact fill material in layers to required elevations as follows:
  - 1. Under grass and planted areas, use satisfactory soil material, with topsoil for the top 4" of fill.
  - 2. Under pavements, use engineered fill.
  - 3. Under steps and ramps, use engineered soil.
  - 4. Under footings and foundations, use engineered fill.
  - 5. In soil amendment areas for storm water management purposes, use 2:1 soil/compost mix. See civil engineering drawings for detail and more information
  - 6. In tree protection areas, use backfill mix of 80% topsoil and 20% organic material. See drawings for details and more information. Place in lifts of no more than 6" depth.

## 3.14 MOISTURE CONTROL

- A. Uniformly moisten or aerate subgrade and each subsequent fill or backfill layer before compaction. Fill should be compacted at or above the optimum moisture content.
  - 1. Do not place backfill or fill material on surfaces that are muddy, frozen, or contain frost or ice.
  - 2. Remove and replace, or scarify and air-dry, otherwise satisfactory soil material that exceeds optimum moisture content by 2 percent and is too wet to compact to specified dry unit weight.
  - 3. After fill placement, maintain the fill pad at or above optimum moisture content until placement of overlying structures or stone layers.

## 3.15 COMPACTION OF BACKFILLS AND FILLS

- A. Place backfill and fill materials in layers not more than 8 inches (200 mm) in loose depth for material compacted by heavy compaction equipment, and not more than 4 inches (100 mm) in loose depth for material compacted by hand-operated tampers.
- B. Place backfill and fill materials evenly on all sides of structures to required elevations, and uniformly along the full length of each structure.
- C. Compact soil to not less than the following percentages of maximum dry unit weight according to ASTM D 1557:

- 1. Under structures and pavements, scarify and recompact top 12 inches (300 mm) of existing subgrade and each layer of backfill or fill material at 95 percent.
- 2. Under lawn or unpaved areas, scarify and recompact top 6 inches (150 mm) below subgrade and compact each layer of backfill or fill material at 85 percent.
  - a. In tree protection areas place and compact backfill using only rubber tire equipment. Do not over-compact or disturb existing subgrade.

#### 3.16 GRADING

- A. General: Uniformly grade areas to a smooth surface, free from irregular surface changes. Comply with compaction requirements and grade to cross sections, lines, and elevations indicated.
  - 1. Provide a smooth transition between adjacent existing grades and new grades.
  - 2. Cut out soft spots, fill low spots, and trim high spots to comply with required surface tolerances.
- B. Site Grading: Slope grades to direct water away from buildings and to prevent ponding. Finish subgrades to required elevations within the following tolerances:
  - 1. Lawn or Unpaved Areas: Plus or minus 1 inch (25 mm).
  - 2. Pavements and Slabs-on-Grade: Plus or minus 1/2 inch (13 mm).

## 3.17 SUBSURFACE DRAINAGE

- A. Subsurface Drain: Place subsurface drainage geotextile around perimeter of subdrainage trench. Place a 6-inch course of filter material on subsurface drainage geotextile to support subdrainage pipe. Encase subdrainage pipe in a minimum of 12 inches of filter material, placed in compacted layers 6 inchesthick, and wrap in subsurface drainage geotextile, overlapping sides and ends at least 6 inches.
  - 1. Compact each filter material layer with a minimum of two passes of a plate-type vibratory compactor.
- B. Drainage Backfill: Place and compact filter material over subsurface drain, in width indicated, to within 12 inches of final subgrade, in compacted layers 6 inches thick. Overlay drainage backfill with 1 layer of subsurface drainage geotextile, overlapping sides and ends at least 6 inches.
  - 1. Compact each filter material layer with a minimum of two passes of a plate-type vibratory compactor.

## 3.18 BASE COURSES

- A. Under pavements, place base course on prepared subgrade and as follows:
  - 1. Place base course material over subgrade.
  - 2. Compact base courses at optimum moisture content to required grades, lines, cross sections, and thickness to not less than 95 percent of maximum dry unit weight according to ASTM D 1557.
  - 3. Shape base to required crown elevations and cross-slope grades.
  - 4. When thickness of compacted base course is 6 inches (150 mm) or less, place materials in a single layer.
  - 5. When thickness of compacted base course exceeds 6 inches (150 mm), place materials in equal layers, with no layer more than 6 inches (150 mm) thick or less than 3 inches (75 mm) thick when compacted.
- B. Pavement Shoulders: Place shoulders along edges of base course to prevent lateral movement. Construct shoulders, at least 12 inches (300 mm) wide, of satisfactory soil materials and compact simultaneously with each subbase and base layer to not less than 95 percent of maximum dry unit weight according to ASTM D 1557.

#### 3.19 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Testing Agency: Owner will engage a qualified independent geotechnical engineering testing agency to perform field quality-control testing.
- B. Allow testing agency to inspect and test subgrades and each fill or backfill layer. Proceed with subsequent earthwork only after test results for previously completed work comply with requirements.
- C. Footing Subgrade: At footing subgrades, at least one test of each soil stratum will be performed to verify design bearing capacities. Subsequent verification and approval of other footing subgrades may be based on a visual comparison of subgrade with tested subgrade when approved by Owner's Representative.
- D. Testing agency will test compaction of soils in place according to ASTM D 1556, ASTM D 2167, ASTM D 2922, and ASTM D 2937, as applicable.
- E. When testing agency reports that subgrades, fills, or backfills have not achieved degree of compaction specified, scarify and moisten or aerate, or remove and replace soil to depth required; recompact and retest until specified compaction is obtained.

#### 3.20 **PROTECTION**

A. Protecting Graded Areas: Protect newly graded areas from traffic, freezing, and erosion. Keep free of trash and debris.

- B. Repair and reestablish grades to specified tolerances where completed or partially completed surfaces become eroded, rutted, settled, or where they lose compaction due to subsequent construction operations or weather conditions.
  - 1. Scarify or remove and replace soil material to depth as directed by Owner's Representative; reshape and recompact.
- C. Where settling occurs before Project correction period elapses, remove finished surfacing, backfill with additional soil material, compact, and reconstruct surfacing.
  - 1. Restore appearance, quality, and condition of finished surfacing to match adjacent work, and eliminate evidence of restoration to the greatest extent possible.

# 3.21 DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS AND WASTE MATERIALS

- A. Disposal: Transport surplus satisfactory soil to designated storage areas on Owner's property. Stockpile or spread soil as directed by Owner's Representative.
  - 1. Remove waste material, including unsatisfactory soil, trash, and debris, and legally dispose of it off Owner's property.

## END OF SECTION 312000

#### SECTION 321216 ASPHALT PAVING

#### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### 1.1 SUMMARY

- A. Section Includes:
  - 1. Hot-mix asphalt patching.
  - 2. Hot-mix asphalt paving.
  - 3. Line striping and symbol marking of asphalt paving.
- B. Related Sections:
  - 1. Division 31 Section "Earthwork" for aggregate subbase and base courses

#### **1.2 DEFINITION**

A. Hot-Mix Asphalt Paving Terminology: Refer to ASTM D 8 for definitions of terms.

#### **1.3 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Product Data: For each type of product indicated. Include technical data and tested physical and performance properties.
  - 1. Job-Mix Designs: For each job mix proposed for the Work.
- B. Material Certificates: For each paving material, from manufacturer.
- C. Material Test Reports: For each paving material.

#### **1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. Testing Agency Qualifications: Qualified according to ASTM D 3666 for testing indicated.
- B. Regulatory Requirements: Comply with materials, workmanship, and other applicable requirements of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation

Specifications, Publication 408/2011 and Standard Special Provisions for asphalt paving work.

1. Measurement and payment provisions and safety program submittals included in standard specifications do not apply to this Section.

#### 1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver pavement-marking materials to Project site in original packages with seals unbroken and bearing manufacturer's labels containing brand name and type of material, date of manufacture, and directions for storage.
- B. Store pavement-marking materials in a clean, dry, protected location within temperature range required by manufacturer. Protect stored materials from direct sunlight.

#### **1.6 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

- A. Environmental Limitations: Do not apply asphalt materials if subgrade is wet or excessively damp, if rain is imminent or expected before time required for adequate cure, or if the following conditions are not met:
  - 1. Tack Coat: Minimum surface temperature of 60 deg F.
  - 2. Asphalt Base Course: Minimum surface temperature of 40 deg F and rising at time of placement.
  - 3. Asphalt Surface Course: Minimum surface temperature of 60 deg F at time of placement.
- B. Color Coatings and Line Striping: Proceed with coatings and striping only on clean, dry surfaces when the ambient temperature is above 50 degrees F and when surface temperature is below 140 degrees F.

## PART 2 - PRODUCTS

## 2.1 AGGREGATES

- A. General: Use materials and gradations that have performed satisfactorily in previous installations.
- B. Coarse Aggregate: ASTM D 692, sound; angular crushed stone, crushed gravel, or cured, crushed blast-furnace slag.

- C. Fine Aggregate: ASTM D 1073 or AASHTO M 29, sharp-edged natural sand or sand prepared from stone, gravel, cured blast-furnace slag, or combinations thereof.
  - 1. For hot-mix asphalt, limit natural sand to a maximum of 20 percent by weight of the total aggregate mass.
- D. Mineral Filler: ASTM D 242 or AASHTO M 17, rock or slag dust, hydraulic cement, or other inert material.

#### 2.2 **ASPHALT MATERIALS**

- Asphalt Binder: AASHTO M 320 Table 1, PG-64-22. A.
- B. Asphalt Cement: ASTM D 3381 for viscosity-graded material ASTM D 946 for penetration-graded material.
- C. Tack Coat: AASHTO M 140 emulsified asphalt, or AASHTO M 208 cationic emulsified asphalt, slow setting, diluted in water, of suitable grade and consistency for application.
- Water: Potable. D.

#### **AUXILIARY MATERIALS** 2.3

A. Joint Sealant: ASTM D 6690 or AASHTO M 324, Type II or III, hot-applied, single-component, polymer-modified bituminous sealant.

#### 2.4 LINE STRIPING MATERIALS

- Line Striping Paint: Highly pigmented acrylic line paint. Α.
  - 1. Colors selected from manufacturer's standard color samples

#### 2.5 MIXES

Hot-Mix Asphalt: Dense, hot-laid, hot-mix asphalt plant mixes complying with A. ASTM D3515 and designed in accordance with the requirements of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation Specifications, Publication 408/2007 and Standard Special Provisions, Publication 7:

- 1. Base Course: HMA Superpave 19.0 mm.
- 2. Surface Course: HMA Superpave 9.5mm.
- B. Emulsified-Asphalt Slurry: ASTM D 3910, Type 1 or Type 2.

## PART 3 - EXECUTION

#### 3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Verify that subgrade is dry and in suitable condition to begin paving.
- B. Proof-roll subgrade below pavements with heavy pneumatic-tired equipment to identify soft pockets and areas of excess yielding. Do not proof-roll wet or saturated subgrades.
  - 1. Completely proof-roll subgrade in one direction, repeating proof-rolling in direction perpendicular to first direction. Limit vehicle speed to 3 mph.
  - 2. Proof roll with a loaded 10-wheel, tandem-axle dump truck weighing not less than 15 tons.
  - 3. Excavate soft spots, unsatisfactory soils, and areas of excessive pumping or rutting, as determined by Architect, and replace with compacted backfill or fill as directed.
- C. Proceed with paving only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.
- D. Verify that utilities, traffic loop detectors, and other items requiring a cut and installation beneath the asphalt surface have been completed and that asphalt surface has been repaired flush with adjacent asphalt prior to beginning installation of imprinted asphalt.

## 3.2 PATCHING

- A. Hot-Mix Asphalt Pavement: Saw cut perimeter of patch and excavate existing pavement section to sound base. Excavate rectangular or trapezoidal patches, extending 12 inches into adjacent sound pavement, unless otherwise indicated. Cut excavation faces vertically. Remove excavated material. Recompact existing unbound-aggregate base course to form new subgrade.
- B. Tack Coat: Apply uniformly to vertical surfaces abutting or projecting into new, hot-mix asphalt paving at a rate of 0.05 to 0.15 gal./sq. yd..
  - 1. Allow tack coat to cure undisturbed before applying hot-mix asphalt paving.

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- 2. Avoid smearing or staining adjoining surfaces, appurtenances, and surroundings. Remove spillages and clean affected surfaces.
- C. Patching: Fill excavated pavements with hot-mix asphalt base mix for full thickness of patch and, while still hot, compact flush with adjacent surface.

# 3.3 REPAIRS

- A. Leveling Course: Install and compact leveling course consisting of hot-mix asphalt surface course to level sags and fill depressions deeper than 1 inch in existing pavements.
  - 1. Install leveling wedges in compacted lifts not exceeding 3 inches thick.
- B. Crack and Joint Filling: Remove existing joint filler material from cracks or joints to a depth of 1/4 inch.
  - 1. Clean cracks and joints in existing hot-mix asphalt pavement.
  - 2. Use emulsified-asphalt slurry to seal cracks and joints less than 1/4 inch wide. Fill flush with surface of existing pavement and remove excess.
  - 3. Use hot-applied joint sealant to seal cracks and joints more than 1/4 inch wide. Fill flush with surface of existing pavement and remove excess.

# 3.4 SURFACE PREPARATION

- A. General: Immediately before placing asphalt materials, remove loose and deleterious material from substrate surfaces. Ensure that prepared subgrade is ready to receive paving.
- B. Tack Coat: Apply uniformly to surfaces of existing pavement at a rate of 0.05 to 0.15 gal./sq. yd..
  - 1. Allow tack coat to cure undisturbed before applying hot-mix asphalt paving.
  - 2. Avoid smearing or staining adjoining surfaces, appurtenances, and surroundings. Remove spillages and clean affected surfaces.

# 3.5 HOT-MIX ASPHALT PLACING

A. Machine place hot-mix asphalt on prepared surface, spread uniformly, and strike off. Place asphalt mix by hand to areas inaccessible to equipment in a manner that prevents segregation of mix. Place each course to required grade, cross section, and thickness when compacted.

- 1. Place hot-mix asphalt base course in number of lifts and thicknesses indicated.
- 2. Spread mix at minimum temperature of 250 deg F.
- 3. Begin applying mix along centerline of crown for crowned sections and on high side of one-way slopes unless otherwise indicated.
- 4. Regulate paver machine speed to obtain smooth, continuous surface free of pulls and tears in asphalt-paving mat.
- B. Place paving in consecutive strips not less than 10 feet wide unless infill edge strips of a lesser width are required.
  - 1. After first strip has been placed and rolled, place succeeding strips and extend rolling to overlap previous strips. Complete a section of asphalt base course before placing asphalt surface course.
- C. Promptly correct surface irregularities in paving course behind paver. Use suitable hand tools to remove excess material forming high spots. Fill depressions with hot-mix asphalt to prevent segregation of mix; use suitable hand tools to smooth surface.

# 3.6 JOINTS

- A. Construct joints to ensure a continuous bond between adjoining paving sections. Construct joints free of depressions, with same texture and smoothness as other sections of hot-mix asphalt course.
  - 1. Clean contact surfaces and apply tack coat to joints.
  - 2. Offset longitudinal joints, in successive courses, a minimum of 6 inches.
  - 3. Offset transverse joints, in successive courses, a minimum of 24 inches.
  - 4. Construct transverse joints at each point where paver ends a day's work and resumes work at a subsequent time. Construct these joints using either "bulkhead" or "papered" method according to AI MS-22, for both "Ending a Lane" and "Resumption of Paving Operations."
  - 5. Compact joints as soon as hot-mix asphalt will bear roller weight without excessive displacement.
  - 6. Compact asphalt at joints to a density within 2 percent of specified course density.

## 3.7 COMPACTION

A. General: Begin compaction as soon as placed hot-mix paving will bear roller weight without excessive displacement. Compact hot-mix paving with hot, hand tampers or with vibratory-plate compactors in areas inaccessible to rollers.

- 1. Complete compaction before mix temperature cools to 185 deg F.
- B. Breakdown Rolling: Complete breakdown or initial rolling immediately after rolling joints and outside edge. Examine surface immediately after breakdown rolling for indicated crown, grade, and smoothness. Correct laydown and rolling operations to comply with requirements.
- C. Intermediate Rolling: Begin intermediate rolling immediately after breakdown rolling while hot-mix asphalt is still hot enough to achieve specified density. Continue rolling until hot-mix asphalt course has been uniformly compacted to comply with the requirements of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for HMA superpave design mixes.
- D. Finish Rolling: Finish roll paved surfaces to remove roller marks while hot-mix asphalt is still warm.
- E. Edge Shaping: While surface is being compacted and finished, trim edges of pavement to proper alignment. Bevel edges while asphalt is still hot; compact thoroughly.
- F. Repairs: Remove paved areas that are defective or contaminated with foreign materials and replace with fresh, hot-mix asphalt. Compact by rolling to specified density and surface smoothness.
- G. Protection: After final rolling, do not permit vehicular traffic on pavement until it has cooled and hardened.
- H. Erect barricades to protect paving from traffic until mixture has cooled enough not to become marked.

## 3.8 INSTALLATION TOLERANCES

- A. Pavement Thickness: Compact each course to produce the thickness indicated within the following tolerances:
  - 1. Base Course: Plus or minus 1/2 inch.
  - 2. Surface Course: Plus 1/4 inch, no minus.
- B. Pavement Surface Smoothness: Compact each course to produce a surface smoothness within the following tolerances as determined by using a 10-foot straightedge applied transversely or longitudinally to paved areas:
  - 1. Base Course: 1/4 inch.

- 2. Surface Course: 1/8 inch prior to leveling, patching, and resurfacing; 1/16 inch after leveling, patching, and resurfacing.
- 3. Crowned Surfaces: Test with crowned template centered and at right angle to crown. Maximum allowable variance from template is 1/16 inch.

## 3.9 LINE MARKING

- A. Do not apply line marking paint until layout has been verified with Architect.
- B. Allow paving to age for a minimum of 30 days before starting color coating process.
- C. Sweep and clean surface to eliminate loose material and dust.
- D. Apply line paint as shown on the drawings. Mask line areas with tape and apply in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

## 3.10 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Testing Agency: Engage a qualified testing agency to perform tests and inspections.
- B. Thickness: In-place compacted thickness of hot-mix asphalt courses will be determined according to ASTM D 3549.
- C. Surface Smoothness: Finished surface of each hot-mix asphalt course will be tested for compliance with smoothness tolerances.
- D. In-Place Density: Testing agency will take samples of uncompacted paving mixtures and compacted pavement according to Pennsylvania Department of Transportation standards for HMA superpave..
  - 1. One core sample will be taken for every 250 sq. yd. or less of installed pavement, with no fewer than 3 cores taken.
- E. Replace and compact hot-mix asphalt where core tests were taken.
- F. Remove and replace or install additional hot-mix asphalt where test results or measurements indicate that it does not comply with specified requirements.

# END OF SECTION 321216

#### SECTION 321313 MISCELLANEOUS SITE CONCRETE WORK

# PART 1 - GENERAL

## 1.1 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes exterior cement concrete pavement for the following:
  - 1. Paving and Walkways, including concrete bases for unit paving
  - 2. Stairs
- B. Related Sections include the following:.
  - 1. Division 31 Section "Earthwork" for subgrade preparation, grading, and subbase course.
  - 2. Division 32 Section "Pavement Joint Sealants" for joint sealants within concrete pavement and at isolation joints of concrete pavement with adjacent construction.
  - 3. Division 3 Section "Cast-in-Place Concrete" for general applications of concrete.

## **1.2 DEFINITIONS**

A. Cementitious Materials: Portland cement

## 1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type of manufactured material and product indicated.
- B. Design Mixes: For each concrete pavement mix. Include alternate mix designs when characteristics of materials, project conditions, weather, test results, or other circumstances warrant adjustments. Product Data: For each type of manufactured material and product indicated.
- C. Material Test Reports: From a qualified testing agency indicating and interpreting test results for compliance of the following with requirements indicated, based on comprehensive testing of current materials:
  - 1. Aggregates
- D. Material Certificates: Signed by manufacturers certifying that each of the following materials complies with requirements:

- 1. Cementitious materials and aggregates.
- 2. Steel reinforcement and reinforcement accessories.
- 3. Admixtures.
- 4. Curing compounds.
- 5. Applied finish materials.
- 6. Bonding agent or adhesive.
- 7. Joint fillers.

## **1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. Installer Qualifications: An experienced installer who has completed pavement work similar in material, design, and extent to that indicated for this Project and whose work has resulted in construction with a record of successful in-service performance.
- B. Manufacturer Qualifications: Manufacturer of ready-mixed concrete products complying with ASTM C 94 requirements for production facilities and equipment.
  - 1. Manufacturer must be certified according to the National Ready Mix Concrete Association's Plant Certification Program.
- C. Testing Agency Qualifications: An independent testing agency, acceptable to authorities having jurisdiction, qualified according to ASTM C 1077 and ASTM E 329 to conduct the testing indicated, as documented according to ASTM E 548.
- D. Source Limitations: Obtain each type or class of cementitious material of the same brand from the same manufacturer's plant and each aggregate from one source.
- E. ACI Publications: Comply with ACI 301, "Specification for Structural Concrete," unless modified by the requirements of the Contract Documents.
- F. Concrete Testing Service: Engage a qualified independent testing agency to perform material evaluation tests and to design concrete mixes.
- G. Mockups: Cast mockups of full-size sections of concrete pavement to demonstrate typical joints, surface finish, texture, exposed aggregate, color, and standard of workmanship.
  - 1. Build mockups in the location and of the size indicated or, if not indicated, as directed by Owner's Representative.
  - 2. Notify Owner's Representative seven days in advance of dates and times when mockups will be constructed.
  - 3. Obtain Owner's Representative's approval of mockups before starting construction.

- 4. Maintain approved mockups during construction in an undisturbed condition as a standard for judging the completed pavement.
- 5. Demolish and remove approved mockups from the site when directed by Owner's Representative.
- 6. Approved mockups may become part of the completed Work if undisturbed at time of Substantial Completion.

# **1.5 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

A. Traffic Control: Maintain access for vehicular and pedestrian traffic as required for other construction activities.

# PART 2 - PRODUCTS

### 2.1 FORMS

- A. Form Materials: Plywood, metal, metal-framed plywood, or other approved paneltype materials to provide full-depth, continuous, straight, smooth exposed surfaces.
  - 1. Use flexible or curved forms for curves of a radius 100 feet (30.5 m) or less.
- B. Form-Release Agent: Commercially formulated form-release agent that will not bond with, stain, or adversely affect concrete surfaces and will not impair subsequent treatments of concrete surfaces.

### 2.2 STEEL REINFORCEMENT

- A. Plain-Steel Welded Wire Fabric: ASTM A 185, fabricated from as-drawn steel wire into flat sheets.
- B. Deformed-Steel Welded Wire Fabric: ASTM A 497, flat sheet
- C. Reinforcement Bars: ASTM A 615/A 615M, Grade 60 (Grade 420), deformed.
- D. Steel Bar Mats: ASTM A 184/A 184M; with ASTM A 615/A 615M, Grade 60 (Grade 420), deformed bars; assembled with clips.
- E. Plain Steel Wire: ASTM A 82, as drawn..
- F. Joint Dowel Bars: Plain steel bars, ASTM A 615/A 615M, Grade 60 (Grade 420). Cut bars true to length with ends square and free of burrs.
- G. Tie Bars: ASTM A 615/A 615M, Grade 60 (Grade 420), deformed.

- H. Hook Bolts: ASTM A 307, Grade A (ASTM F 568M, Property Class 4.6), internally and externally threaded. Design hook-bolt joint assembly to hold coupling against pavement form and in position during concreting operations, and to permit removal without damage to concrete or hook bolt.
- I. Bar Supports: Bolsters, chairs, spacers, and other devices for spacing, supporting, and fastening reinforcement bars, welded wire fabric, and dowels in place. Manufacture bar supports according to CRSI's "Manual of Standard Practice" from steel wire, plastic, or precast concrete or fiber-reinforced concrete of greater compressive strength than concrete, and as follows:
  - 1. Equip wire bar supports with sand plates or horizontal runners where base material will not support chair legs.
  - 2. For epoxy-coated reinforcement, use epoxy-coated or other dielectricpolymer coated wire bar supports.

# 2.3 CONCRETE MATERIALS

- A. General: Use the same brand and type of cementitious material from the same manufacturer throughout the Project.
- B. Portland Cement: ASTM C 150, Type I or II.
  - 1. Provide concrete mix to achieve the color and finish of natural limestone for concrete on exposed surfaces of curbs, walls, walkways, and other site concrete that is exposed to view.
- C. Aggregate: ASTM C 33, uniformly graded, with coarse aggregate as follows:
  - 1. Maximum Aggregate Size: Maximum aggregate size allowed is 1/5 of the narrowest dimension between forms of the concrete member, or 3/4" of minimum clear spacing between reinforcing bars.
  - 2. Do not use fine or coarse aggregates containing substances that cause spalling.
- D. Water: ASTM C 94.

# 2.4 ADMIXTURES

- A. General: Admixtures certified by manufacturer to contain not more than 0.1 percent water-soluble chloride ions by mass of cement and to be compatible with other admixtures.
- B. Air-Entraining Admixture: ASTM C 260.

- C. Water-Reducing Admixture: ASTM C 494, Type A.
- D. High-Range, Water-Reducing Admixture: ASTM C 494, Type F.
- E. Water-Reducing and Accelerating Admixture: ASTM C 494, Type E.
- F. Water-Reducing and Retarding Admixture: ASTM C 494, Type D.

### 2.5 CURING MATERIALS

- A. Absorptive Cover: AASHTO M 182, Class 2, burlap cloth made from jute or kenaf, weighing approximately 9 oz./sq. yd. (305 g/sq. m) dry.
- B. Moisture-Retaining Cover: ASTM C 171, polyethylene film or white burlappolyethylene sheet.
- C. Water: Potable.
- D. Evaporation Retarder: Waterborne, monomolecular film forming, manufactured for application to fresh concrete.
- E. Clear Waterborne Membrane-Forming Curing Compound: ASTM C 309, Type 1, Class B.

### 2.6 RELATED MATERIALS

- A. Expansion- and Isolation-Joint-Filler Strips and Sealant Caps: ASTM D 1752, selfexpanding cork with removable top strip to create a reservoir for joint sealants. Removable top shall be 'Snap-Cap" (WR Meadows, Hampshire IL) or 'Zip Strip" expansion board cap (Greenstreak, St. Louis, MO).
- B. Bonding Agent: ASTM C 1059, Type II, non-redispersible, acrylic emulsion or styrene butadiene.

# 2.7 CONCRETE MIXES

- A. Prepare design mixes, proportioned according to ACI 211.1 and ACI 301, for each type and strength of normal-weight concrete determined by either laboratory trial mixes or field experience.
- B. Use a qualified independent testing agency for preparing and reporting proposed mix designs for the trial batch method.
  - 1. Do not use Owner's field quality-control testing agency as the independent testing agency.

- C. Proportion mixes to provide concrete with the following properties:
  - 1. Compressive Strength (28 Days): 3500 psi (24.1 MPa).
  - 2. Maximum Water-Cementitious Materials Ratio: 0.45.
  - 3. Slump Limit: 3 inches (75 mm).
    - a. Slump Limit for Concrete Containing High-Range Water-Reducing Admixture: Not more than 8 inches (200 mm) after adding admixture to plant- or site-verified, 2- to 3-inch (50- to 75-mm) slump.
- D. Cementitious Materials: Limit percentage, by weight, of cementitious materials other than portland cement according to ACI 301 requirements for concrete exposed to deicing chemicals.
- E. Add air-entraining admixture at manufacturer's prescribed rate to result in concrete at point of placement having an air content as follows within a tolerance of plus or minus 1.5 percent:
  - 1. Air Content: 5.5 percent for 1-1/2-inch (38-mm) maximum aggregate.
  - 2. Air Content: 6.0 percent for 3/4-inch (19-mm) maximum aggregate.

# 2.8 CONCRETE MIXING

- A. Ready-Mixed Concrete: Comply with requirements and with ASTM C 94 and ASTM C 1116.
  - 1. When air temperature is between 85 deg F (30 deg C) and 90 deg F (32 deg C), reduce mixing and delivery time from 1-1/2 hours to 75 minutes; when air temperature is above 90 deg F (32 deg C), reduce mixing and delivery time to 60 minutes.

# PART 3 - EXECUTION

# 3.1 **PREPARATION**

- A. Proof-roll prepared subbase surface to check for unstable areas and verify need for additional compaction. Proceed with pavement only after nonconforming conditions have been corrected and subgrade is ready to receive pavement.
- B. Remove loose material from compacted subbase surface immediately before placing concrete.

# 3.2 EDGE FORMS AND SCREED CONSTRUCTION

- A. Set, brace, and secure edge forms, bulkheads, and intermediate screed guides for pavement to required lines, grades, and elevations. Install forms to allow continuous progress of work and so forms can remain in place at least 24 hours after concrete placement.
- B. Clean forms after each use and coat with form release agent to ensure separation from concrete without damage.

# **3.3 STEEL REINFORCEMENT**

- A. General: Comply with CRSI's "Manual of Standard Practice" for fabricating reinforcement and with recommendations in CRSI's "Placing Reinforcing Bars" for placing and supporting reinforcement.
- B. Clean reinforcement of loose rust and mill scale, earth, ice, or other bond-reducing materials.
- C. Arrange, space, and securely tie bars and bar supports to hold reinforcement in position during concrete placement. Maintain minimum cover to reinforcement.
- D. Install welded wire fabric in lengths as long as practicable. Lap adjoining pieces at least one full mesh, and lace splices with wire. Offset laps of adjoining widths to prevent continuous laps in either direction.
- E. Install fabricated bar mats in lengths as long as practicable. Handle units to keep them flat and free of distortions. Straighten bends, kinks, and other irregularities, or replace units as required before placement. Set mats for a minimum 2-inch (50-mm) overlap to adjacent mats.

# 3.4 JOINTS

- A. General: Construct construction, isolation, and contraction joints and tool edgings true to line with faces perpendicular to surface plane of concrete. Construct transverse joints at right angles to centerline, unless otherwise indicated.
  - 1. When joining existing pavement, place transverse joints to align with previously placed joints, unless otherwise indicated.
- B. Construction Joints: Set construction joints at side and end terminations of pavement and at locations where pavement operations are stopped for more than one-half hour, unless pavement terminates at isolation joints.
  - 1. Provide preformed galvanized steel or plastic keyway-section forms or bulkhead forms with keys, unless otherwise indicated. Embed keys at least 1-1/2 inches (38 mm) into concrete.

- 2. Continue reinforcement across construction joints, unless otherwise indicated. Do not continue reinforcement through sides of pavement strips, unless otherwise indicated.
- 3. Provide tie bars at sides of pavement strips where indicated.
- 4. Use a bonding agent at locations where fresh concrete is placed against hardened or partially hardened concrete surfaces.
- C. Isolation Joints: Form isolation joints of preformed joint-filler strips with removable top strip for sealant. Place where new concrete is abutting concrete curbs, catch basins, manholes, inlets, structures, walks, other fixed objects, and where indicated.
  - 1. Locate expansion joints at intervals of 25 feet maximum, unless otherwise indicated, and as shown on the drawings.
  - 2. Extend joint fillers full width and depth of joint.
  - 3. Terminate joint filler less than 1/2 inch (12 mm) or more than 1 inch (25 mm) below finished surface if joint sealant is indicated. Install removable strip to create reservoir for joint sealant.
  - 4. Place top of joint filler flush with finished concrete surface if joint sealant is not indicated.
  - 5. Furnish joint fillers in one-piece lengths. Where more than one length is required, lace or clip joint-filler sections together.
  - 6. Protect top edge of joint filler during concrete placement with metal, plastic, or other temporary preformed cap. Remove protective cap after concrete has been placed on both sides of joint.
- D. Install dowel bars and support assemblies at all isolation joints. Lubricate or asphalt-coat one-half of dowel length to prevent concrete bonding to one side of joint.
- E. Contraction Joints: Form weakened-plane contraction joints, sectioning concrete into areas at intervals of 10 feet maximum or as indicated on the drawings. Construct contraction joints for a depth equal to at least one-fourth of the concrete thickness, as follows:
  - 1. Sawed Joints: Form contraction joints with power saws equipped with shatterproof abrasive or diamond-rimmed blades. Cut 1/8-inch- (3-mm-) wide joints into concrete when cutting action will not tear, abrade, or otherwise damage surface and before developing random contraction cracks.
- F. Edging: Tool edges of pavement, gutters, curbs, and joints in concrete after initial floating with an edging tool to the following radius. Repeat tooling of edges after applying surface finishes. Eliminate tool marks on concrete surfaces.
  - 1. Radius: 1/4 inch (6 mm).

## 3.5 CONCRETE PLACEMENT

- A. Inspection: Before placing concrete, inspect and complete formwork installation, reinforcement steel, and items to be embedded or cast in. Notify other trades to permit installation of their work.
- B. Remove snow, ice, or frost from subbase surface and reinforcement before placing concrete. Do not place concrete on frozen surfaces.
- C. Moisten subbase to provide a uniform dampened condition at the time concrete is placed. Do not place concrete around manholes or other structures until they are at the required finish elevation and alignment.
- D. Comply with requirements and with recommendations in ACI 304R for measuring, mixing, transporting, and placing concrete.
- E. Do not add water to concrete during delivery, at Project site, or during placement.
- F. Deposit and spread concrete in a continuous operation between transverse joints. Do not push or drag concrete into place or use vibrators to move concrete into place.
- G. Consolidate concrete by mechanical vibrating equipment supplemented by handspading, rodding, or tamping. Use equipment and procedures to consolidate concrete according to recommendations in ACI 309R.
  - 1. Consolidate concrete along face of forms and adjacent to transverse joints with an internal vibrator. Keep vibrator away from joint assemblies, reinforcement, or side forms. Use only square-faced shovels for hand-spreading and consolidation. Consolidate with care to prevent dislocating reinforcement, dowels, and joint devices.
- H. Screed pavement surfaces with a straightedge and strike off. Commence initial floating using bull floats or darbies to form an open textured and uniform surface plane before excess moisture or bleed water appears on the surface. Do not further disturb concrete surfaces before beginning finishing operations or spreading dryshake surface treatments.
- I. Cold-Weather Placement: Comply with ACI 306.1 and as follows. Protect concrete work from physical damage or reduced strength that could be caused by frost, freezing actions, or low temperatures.
  - 1. When air temperature has fallen to or is expected to fall below 40 deg F (4.4 deg C), uniformly heat water and aggregates before mixing to obtain a

concrete mixture temperature of not less than 50 deg F (10 deg C) and not more than 80 deg F (27 deg C) at point of placement.

- 2. Do not use frozen materials or materials containing ice or snow.
- 3. Do not use calcium chloride, salt, or other materials containing antifreeze agents or chemical accelerators, unless otherwise specified and approved in mix designs.
- J. Hot-Weather Placement: Place concrete according to recommendations in ACI 305R and as follows when hot-weather conditions exist:
  - 1. Cool ingredients before mixing to maintain concrete temperature at time of placement below 90 deg F (32 deg C). Chilled mixing water or chopped ice may be used to control temperature, provided water equivalent of ice is calculated to total amount of mixing water. Using liquid nitrogen to cool concrete is Contractor's option.
  - 2. Cover reinforcement steel with water-soaked burlap so steel temperature will not exceed ambient air temperature immediately before embedding in concrete.
  - 3. Fog-spray forms, reinforcement steel, and subgrade just before placing concrete. Keep subgrade moisture uniform without standing water, soft spots, or dry areas.

# **3.6 CONCRETE FINISHING**

- A. General: Wetting of concrete surfaces during screeding, initial floating, or finishing operations is prohibited.
- B. Float Finish: Begin the second floating operation when bleed-water sheen has disappeared and the concrete surface has stiffened sufficiently to permit operations. Float surface with power-driven floats, or by hand floating if area is small or inaccessible to power units. Finish surfaces to true planes. Cut down high spots, and fill low spots. Refloat surface immediately to uniform granular texture.
  - 1. Concrete Paving: Medium-to-Fine-Textured Broom Finish: Draw a soft bristle broom across float-finished concrete surface perpendicular to line of traffic to provide a uniform, fine-line texture.

# 3.7 CONCRETE PROTECTION AND CURING

- A. General: Protect freshly placed concrete from premature drying and excessive cold or hot temperatures. Comply with ACI 306.1 for cold-weather protection and follow recommendations in ACI 305R for hot-weather protection during curing.
- B. Evaporation Retarder: Apply evaporation retarder to concrete surfaces if hot, dry, or windy conditions cause moisture loss approaching 0.2 lb/sq. ft. x h (1 kg/sq. m x

h) before and during finishing operations. Apply according to manufacturer's written instructions after placing, screeding, and bull floating or darbying concrete, but before float finishing.

- C. Begin curing after finishing concrete, but not before free water has disappeared from concrete surface.
- D. Curing Methods: Cure concrete by moisture curing, moisture-retaining-cover curing, curing compound, or a combination of these as follows:
  - 1. Moisture Curing: Keep surfaces continuously moist for not less than seven days with the following materials:
    - a. Water.
    - b. Continuous water-fog spray.
    - c. Absorptive cover, water saturated, and kept continuously wet. Cover concrete surfaces and edges with 12-inch (300-mm) lap over adjacent absorptive covers.
  - 2. Moisture-Retaining-Cover Curing: Cover concrete surfaces with moistureretaining cover for curing concrete, placed in widest practicable width, with sides and ends lapped at least 12 inches (300 mm), and sealed by waterproof tape or adhesive. Immediately repair any holes or tears during curing period using cover material and waterproof tape.
  - 3. Curing Compound: Apply uniformly in continuous operation by power spray or roller according to manufacturer's written instructions. Recoat areas subjected to heavy rainfall within three hours after initial application. Maintain continuity of coating and repair damage during curing period.

# **3.8 PAVEMENT TOLERANCES**

- A. Comply with tolerances of ACI 117 and as follows:
  - 1. Elevation: 1/4 inch (6 mm).
  - 2. Thickness: Plus 3/8 inch (9 mm), minus 1/4 inch (6 mm).
  - 3. Surface: Gap below 10-foot- (3-m-) long, unleveled straightedge not to exceed 1/4 inch (6 mm).
  - 4. Lateral Alignment and Spacing of Tie Bars and Dowels: 1 inch (25 mm).
  - 5. Vertical Alignment of Tie Bars and Dowels: 1/4 inch (6 mm).
  - 6. Alignment of Tie-Bar End Relative to Line Perpendicular to Pavement Edge: 1/2 inch (13 mm).
  - 7. Alignment of Dowel-Bar End Relative to Line Perpendicular to Pavement Edge: Length of dowel 1/4 inch per 12 inches (6 mm per 300 mm).
  - 8. Joint Spacing: 3 inches (75 mm).
  - 9. Contraction Joint Depth: Plus 1/4 inch (6 mm), no minus.

10. Joint Width: Plus 1/8 inch (3 mm), no minus.

# 3.9 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Testing Agency: Engage a qualified independent testing and inspection agency to sample materials, perform tests, and submit test reports during concrete placement according to requirements specified in this Article.
- B. Testing Services: Testing shall be performed according to the following requirements:
  - 1. Sampling Fresh Concrete: Representative samples of fresh concrete shall be obtained according to ASTM C 172, except modified for slump to comply with ASTM C 94.
  - 2. Slump: ASTM C 143; one test at point of placement for each compressivestrength test, but not less than one test for each day's pour of each type of concrete. Additional tests will be required when concrete consistency changes.
  - 3. Air Content: ASTM C 231, pressure method; one test for each compressivestrength test, but not less than one test for each day's pour of each type of airentrained concrete.
  - 4. Concrete Temperature: ASTM C 1064; one test hourly when air temperature is 40 deg F (4.4 deg C) and below and when 80 deg F (27 deg C) and above, and one test for each set of compressive-strength specimens.
  - 5. Compression Test Specimens: ASTM C 31/C 31M; one set of four standard cylinders for each compressive-strength test, unless otherwise indicated. Cylinders shall be molded and stored for laboratory-cured test specimens unless field-cured test specimens are required.
  - 6. Compressive-Strength Tests: ASTM C 39; one set for each day's pour of each concrete class exceeding 5 cu. yd. (4 cu. m), but less than 25 cu. yd. (19 cu. m), plus one set for each additional 50 cu. yd. (38 cu. m). One specimen shall be tested at 7 days and two specimens at 28 days; one specimen shall be retained in reserve for later testing if required.
  - 7. When frequency of testing will provide fewer than five compressive-strength tests for a given class of concrete, testing shall be conducted from at least five randomly selected batches or from each batch if fewer than five are used.
  - When total quantity of a given class of concrete is less than 50 cu. yd. (38 cu. m), Owner's Representative may waive compressive-strength testing if adequate evidence of satisfactory strength is provided.
  - 9. When strength of field-cured cylinders is less than 85 percent of companion laboratory-cured cylinders, current operations shall be evaluated and corrective procedures shall be provided for protecting and curing in-place concrete.
  - 10. Strength level of concrete will be considered satisfactory if averages of sets of three consecutive compressive-strength test results equal or exceed specified

compressive strength and no individual compressive-strength test result falls below specified compressive strength by more than 500 psi (3.4 MPa).

- C. Test results shall be reported in writing to Owner's Representative, concrete manufacturer, and Contractor within 24 hours of testing. Reports of compressive-strength tests shall contain Project identification name and number, date of concrete placement, name of concrete testing agency, concrete type and class, location of concrete batch in pavement, design compressive strength at 28 days, concrete mix proportions and materials, compressive breaking strength, and type of break for both 7- and 28-day tests.
- D. Nondestructive Testing: Impact hammer, sonoscope, or other nondestructive device may be permitted by Owner's Representative but will not be used as the sole basis for approval or rejection.
- E. Additional Tests: Testing agency shall make additional tests of the concrete when test results indicate slump, air entrainment, concrete strengths, or other requirements have not been met, as directed by Owner's Representative. Testing agency may conduct tests to determine adequacy of concrete by cored cylinders complying with ASTM C 42, or by other methods as directed.

# 3.10 REPAIRS, CLEANING, AND PROTECTION

- A. Remove and replace concrete pavement that is broken, damaged, or defective, or does not meet requirements in this Section.
- B. Drill test cores where directed by Owner's Representative when necessary to determine magnitude of cracks or defective areas. Fill drilled core holes in satisfactory pavement areas with portland cement concrete bonded to pavement with epoxy adhesive.
- C. Protect concrete from damage. Exclude traffic from pavement for at least 14 days after placement. When construction traffic is permitted, maintain pavement as clean as possible by removing surface stains and spillage of materials as they occur.
- D. Maintain concrete pavement free of stains, discoloration, dirt, and other foreign material. Sweep concrete pavement not more than two days before date scheduled for Substantial Completion inspections..

# END OF SECTION 321313

## SECTION 321373 PAVEMENT JOINT SEALANTS

# PART 1 - GENERAL

## 1.1 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes the following:
  - 1. Expansion joints sealants within pavement
- B. Related Sections include the following:
  - 1. Division 32 Section "Miscellaneous Site Concrete Work" for constructing joints in concrete paving

## **1.2 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Product Data: For each joint-sealant product indicated.
- B. Samples for Verification: For each type and color of joint sealant required. Install joint-sealant samples in 1/2-inch- (13-mm-) wide joints formed between two 6-inch- (150-mm-) long strips of material matching the appearance of exposed surfaces adjacent to joint sealants.
- C. Product Certificates: Signed by manufacturers of joint sealants certifying that products furnished comply with requirements and are suitable for the use indicated.

### **1.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. Installer Qualifications: An experienced installer who has specialized in installing joint sealants similar in material, design, and extent to those indicated for this Project and whose work has resulted in joint-sealant installations with a record of successful in-service performance.
- B. Source Limitations: Obtain each type of joint sealant through one source from a single manufacturer.

### 1.4 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

A. Deliver materials to Project site in original unopened containers or bundles with labels indicating manufacturer, product name and designation, color, expiration date, pot life, curing time, and mixing instructions for multicomponent materials.

B. Store and handle materials to comply with manufacturer's written instructions to prevent their deterioration or damage due to moisture, high or low temperatures, contaminants, or other causes.

# 1.5 **PROJECT CONDITIONS**

- A. Environmental Limitations: Do not proceed with installation of joint sealants under the following conditions:
  - 1. When ambient and substrate temperature conditions are outside limits permitted by joint sealant manufacturer.
  - 2. When ambient and substrate temperature conditions are outside limits permitted by joint sealant manufacturer or are below 40 deg F (4.4 deg C).
  - 3. When joint substrates are wet.
- B. Joint-Width Conditions: Do not proceed with installation of joint sealants where joint widths are less than that allowed by joint sealant manufacturer for application indicated.
- C. Joint-Substrate Conditions: Do not proceed with installation of joint sealants until contaminants capable of interfering with their adhesion are removed from joint substrates.

# PART 2 - PRODUCTS

# 2.1 MATERIALS, GENERAL

- A. Compatibility: Provide joint sealants, backing materials, and other related materials that are compatible with one another and with joint substrates under conditions of service and application, as demonstrated by joint sealant manufacturer based on testing and field experience.
- B. Colors of Exposed Joint Sealants: As selected by Owner's Representative from manufacturer's full range for this characteristic.

# 2.2 COLD-APPLIED JOINT SEALANTS

A. Multicomponent Sealant: Pourable, chemically curing elastomeric formulation complying with ASTM C 920, Type S, Grade P, Use T.

# 2.3 JOINT-SEALANT BACKER MATERIALS

A. General: Provide joint-sealant backer materials that are nonstaining; are compatible with joint substrates, sealants, primers, and other joint fillers; and are approved for

applications indicated by joint sealant manufacturer based on field experience and laboratory testing.

B. Backer Strips for Cold- and Hot-Applied Sealants: ASTM D 5249; Type 2; of thickness and width required to control sealant depths, prevent bottom-side adhesion of sealant, and fill remainder of joint opening under sealant.

# 2.4 PRIMERS

A. Primers: Product recommended by joint sealant manufacturer where required for adhesion of sealant to joint substrates indicated, as determined from preconstruction joint- sealant-substrate tests and field tests.

# PART 3 - EXECUTION

# 3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Examine joints indicated to receive joint sealants, with Installer present, for compliance with requirements for joint configuration, installation tolerances, and other conditions affecting joint-sealant performance.
- B. Proceed with installation only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

# **3.2 PREPARATION**

- A. Surface Cleaning of Joints: Clean out joints immediately before installing joint sealants to comply with joint sealant manufacturer's written instructions.
- B. Joint Priming: Prime joint substrates where indicated or where recommended in writing by joint sealant manufacturer, based on preconstruction joint-sealantsubstrate tests or prior experience. Apply primer to comply with joint sealant manufacturer's written instructions. Confine primers to areas of joint-sealant bond; do not allow spillage or migration onto adjoining surfaces.

# 3.3 INSTALLATION OF JOINT SEALANTS

- A. General: Comply with joint sealant manufacturer's written installation instructions applicable to products and applications indicated, unless more stringent requirements apply.
- B. Sealant Installation Standard: Comply with recommendations of ASTM C 1193 for use of joint sealants as applicable to materials, applications, and conditions indicated.

- C. Install backer materials of type indicated to support sealants during application and at position required to produce cross-sectional shapes and depths of installed sealants relative to joint widths that allow optimum sealant movement capability.
  - 1. Do not leave gaps between ends of backer materials.
  - 2. Do not stretch, twist, puncture, or tear backer materials.
  - 3. Remove absorbent backer materials that have become wet before sealant application and replace them with dry materials.
- D. Install sealants by proven techniques to comply with the following and at the same time backings are installed:
  - 1. Place sealants so they directly contact and fully wet joint substrates.
  - 2. Completely fill recesses provided for each joint configuration.
  - 3. Produce uniform, cross-sectional shapes and depths relative to joint widths that allow optimum sealant movement capability.
- E. Tooling of Nonsag Sealants: Immediately after sealant application and before skinning or curing begins, tool sealants according to requirements specified below to form smooth, uniform beads of configuration indicated; to eliminate air pockets; and to ensure contact and adhesion of sealant with sides of joint.
  - 1. Remove excess sealants from surfaces adjacent to joint.
  - 2. Use tooling agents that are approved in writing by joint sealant manufacturer and that do not discolor sealants or adjacent surfaces.
- F. Provide joint configuration to comply with joint sealant manufacturer's written instructions, unless otherwise indicated

# 3.4 CLEANING

A. Clean off excess sealants or sealant smears adjacent to joints as the Work progresses by methods and with cleaning materials approved by manufacturers of joint sealants and of products in which joints occur.

# 3.5 **PROTECTION**

A. Protect joint sealants during and after curing period from contact with contaminating substances and from damage resulting from construction operations or other causes so sealants are without deterioration or damage at time of Substantial Completion. If, despite such protection, damage or deterioration occurs, cut out and remove damaged or deteriorated joint sealants immediately so installations with repaired areas are indistinguishable from the original work.

# END OF SECTION 321373

# SECTION 321400 UNIT PAVING

### PART 1 - GENERAL

### **1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS**

A. Drawings and general provisions of Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 1 Specification sections, apply to this Section.

### **1.2 SUMMARY**

- A. This Section includes the following:
  - 1. Bluestone pavers set in latex modified cement mortar on a concrete base
- B. Related Sections: The following sections contain requirements that relate to this Section:
  - 1. Division 31 Section "Earthwork" for compacted subgrade under unit pavers.
  - 2. Division 32 Section "Miscellaneous Site Concrete" for cast-in-place concrete work related to unit pavers.
  - 3. Division 32 Section "Pavement Joint Sealants" for sealing control and expansion joints in unit paving.

### **1.3 SUBMITTALS**

- A. General: Submit the following in accordance with Conditions of Contract and Division 1 Specification Sections.
- B. Product data for the following products:
  - 1. Bluestone pavers.
- C. Samples for verification purposes in full-size units of each type of unit paver indicated, in sets for each color, texture, and pattern specified, showing full range of variations expected in these characteristics.
  - 1. Provide samples with joints grouted and cured indicating full range of color to be expected in the completed work.
- D. Qualification data for firms and persons specified in "Quality Assurance" Article to demonstrate their capabilities and experience. Include list of completed projects with project names, addresses, names of Architects and Owners, plus other information specified.

# **1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. Installer Qualifications: Engage an experienced Installer who has successfully completed unit paver installations similar in material, design, and extent to that indicated for Project.
- B. Single-Source Responsibility: Obtain each color, type, and variety of unit pavers, joint materials, and setting materials from a single source with resources to provide products and materials of consistent quality in appearance and physical properties without delaying progress of the Work.
- C. Field-Constructed Mock-Up: Prior to installation of unit pavers, erect mock-ups for each form and pattern of unit pavers required to verify selections made under sample submittals. Build mock-ups to comply with the following requirements, using materials and same base construction including special features for expansion joints and contiguous work as indicated for final unit of Work.
  - 1. Locate mock-ups on site in location and size indicated or, if not indicated, as directed by Owner's Representative.
  - 2. Notify Owner's Representative one week in advance of the dates and times when mock-ups will be erected.
  - 3. Demonstrate quality of workmanship that will be produced in final unit of Work.
  - 4. Obtain Owner's Representative's acceptance of mock-ups before start of final unit of Work.
  - 5. Retain and maintain mock-ups during construction in undisturbed condition as a standard for judging completed unit of Work.
    - a. When directed, demolish and remove mock-ups from Project site.
    - b. Accepted mock-ups in undisturbed condition at time of Substantial Completion may become part of completed unit of Work.

# 1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Protect unit pavers and aggregate during storage and construction against wetting by rain, snow, or ground water and against soilage or contamination from earth and other materials.
- B. Protect grout and mortar materials from deterioration by moisture and temperature. Store in a dry location or in waterproof container. Keep containers tightly closed and away from open flame. Protect liquid components from freezing.

# **1.6 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

A. Cold-Weather Protection: Do not use frozen materials or materials mixed or coated with ice or frost. Do not build on frozen subgrade or setting beds. Remove and replace unit paver work damaged by frost or freezing.

- Weather Limitations: Protect unit paver work against freezing when atmospheric B. temperature is 40 deg F (4 deg C) and falling. Heat materials and provide temporary protection of completed portions of unit paver work. Comply with International Masonry All-Weather Council's "Guide Specification for Cold-Weather Masonry Construction," Section 04200. Article 3.
- C. Hot-Weather Requirements: Protect unit paver work when temperature and humidity conditions produce excessive evaporation of setting beds and grout. Provide artificial shade and wind breaks and use cooled materials as required. Do not apply mortar to substrates with temperatures of 100 deg F (38 deg C) and above.

# **PART 2 - PRODUCTS**

## **2.1 UNIT PAVERS**

- Α. **Bluestone Pavers:** 
  - 1. General: Provide only sound units free of defects that would interfere with proper placing of stone or impair strength or permanence of construction. Minor cracks and minor chipping incidental to handling in shipment and delivery will be acceptable subject to Owner's Representative's review and acceptance. Stones with excessive cracks will be rejected as not complying with specification requirements.
  - 2. Provide matched stone from a single quarry. Do not change source of flagstone pavers during the course of work to ensure consistent color range and textures.
    - a. Provide sound stone uniform in color and texture, free from mineral stains, or other foreign matter and defects to appearance and durability.
    - Color range, texture, and finish of Flagstone pavers shall be within range of b. approved samples.
  - 3. Bluestone pavers shall be natural metamorphic sandstone of the Appalachian Plateau, formed in the Devonian Age: Middle Devonian Stone, ASTM C616, Type II; with the following physical properties:
    - 17,000-18,500 psi (ASTM C170) a. Compressive strength across strata 10,000-11,000 psi (ASTM C170)
    - Compressive strength with strata b.
    - Flexural strength across strata c.
    - Flexural strength with strata d.
    - Water absorption (ASTM C97) e.
    - Abrasion resistance (ASTM C241) f.
  - Dimensions: 4.

2,000-2,300 psi (ASTM C99)

1,200-1,600 psi (ASTM C99)

1.2%-1.6% in 96 hours

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- a. Thickness: 2" nominal, 1.5" minimum.
- b. Sizes and shape varies, see drawings. Provide custom radius cut pavers where shown on drawings.
- 5. Color: Uniform Dark Blue Grey range
- 6. Finish: Sawn sides, thermal finish on face.
- 7. Source: Robinson Flagstone, Fort Washington, PA (215-646-3500)

## 2.2 PORTLAND CEMENT MORTAR SETTING BED MATERIALS FOR UNIT PAVING

- A. Portland Cement: ASTM C 150, Type I or II.
- B. Hydrated Lime: ASTM C 207, Type S.
- C. Aggregate: ASTM C 144 with a fineness module of 2.25 plus or minus 0.10.
- D. Latex additive (water emulsion), serving as replacement for part or all of gauging water, of type specifically recommended by latex additive manufacturer for use with job-mixed portland cement and aggregate and not containing a retarder.
- E. Water: Clean, free of materials detrimental to strength or bond of mortars.

# 2.3 GROUT MATERIALS FOR UNIT PAVING

- A. Latex-Portland Cement Grout: ANSI A118.6, composition as follows:
  - 1. Prepackaged dry mortar mix composed of portland cement, graded aggregate, and ethylene vinyl acetate in the form of a re- emulsifiable powder to which only water is added at job site.
  - 2. Latex additive serving as replacement for part or all of gauging water, combined at the job site with dry grout mixture, is acceptable for use.
  - 3. Provide grout in colors selected by Owner's Representative.
- B. Water: Clean, free of materials detrimental to strength or bond of grout.

# 2.4 MORTAR AND GROUT MIXES FOR UNIT PAVING

A. General: Comply with referenced standards and with manufacturers' instructions relative to mix proportions, mixing equipment, mixer speeds, mixing containers, mixing time, and other procedures needed to produce setting-bed and joint materials of uniform quality and with optimum performance characteristics. Discard mortars and grout when they have reached their initial set.

- B. Cement Paste Slush Coat: Mix slush coat to a consistency similar to that of thick cream and consisting of either neat cement and water or cement, sand, and water.
  - 1. For latex-modified portland cement setting-bed mortar, substitute latex admixture for part or all of water per directions of latex additive manufacturer.
- C. Latex-Modified Portland Cement Setting-bed Mortar: Proportion and mix portland cement, aggregate, and latex additive for setting bed to comply with directions of latex additive manufacturer and as necessary to produce stiff mixture with a moist surface when bed is ready to receive brick pavers.
- D. Latex-Modified Portland Cement Slurry Bond Coat: Proportion and mix portland cement, aggregate, and latex additive for slurry bond coat to comply with directions of latex additive manufacturer.
- E. Latex-Modified Portland Cement Grout: Add latex additive to dry grout mix in proportion and concentration recommended by latex additive manufacturer.
  - 1. Job-Mixed Colored Pigmented Grout: Select and proportion pigments with other ingredients to produce color required. Do not exceed pigment-to-cement ratio of 1 to 10, by weight. Proportion cement and aggregate to comply with directions of latex additive manufacturer.
  - 2. Job-Mixed Colored Aggregate Grout: Produce color required by combining colored aggregates with portland cement of selected color. Proportion cement and aggregate to comply with directions of latex additive manufacturer.

# PART 3 - EXECUTION

### **3.1 EXAMINATION**

A. Examine surfaces indicated to receive paving, with Installer present, for compliance with requirements for installation tolerances and other conditions affecting performance of unit pavers. Do not proceed with installation until unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

### **3.2 PREPARATION**

- A. Vacuum clean concrete substrates to remove dirt, dust, debris, and loose particles.
- B. Remove substances from concrete substrates that could impair bond of mortar, including curing and sealing compounds, form oil, and laitance.
- C. Proof roll prepared subgrade surface to check for unstable areas and areas requiring additional compaction. Do not proceed with installation of unit pavers until deficient

subgrades have been corrected and are ready to receive subbase for unit pavers.

# 3.3 INSTALLATION, GENERAL

- A. Do not use unit pavers with chips, cracks, voids, discolorations, and other defects that might be visible or cause staining in finished work.
- B. Cut unit pavers with motor-driven masonry saw equipment to provide clean, sharp, unchipped edges. Cut units to provide pattern indicated and to fit adjoining work neatly. Use full units without cutting where possible. Hammer cutting is not acceptable.
- C. Joint Pattern: As indicated below:
  - 1. Match joint pattern of field-constructed mock-up, in joint pattern as shown on the drawings.
- D. Handtight Joints: Where unit pavers are indicated without spaced joints, set unit pavers with hand-tight joints.
- E. Spaced Joint Widths: Where unit paving is indicated with spaced joints filled with grout, comply with the following requirement:
  - 1. Provide nominal joint width indicated with variations not exceeding plus or minus 1/16 inch.
- F. Tolerances: Do not exceed 1/16-inch unit-to-unit offset from flush (lippage) and a tolerance of 1/8 inch in 2'-0" and 1/4 inch in 10'-0" from level or slope as indicated, for finished surface of paving.
- G. Expansion and Control Joints: Provide for sealant-filled joints at locations and of widths indicated. Sealant materials and installation are specified in Division 32 Section "Pavement Joint Sealants."

# 3.4 MORTAR AND GROUT APPLICATIONS FOR UNIT PAVING

- A. Saturate-concrete subbase with clean water several hours before placing setting-bed. Remove surface water about 1 hour before placing setting-bed.
- B. Apply cement paste slush coat over surface of concrete subbase about 15 minutes prior to placing setting-bed. Limit area of slush coat to avoid its drying out prior to placing setting-bed. Do not exceed 1/16-inch thickness for cement slush coat.
- C. Apply mortar setting-bed over cement paste slush coat immediately after latter has been applied. Spread and screed setting bed to uniform thickness at subgrade elevations required for accurate setting of pavers to finished grades indicated.

- D. Mix and place only that amount of mortar setting bed that can be covered with pavers prior to initial set. Cut back, bevel edge, remove, and discard setting bed material that has reached initial set prior to placing paver.
- E. Wet pavers several hours before laying unless their initial rate of absorption (suction) when subjected to testing by method described in Section 9 of ASTM C 67 is less than 3/4 oz. per 30 sq. inches of immersed area. Do not lay pavers with free moisture on the surface.
- F. Place pavers before initial set of cement occurs. Immediately prior to placing pavers on green or wet setting bed, apply uniform 1/16-inch thick slurry bond coat to bed or to back of each paver with a flat trowel just prior to placing it on bed.
- G. Tamp and beat pavers with a wooden block or rubber mallet to obtain full contact with setting bed and to bring finished surfaces within indicated tolerances. Set each paver in single operation prior to initial set of mortar; do not return to areas already set and disturb pavers for purposes of realigning finished surfaces or adjusting joints.
- H. Grout joints as soon as possible after initial set of setting bed. Force grout into joints, taking care not to smear grout on adjoining brick and other surfaces. After initial set of grout, finish joints by tooling to produce a very slightly concave polished joint, free from drying cracks.
- I. Cure grout by maintaining in a damp condition for 7 days except as otherwise recommended by latex additive manufacturer.

# 3.5 REPAIR, POINTING, CLEANING, AND PROTECTION

- A. Remove and replace unit pavers that are loose, chipped, broken, stained, or otherwise damaged or if units do not match adjoining units as intended. Provide new units to match adjoining units and install in same manner as original units, with same joint treatment to eliminate evidence of replacement.
- B. Pointing: During tooling of joints, enlarge voids or holes and completely fill with mortar or grout. Point-up joints at sealant- type joints to provide a neat, uniform appearance, properly prepared for application of sealant.
- C. Cleaning: Remove excess grout from exposed paver surfaces, wash, and scrub clean.
  - 1. Remove protective coating as recommended by protective coating manufacturer and acceptable to paver and grout manufacturer. Trap and remove coating to prevent it from clogging drains.
- D. Provide final protection and maintain conditions in a manner acceptable to Installer, which ensures unit paver work being without damage or deterioration at time of

Substantial Completion.

# **END OF SECTION 321400**

#### SECTION 323119 ORNAMENTAL METAL HANDRAILS

### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### 1.1 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes the following:
  - 1. Ornamental metal exterior stairway handrails

#### **1.2 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR HANDRAIL SYSTEMS**

- A. General: In engineering handrail systems to withstand structural loads indicated, determine allowable design working stresses of railing materials based on the following:
  - 2. Cold-Formed Structural Steel: AISI "Specification for the Design of Cold-Formed Steel Structural Members."
- B. Structural Performance of Handrail Systems: Engineer, fabricate, and install handrails to withstand the following structural loads without exceeding the allowable design working stress of the materials for handrails, railing systems, anchors, and connections. Apply each load to produce the maximum stress in each of the respective components comprising handrails and railing systems.
  - 1. Handrails: Capable of withstanding the following loads applied as indicated:
    - a. Concentrated load of 200 lb/ft applied at any point and in any direction.
    - b. Uniform load of 50 lb per linear foot applied in any direction.
    - c. Concentrated and uniform loads above need not be assumed to act concurrently.
- C. Thermal Movements: Allow for thermal movement resulting from the following maximum change (range) in ambient temperature in engineering, fabricating, and installing handrails and railing systems to prevent buckling, opening of joints, overstressing of components and connections, and other detrimental effects. Base engineering calculation on actual surface temperatures of materials due to both solar heat gain and nighttime sky heat loss.
  - 1. Temperature Change (Range): 120 deg F (67 deg C), ambient; 180 deg F (100 deg C), material surfaces.
- D. Control of Corrosion: Prevent galvanic action and other forms of corrosion by insulating metals and other materials from direct contact with incompatible materials.

### **1.3 SUBMITTALS**

- A. Product data for each product used in ornamental metalwork, including finishing materials and methods.
- B. Shop drawings showing fabrication and installation of ornamental metalwork including plans, elevations, details of components, and attachments to other units of Work. Indicate materials and profiles of each ornamental metalwork member, fitting, joinery, finishes, fasteners, anchorages, and accessory items.
  - 3. Include setting drawings, templates, and directions for installation of anchor bolts and other anchorages to be installed as unit of Work of other sections.
  - 4. For installed products indicated to comply with certain design loadings, include structural analysis data sealed and signed by the qualified professional engineer who was responsible for their preparation.

# **1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. Fabricator Qualifications: Firm experienced in successfully producing ornamental metalwork similar to that indicated for this Project and with sufficient production capacity to produce required units without delaying the Work.
- B. Installer Qualifications: Arrange for installation of ornamental metalwork specified in this Section by the same firm that fabricated it.
- C. Welding Standards: Comply with applicable provisions of AWS D1.1 "Structural Welding Code--Steel" and AWS D1.2 "Structural Welding Code--Aluminum."
  - 5. Certify that each welder has satisfactorily passed AWS qualification tests for welding processes involved and, if pertinent, has undergone recertification.

# 1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

A. Store ornamental metalwork inside a well-ventilated area, away from uncured concrete and masonry, and protected from weather, moisture, soiling, abrasion, extreme temperatures, and humidity.

### **1.6 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

- A. Field Measurements: Where ornamental metalwork is indicated to fit to other construction, check actual dimensions of other construction by accurate field measurements before fabrication; show recorded measurements on final shop drawings. Coordinate fabrication schedule with construction progress to avoid delaying the Work.
  - 6. Where field measurements cannot be made without delaying the Work, guarantee dimensions and proceed with fabricating ornamental metalwork without field measurements. Coordinate other construction to ensure that actual dimensions correspond to guaranteed dimensions.

# PART 2 - PRODUCTS

### 2.1 METALS

- A. General: Provide metals free from surface blemishes where exposed to view in the finished unit. Exposed-to-view surfaces exhibiting pitting, seam marks, roller marks, stains, discolorations, or other imperfections on finished units are not acceptable.
- B. Manufactured Handrail Products: As manufactured by Julius Blum & Co, Inc., Wood Ridge, NJ (800-526-6293)
  - 1. Handrail Top: #4428, Steel.
  - 2. Handrail Post Base: #767 Cast Aluminum
  - 3. Straight Lambs Tongue top end, steel.
  - 4. Bevel Lambs Tongue bottom end, steel
- C. Steel and Iron: Provide steel and iron in the form indicated complying with the following requirements:
  - 1. Pipe: ASTM A 53/A 53 M, Schedule 80.
  - 2. Tubing: Cold-formed, ASTM A 500; or hot-rolled, ASTM A 501.
  - 3. Steel Plate, Shapes, and Bars: ASTM A 36/A 36M.
  - 4. Gray Iron Castings: ASTM A 48, Class 30.
  - 5. Malleable Iron Castings: ASTM A 47 (ASTM A 47M), grade as recommended by fabricator for type of use indicated.

### 2.2 MISCELLANEOUS MATERIALS

- A. Welding Electrodes and Filler Metal: Type and alloy of filler metal and electrodes as recommended by producer of metal to be welded, complying with applicable AWS specifications, and as required for color match, strength, and compatibility in the fabricated items.
- B. Fasteners: Use fasteners of same basic metal as the fastened metal, unless otherwise indicated. Do not use metals that are corrosive or incompatible with materials joined.
  - 2. Provide concealed fasteners for interconnection of ornamental metalwork components and for their attachment to other work, except where otherwise indicated.
  - 3. Provide concealed fasteners for interconnection of ornamental metalwork components and for their attachment to other work except where exposed fasteners are unavoidable or are the standard fastening method.
  - 4. Provide Phillips flat-head machine screws for exposed fasteners, unless otherwise indicated.
- C. Cast-in-Place and Post-Installed Anchors: Anchors of type indicated below, fabricated from corrosion-resistant materials with capability to sustain, without failure, a load equal to 6 times the load imposed when installed in unit masonry and equal to 4 times

the load imposed when installed in concrete as determined by testing per ASTM E 488 conducted by a qualified independent testing agency.

- 1. Cast-in-place anchors.
- D. Nonshrink, Nonmetallic Grout: Premixed, factory-packaged, nonstaining, noncorrosive, nongaseous grout complying with ASTM C 1107. Provide grout specifically recommended by manufacturer for interior and exterior applications.
- E. Shop Finish for Galvanized Steel:
  - 1. Epoxy Primer for Galvanized Steel: Complying with MPI #101 and compatible with coating specified to be applied over it.
- F. Bituminous Paint: Cold-applied asphalt emulsion complying with ASTM D 1187

# 2.3 FABRICATION, GENERAL

- A. Form ornamental metalwork to required shapes and sizes, with true curves, lines, and angles. Provide components in sizes and profiles indicated, but not less than required to comply with requirements indicated for structural performance.
- B. Provide necessary rebates, lugs, and brackets to assemble units and to attach to other work. Drill and tap for required fasteners, unless otherwise indicated. Use concealed fasteners wherever possible.
- C. Comply with AWS for recommended practices in shop welding and brazing. Provide welds and brazes behind finished surfaces without distortion or discoloration of exposed side. Clean exposed welded and brazed joints of all flux, and dress all exposed and contact surfaces.
- D. Mill joints to a tight, hairline fit. Cope or miter corner joints. Form joints exposed to weather to exclude water penetration.
- E. Provide castings that are sound and free of warp, cracks, blow holes, or other defects that impair strength or appearance. Grind, wire brush, sandblast, and buff castings to remove seams, gatemarks, casting flash, and other casting marks.
- F. Finish exposed surfaces to smooth, sharp, well-defined lines and arrises.
- G. Assemble items in the shop to the greatest extent possible to minimize field splicing and assembly. Disassemble units only as necessary for shipping and handling limitations. Clearly mark units for reassembly and coordinated installation. Use connections that maintain structural value of joined pieces.

# 2.4 FABRICATING HANDRAILS

A. Welded Connections: Fabricate handrails and railing systems of materials indicated

below to interconnect members by welding. Use welding method that is appropriate for metal and finish indicated and that develops strength required to comply with structural performance criteria. Finish exposed welds and surfaces smooth, flush, and blended to match adjoining surfaces.

- 5. Provide welded connections for ferrous handrails and railing systems.
- B. Form changes in direction of railing members as follows:
  - 1 By bending.
  - 6. By inserting prefabricated flush elbow fittings.
  - 7. By any method indicated above applicable to change of direction involved.
- C. Form simple and compound curves by bending members in jigs to produce uniform curvature for each repetitive configuration required; maintain profile of member throughout entire bend without buckling, twisting, or otherwise deforming exposed surfaces of handrail and railing components.
- D. For handrails and railing systems that are exposed to exterior or to moisture from condensation or other sources, provide weepholes or another means to drain water entrapped in hollow sections of railing members.
- E. Close exposed ends of handrail and railing members with manufacturer's standard prefabricated end fittings.

### 2.5 FINISHES, GENERAL

- A. Comply with NAAMM "Metal Finishes Manual" for recommendations relative to applying and designating finishes.
- B. Protect mechanical finishes on exposed surfaces from damage by applying a strippable temporary protective covering prior to shipment.

# 2.6 IRON AND STEEL FINISHES

- A. Preparation for Shop Priming: Prepare ferrous-metal surfaces to comply with minimum requirements indicated below and SSPC-SP 6/NACE No. 3, "Commercial Blast Cleaning" for surface preparation specifications and environmental exposure conditions of installed metal fabrications:
  - 1. Remove all loose scale by blasting in accordance with SSPC-SP6. Perform blasting with an air compressor having a minimum capacity of 200 C.F.M. and an air dryer with a minimum capacity of 250 C.F.M.. Use cast steel grit blast media G25, G40, or G50 in accordance with SAE J1993.
  - 2. Apply coating system within four hours of blasting, in a suitably designed spray booth capable of controlling environmental conditions. Do not apply paint when the air, steel or paint materials are below 50 degrees F. or the humidity is

above 80 percent.

- a. Do not apply paint when the relative humidity exceeds 80 percent or when the temperature is less than 5 degrees above the dew point. The temperature of the material to be coated must be within 5 degrees of the ambient temperature with minimum material temperature to be above 50 degrees. Monitor and record temperature and relative humidity on a daily basis during each application.
- B. Shop Priming: Shop apply epoxy primer, within four hours of blasting, to surfaces of metal at 4.0 to 6.0 mils DFT. Comply with SSPC-PA 1, "Paint Application Specification No. 1: Shop, Field, and Maintenance Painting of Steel," for shop painting.
  - 1. Prime surfaces prior to application of finish coat. Surfaces to be painted shall be clean and free of oil and dirt. Fill cracks and crevices at scrolls, circles, and at sandwiched components, with Dymonic polyurethane caulking after priming has cured and prior to application of the finish paint coat.
  - 2. Stripe paint corners, crevices, bolts, welds, and sharp edges.
- C. Finish Coat: Shop apply finish coat of acrylic latex topcoat.
  - 1. Color: Std RAL color to be selected by Owner's Representative.
- D. Provide finished product free of runs, sags, pinholes and holidays. Allow paint to fully cure before installation.

# PART 3 - EXECUTION

### **3.1 PREPARATION**

A. Coordinate and furnish anchorages and setting drawings, diagrams, templates, instructions, and directions for installing items having integral anchors that are to be embedded in concrete or masonry construction. Coordinate delivery of such items to the Project site.

### 3.2 INSTALLATION, GENERAL

- A. Provide anchorage devices and fasteners where necessary for securing ornamental metal items to in-place construction.
- B. Perform cutting, drilling, and fitting required to install ornamental metalwork. Set products accurately in location, alignment, and elevation, plumb, level, and true, measured from established lines and levels. Provide temporary bracing or anchors in formwork for items that are to be built into concrete, masonry, or similar construction.

- C. Fit exposed connections accurately together to form tight, hairline joints or, where indicated, with uniform reveals and spaces for sealants and joint fillers. Where cutting, welding, and grinding are required for proper shop fitting and jointing of ornamental metal items, restore finishes to eliminate any evidence of such corrective work.
- D. Do not cut or abrade finishes that cannot be completely restored in the field. Return items with such finishes to the shop for required alterations, followed by complete refinishing, or provide new units as required.
- E. Install concealed gaskets, joint fillers, insulation, and flashings as the work progresses, to make work weatherproof, soundproof, or lightproof as required.
- F. Restore protective coverings that have been damaged during shipment or installation. Remove protective coverings only when there is no possibility of damage from other work yet to be performed at the same location.
  - 8. Retain protective coverings intact and remove simultaneously from similarly finished items to preclude nonuniform oxidation and discoloration.
- G. Field Welding: Comply with the applicable AWS specification for procedures of manual shielded metal-arc welding, for appearance and quality of welds made, and for methods used in correcting welding work. Weld connections that are not to be left as exposed joints but cannot be shop-welded because of shipping size limitations. Grind exposed welded joints smooth and restore finish to match finish of adjacent surfaces.
- H. Corrosion Protection: Coat concealed surfaces of aluminum, cast iron, and unfinished steel that will be in contact with grout, concrete, masonry, wood, or dissimilar metals, with a heavy coat of bituminous paint

# 3.3 INSTALLING HANDRAILS

- A. Adjust handrails and railing systems prior to anchoring to ensure matching alignment at abutting joints. Space posts at interval indicated but not less than that required by design loadings.
- B. Concrete-Anchored Posts in Core-Drilled Holes: Core-drill concrete to produce holes with a diameter larger than outside dimensions of post but not wider than the specified post base plate or cover, and not less than 5 inches (125 mm) deep. Clean holes of loose material, insert posts, and fill annular space between post and concrete with nonshrink, nonmetallic grout, mixed and placed to comply with grout manufacturer's directions.
  - 9. Cover anchorage joint with flange or escutcheon plate attached to post after filling the annular space.
- C. Welded Connections: Use fully welded joints for permanently connecting railing

components by welding. Cope or butt components to provide 100 percent contact or use fittings designed for this purpose.

D. Expansion Joints: Provide expansion joints at locations indicated or, if not indicated, at intervals not to exceed 40 feet (12 m). Provide slip-joint internal sleeve extending 2 inches (50 mm) beyond joint on either side; fasten internal sleeve securely to one side; locate joint within 6 inches (150 mm) of post.

# 3.4 CLEANING AND PROTECTION

- A. Touchup Painting: Immediately after erection, clean field welds, bolted connections, and abraded areas of shop paint, and paint exposed areas with same material.
- B. Protect finishes of ornamental metalwork from damage during construction period with temporary protective coverings approved by ornamental metalwork fabricator. Remove protective covering at the time of Substantial Completion.
- C. Restore finishes damaged during installation and construction so that no evidence remains of correction work. Return items that cannot be refinished in the field to the shop; make required alterations and refinish entire unit; or provide new units as required.

# END OF SECTION 323119

# SECTION 329200 LAWNS

### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### **1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS**

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 01 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

#### 1.2 SUMMARY

- A. Section Includes:
  - 1. Seeding.
  - 2. Sodding.
  - 3. Lawn renovation.
- B. All lawns specified in this section and on the drawings shall be in addition to any lawn installation performed for soil erosion, dust control, or construction stabilization purposes during construction of the project. Contractor shall provide the specified lawn in a fully established condition for all lawn areas of the project within the contract limit line.
- C. Related Sections:
  - 1. Division 32 Section "Landscape Work"

#### **1.3 DEFINITIONS**

- A. Finish Grade: Elevation of finished surface of planting soil.
- B. Manufactured Soil: Soil produced off-site by homogeneously blending mineral soils or sand with stabilized organic soil amendments to produce topsoil or planting soil.
- C. Planting Soil: Native or imported topsoil, manufactured topsoil, or surface soil modified to become topsoil; mixed with soil amendments.
- D. Subgrade: Surface or elevation of subsoil remaining after completing excavation, or top surface of a fill or backfill immediately beneath planting soil.

E. Subsoil: All soil beneath the topsoil layer of the soil profile, and typified by the lack of organic matter and soil organisms.

# 1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type of product indicated.
- B. Certification of Grass Seed: From seed vendor for each grass-seed monostand or mixture stating the botanical and common name and percentage by weight of each species and variety, and percentage of purity, germination, and weed seed. Include the year of production and date of packaging.
  - 1. Certification of each seed mixture for turfgrass sod, identifying source, including name and telephone number of supplier.
- C. Qualification Data: For qualified landscape Installer.
- D. Product Certificates: For soil amendments and fertilizers, from manufacturer.
- E. Material Test Reports: For topsoil and imported topsoil.
- F. Planting Schedule: Indicating anticipated planting dates for each type of planting.

# **1.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

- A. Installer Qualifications: Installation of lawns and related work shall be performed by a firm with a minimum of five years experience specializing in this type of work. Landscape contractors that are approved for work on the Mercersburg Academy campus are listed below. Any other landscape contractor must be pre-approved by the Academy prior to award of a landscape subcontract.
  - 1. Treemovers LLC, Hagerstown, MD, 301-745-8942
  - 2. Weavers Landscape Company, Shippensburg, PA, 717-530-0076
  - 3. John M. Kline Landscaping Services, Chambersburg, PA, 717-860-9843
- B. Soil-Testing Laboratory Qualifications: An independent laboratory, recognized by the State Department of Agriculture, with the experience and capability to conduct the testing indicated and that specializes in types of tests to be performed.
- C. Topsoil Analysis: Furnish soil analysis by a qualified soil-testing laboratory stating percentages of organic matter; gradation of sand, silt, and clay content; cation exchange capacity; pH; and mineral and plant-nutrient content of topsoil.

- 1. Report suitability of topsoil for lawn growth. State-recommended quantities of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potash nutrients and soil amendments to be added to produce satisfactory topsoil.
- D. Applicable Specifications and Standards:.
  - 1. State of Pennsylvania Agricultural Standards for State "Certified" sod and seed.

## 1.6 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Seed: Deliver seed in original sealed, labeled, and undamaged containers.
- B. Sod: Harvest, deliver, store, and handle sod according to requirements in TPI's "Specifications for Turfgrass Sod Materials" and "Specifications for Turfgrass Sod Transplanting and Installation" in its "Guideline Specifications to Turfgrass Sodding." Deliver sod in time for planting within 24 hours of harvesting. Protect sod from breakage and drying.

# **1.7 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

- A. Planting Restrictions: Plant during one of the following periods. Coordinate planting periods with initial maintenance periods to provide required maintenance from date of planting completion.
  - 1. Spring Planting: March 1 to May 15
  - 2. Fall Planting: September 1 to October 30.
- B. Weather Limitations: Proceed with planting only when existing and forecasted weather conditions permit.

### **1.8 MAINTENANCE SERVICE**

- A. Initial Lawn Maintenance Service: Provide full maintenance by skilled employees of landscape Installer. Maintain as required in Part 3. Begin maintenance immediately after each area is planted and continue until acceptable lawn is established, but for not less than the following periods:
  - 1. Seeded Lawns: 90 days from date of planting completion or until final acceptance, whichever is longer.

- a. When initial maintenance period has not elapsed before end of planting season, or if lawn is not fully established, continue maintenance during next planting season.
- 2. Sodded Lawns: 90 days from date of planting completion or until final acceptance, whichever is longer.

# PART 2 - PRODUCTS

### **2.1 SEED**

- A. Grass Seed: Fresh, clean, dry, new-crop seed complying with AOSA's "Journal of Seed Technology; Rules for Testing Seeds" for purity and germination tolerances.
- B. Seed: Seed shall be free of quackgrass, timothy, bentgrass, clover, annual bluegrass, cheat, chess, chickweed, crabgrass, plantain, black medic, and except where specified, Canada bluegrass. Seed shall be delivered in original sealed packages bearing the producer's guaranteed analysis for percentages of mixtures and pure live seed. Seed shall be labeled in conformance with U.S. Department of Agricultural rules and regulations under the Federal Seed Act and shall be State of Maryland "Certified" seed. Seed that has become wet, moldy, or otherwise damaged will not be acceptable.:
- C. Seed Mixture shall be composed of the following mixture of State "Certified" seed:

For General Lawn Purposes:Certified Kentucky Bluegrass10.0%Certified Tall Fescue90.0%

### 2.2 TURFGRASS SOD

- A. Turfgrass Sod: Certified Turfgrass Sod, complying with TPI's "Specifications for Turfgrass Sod Materials" in its "Guideline Specifications to Turfgrass Sodding." Furnish viable sod of uniform density, color, and texture, strongly rooted, and capable of vigorous growth and development when planted.
- B. Sod shall be state "Certified" turfgrass, field grown two years old. Sod shall be field grown on a sandy loam soil. Sod grown on high clay content or high silt content soil is not acceptable.
- C. Sod shall not have plastic mesh reinforcing

 D. Sod for general site purposes shall be composed of the following mixture of State "Certified" seed, with varieties of specified seed selected from the current listing in "Agronomy Mimeo #77, Turfgrass Cultivar Recommendations for Maryland", published by the University of Maryland:

For General Lawn Purposes:Certified Kentucky Bluegrass10.0%,Certified Tall Fescue90.0%

### 2.3 TOPSOIL

- A. Topsoil: ASTM D 5268. Topsoil shall be natural surface soil, in a friable condition and shall contain less than 3 percent subsoil. The topsoil shall be free of hardpan material, stones and clods larger than ½ inch in diameter, sticks, tree or shrub roots, debris, toxic substances such as residual herbicides, and any other material detrimental to plant growth. Topsoil shall be free of plants or plant parts or undesirable plants such as but not limited to bermudagrass, nut sedge, mugwort, johnson grass, quack grass, Canada thistle, or other noxious weeds. The topsoil shall be certified to meet the following requirements:
  - 1. Topsoil shall be natural, original surface soil of a sandy loam texture, with a mechanical analysis of 65-70% sand, 15-20% silt, and 10-15% clay.
  - 2. Topsoil shall have at least 4%, but not more than 6%, organic matter.
  - 3. Topsoil pH shall be 6.0 to 7.0 inclusive unless otherwise specified. Agricultural limestone at not more than 5 pounds per cubic yard of topsoil may be used to adjust the pH of topsoil provided it is well mixed in a manner which does not destroy the structure of the soil.
  - 4. Topsoil salinity by electrical conductivity measurement shall not exceed 500 parts per million (ppm) as determined by Black (Editor), "Method of Soil Analysis", Part 2, published by the American Society of Agronomy.
  - 5. The topsoil nutrient level shall be greater than 100 lbs/acre of magnesium, 150 lbs/acre of phosphorous,and 120 lbs/acre of potassium.

# 2.4 INORGANIC SOIL AMENDMENTS

- A. Lime: ASTM C 602, agricultural ground limestone which contains at least 50% total oxides calcium oxide plus magnesium oxide. Ground limestone shall be ground to such a fineness that at least 50% will pass through a 100-mesh sieve and 98 to 100% will pass through a 20-mesh sieve.
- B. Sulfur: Granular, biodegradable, containing a minimum of 90 percent sulfur, with a minimum of 99 percent passing through No. 6 sieve and a maximum of 10 percent passing through No. 40 sieve.

- C. Iron Sulfate: Granulated ferrous sulfate containing a minimum of 20 percent iron and 10 percent sulfur.
- D. Aluminum Sulfate: Commercial grade, unadulterated.
- E. Agricultural Gypsum: Finely ground, containing a minimum of 90 percent calcium sulfate.
- F. Sand: Clean, washed, natural coarse masonry sand, size to a maximum of 1/8", free of toxic materials.

### 2.5 ORGANIC SOIL AMENDMENTS

- A. Organic matter shall be peat moss, composted bark, screened leaf mold, or other material reviewed and approved by the Owner's Representative.
  - 1. Peat moss shall be Type I sphagnum peat moss, finely divided with a pH of 4.0 to 5.0. Peat moss shall be damp prior to mixing with topsoil
  - 2. Composted bark shall be potting grade composted bark, with 100% passing the  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch sieve.
  - 3. Screened leaf mold shall be completely composted leaf mold free from all inorganic materials such as glass, paper, and plastic, with 100% passing the  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch sieve.

# 2.6 FERTILIZER

- A. Commercial Fertilizer: Commercial-grade complete fertilizer of neutral character, consisting of fast- and slow-release nitrogen, 50 percent derived from natural organic sources of urea formaldehyde, phosphorous, and potassium in the following composition:
  - 1. Composition: 10-25-15 analysis or as recommended by soil reports from a qualified soil-testing agency. 50% of the nitrogen shall be from sulfur coated urea.

# 2.7 MULCHES

- A. Straw Mulch: Provide air-dry, clean, mildew- and seed-free, salt hay or threshed straw of wheat, rye, oats, or barley.
- B. Fiber Mulch: Biodegradable, dyed-wood, cellulose-fiber mulch; nontoxic; free of plant-growth or germination inhibitors; with a maximum moisture content of 15 percent and a pH range of 4.5 to 6.5.
- C. Nonasphaltic Tackifier: Colloidal tackifier recommended by fiber-mulch manufacturer for slurry application; nontoxic and free of plant-growth or germination inhibitors.

#### 2.8 EROSION-CONTROL MATERIALS

- A. Erosion-Control Blankets: Biodegradable wood excelsior, straw, or coconut-fiber mat enclosed in a photodegradable plastic mesh. Include manufacturer's recommended steel wire staples, 6 inches long.
- B. Erosion-Control Fiber Mesh: Biodegradable burlap or spun-coir mesh, a minimum of 0.92 lb/sq. yd., with 50 to 65 percent open area. Include manufacturer's recommended steel wire staples, 6 inches long.

### 2.9 PLANTING SOIL MIX

A. Planting Soil Mix: A mixture of 4 parts topsoil mixed with 1 part organic soil amendment, plus fertilizers and other soil amendments as recommended in the laboratory soil report to comply with topsoil requirements.

# PART 3 - EXECUTION

### 3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Examine areas to receive lawns and grass for compliance with requirements and other conditions affecting performance.
- B. Proceed with installation only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

### **3.2 PREPARATION**

- A. Protect structures, utilities, sidewalks, pavements, and other facilities, trees, shrubs, and plantings from damage caused by planting operations.
  - 1. Protect adjacent and adjoining areas from hydroseeding and hydromulching overspray.
  - 2. Protect grade stakes set by others until directed to remove them.
- B. Provide erosion-control measures to prevent erosion or displacement of soils and discharge of soil-bearing water runoff or airborne dust to adjacent properties and walkways.

### 3.3 LAWN PREPARATION

- A. Limit lawn subgrade preparation to areas to be planted.
- B. Newly Graded Subgrades: Loosen subgrade to a minimum depth of 4 inches. Remove stones larger than 1 inch in any dimension and sticks, roots, rubbish, and other extraneous matter and legally dispose of them off Owner's property.
  - 1. Spread topsoil, apply soil amendments, fertilizer, and rooting stimulant on surface, and thoroughly blend into topsoil to create planting soil mix.
    - a. Delay mixing fertilizer with planting soil if planting will not proceed within a few days.
    - b. Mix lime with dry soil before mixing fertilizer.
  - 2. Spread planting soil mix to a depth of 4 inches for general lawn areas, and as noted on the drawings for areas of soil replacement, but not less than required to meet finish grades after light rolling and natural settlement. Do not spread if planting soil or subgrade is frozen, muddy, or excessively wet.
    - a. Reduce elevation of planting soil to allow for soil thickness of sod.
- C. Unchanged Subgrades: If lawns are to be planted in areas unaltered or undisturbed by excavating, grading, or surface-soil stripping operations, prepare surface soil as follows:
  - 1. Remove existing grass, vegetation, and turf. Do not mix into surface soil.
  - 2. Loosen surface soil to a depth of at least 6 inches. Apply soil amendments, fertilizers, and rooting stimulant according to planting soil mix proportions and mix thoroughly into top 4 inches of soil. Till soil to a homogeneous mixture of fine texture.
  - 3. Remove stones larger than 1 inch in any dimension and sticks, roots, trash, and other extraneous matter.
  - 4. Legally dispose of waste material, including grass, vegetation, and turf, off Owner's property.
- D. Finish Grading: Grade planting areas to a smooth, uniform surface plane with loose, uniformly fine texture. Grade to within plus or minus 1/2 inch of finish elevation. Roll and rake, remove ridges, and fill depressions to meet finish grades. Limit finish grading to areas that can be planted in the immediate future.Finish Grading: Grade planting areas to a smooth, uniform surface plane with loose, uniformly fine texture. Grade to within plus or minus 1/2 inch of finish elevation. Roll and rake, remove ridges, and fill depressions to meet finish grades. Limit finish grades to meet finish grades. Limit finish grading to areas that can be planted in the immediate future.
- E. Moisten prepared lawn areas before planting if soil is dry. Water thoroughly and allow surface to dry before planting. Do not create muddy soil.

F. Before planting, restore areas if eroded or otherwise disturbed after finish grading.

# 3.4 PREPARATION FOR EROSION-CONTROL MATERIALS

- A. Prepare area as specified in "Lawn Preparation" Article.
- B. For erosion-control blanket or mesh, install from top of slope, working downward, and as recommended by material manufacturer for site conditions. Fasten as recommended by material manufacturer.
- C. Moisten prepared area before planting if surface is dry. Water thoroughly and allow surface to dry before planting. Do not create muddy soil.

# 3.5 SEEDING

- A. Sow seed with spreader or seeding machine. Do not broadcast or drop seed when wind velocity exceeds 5 mph. Evenly distribute seed by sowing equal quantities in two directions at right angles to each other.
  - 1. Do not use wet seed or seed that is moldy or otherwise damaged.
  - 2. Do not seed against existing trees. Limit extent of seed to outside edge of planting saucer.
- B. Sow seed at a total rate of 6 lbs. per 1000 square feet.
- C. Rake seed lightly into top 1/8 inch of soil, roll lightly, and water with fine spray.
- D. Protect seeded areas with slopes exceeding 1:3 with erosion-control blankets or with erosion-control fiber mesh installed and stapled according to manufacturer's written instructions.
- E. Protect seeded areas with slopes not exceeding 1:3 by spreading straw mulch. Spread uniformly at a minimum rate of 2.5 tons/acre to form a continuous blanket 1-1/2 inches in loose depth over seeded areas. Spread by hand, blower, or other suitable equipment.
  - 1. Anchor straw mulch by crimping into soil with suitable mechanical equipment.

# 3.6 HYDROSEEDING

- A. Hydroseeding: Mix specified seed, fertilizer, and fiber mulch in water, using equipment specifically designed for hydroseed application. Continue mixing until uniformly blended into homogeneous slurry suitable for hydraulic application.
  - 1. Mix slurry with fiber-mulch manufacturer's recommended tackifier.
  - 2. Apply slurry uniformly to all areas to be seeded in a one-step process. Apply slurry at a rate so that mulch component is deposited at not less than 1500-lb/acre dry weight, and seed component is deposited at not less than the specified seed-sowing rate.

### 3.7 SODDING

- A. Lay sod within 24 hours of harvesting. Do not lay sod if dormant or if ground is frozen or muddy.
- B. Lay sod to form a solid mass with tightly fitted joints. Butt ends and sides of sod; do not stretch or overlap. Stagger sod strips or pads to offset joints in adjacent courses. Avoid damage to subgrade or sod during installation. Tamp and roll lightly to ensure contact with subgrade, eliminate air pockets, and form a smooth surface. Work sifted soil or fine sand into minor cracks between pieces of sod; remove excess to avoid smothering sod and adjacent grass.
  - 1. Lay sod across angle of slopes exceeding 1:3.
  - 2. Anchor sod on slopes exceeding 1:3 with steel staples spaced as recommended by sod manufacturer but not less than 2 anchors per sod strip to prevent slippage.
- C. Saturate sod with fine water spray within two hours of planting. During first week after planting, water daily or more frequently as necessary to maintain moist soil to a minimum depth of 1-1/2 inches below sod.

### 3.8 LAWN RENOVATION

- A. Renovate existing lawn damaged by Contractor's operations, such as storage of materials or equipment and movement of vehicles.
  - 1. Reestablish lawn where settlement or washouts occur or where minor regrading is required.
  - 2. Provide new topsoil and planting soil as required.
- B. Remove sod and vegetation from diseased or unsatisfactory lawn areas; do not bury in soil.

- C. Remove topsoil containing foreign materials resulting from Contractor's operations, including oil drippings, fuel spills, stone, gravel, and other construction materials, and replace with new topsoil.
- D. Mow, dethatch, core aerate, and rake existing lawn.
- E. Remove weeds before seeding. Where weeds are extensive, apply selective herbicides as required. Do not use pre-emergence herbicides.
- F. Remove waste and foreign materials, including weeds, soil cores, grass, vegetation, and turf, and legally dispose of them off Owner's property.
- G. Till stripped, bare, and compacted areas thoroughly to a soil depth of 6 inches.
- H. Apply soil amendments and initial fertilizers required for establishing new lawns and mix thoroughly into top 4 inches of existing soil. Provide new planting soil to fill low spots and meet finish grades.
- I. Apply seed and protect with straw mulch as required for new lawns.
- J. Water newly planted areas and keep moist until new lawn is established.

# 3.9 LAWN ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE

- A. Maintain and establish lawn by watering, fertilizing, weeding, mowing, trimming, replanting, and other operations. Roll, regrade, and replant bare or eroded areas and remulch to produce a uniformly smooth lawn. Provide materials and installation the same as those used in the original installation.
  - 1. In areas where mulch has been disturbed by wind or maintenance operations, add new mulch and anchor as required to prevent displacement.
- B. Watering: Provide and maintain temporary piping, hoses, and lawn-watering equipment to convey water from sources and to keep lawn uniformly moist to a depth of 4 inches.
  - 1. Schedule watering to prevent wilting, puddling, erosion, and displacement of seed or mulch. Lay out temporary watering system to avoid walking over muddy or newly planted areas.
  - 2. Water lawn with fine spray at a minimum rate of 1 inch per week unless rainfall precipitation is adequate.
- C. Mow lawn as soon as top growth is tall enough to cut. Repeat mowing to maintain specified height without cutting more than 1/3 of grass height. Remove no more than 1/3 of grass-leaf growth in initial or subsequent mowings. Do not delay mowing until grass

blades bend over and become matted. Do not mow when grass is wet. Schedule initial and subsequent mowings to maintain the following grass height:

- 1. Mow grass to a height of 2 to 2-1/2 inches.
- D. Lawn Postfertilization: Apply fertilizer at end of maintenance period and when grass is dry.
  - 1. Use fertilizer that will provide actual nitrogen of at least 1 lb/1000 sq. ft. to lawn area.

#### 3.10 SATISFACTORY LAWNS

- A. Lawn installations shall meet the following criteria as determined by Architect:
  - 1. Satisfactory Seeded Lawn: At end of maintenance period, a healthy, uniform, close stand of grass has been established, free of weeds and surface irregularities, with coverage exceeding 95 percent over any 10 sq. ft. and bare spots not exceeding 5 by 5 inches.
  - 2. Satisfactory Sodded Lawn: At end of maintenance period, a healthy, well-rooted, even-colored, viable lawn has been established, free of weeds, open joints, bare areas, and surface irregularities.
- B. Use specified materials to reestablish lawns that do not comply with requirements and continue maintenance until lawns are satisfactory.

### 3.11 CLEANUP AND PROTECTION

- A. Promptly remove soil and debris, created by lawn work, from paved areas. Clean wheels of vehicles before leaving site to avoid tracking soil onto roads, walks, or other paved areas.
- B. Erect temporary fencing or barricades and warning signs as required to protect newly planted areas from traffic. Maintain fencing and barricades throughout initial maintenance period and remove after lawn is established.
- C. Remove nondegradable erosion-control measures after grass establishment period.

# END OF SECTION 329200

### SECTION 329300 LANDSCAPE WORK

#### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### **1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS**

A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 01 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

#### 1.2 SUMMARY

- A. Section Includes:
  - 1. Trees.
  - 2. Shrubs.
  - 3. Ground cover.
  - 4. Plants.
- B. Related Sections:
  - 1. Division 32 Section "Lawns" for lawn planting.

### **1.3 DEFINITIONS**

- A. Backfill: The earth used to replace or the act of replacing earth in an excavation.
- B. Balled and Burlapped Stock: Exterior plants dug with firm, natural balls of earth in which they are grown, with ball size not less than sizes indicated; wrapped, tied, rigidly supported, and drum laced as recommended by ANSI Z60.1.
- C. Clump: Where three or more young trees were planted in a group and have grown together as a single tree having three or more main stems or trunks.
- D. Container-Grown Stock: Healthy, vigorous, well-rooted exterior plants grown in a container with well-established root system reaching sides of container and maintaining a firm ball when removed from container. Container shall be rigid enough to hold ball shape and protect root mass during shipping and be sized according to ANSI Z60.1 for type and size of exterior plant required.
- E. Finish Grade: Elevation of finished surface of planting soil.

- F. Multi-Stem: Where three or more main stems arise from the ground from a single root crown or at a point right above the root crown.
- G. Planting Soil: Native or imported topsoil, manufactured topsoil, or surface soil modified to become topsoil; mixed with soil amendments.
- H. Subgrade: Surface or elevation of subsoil remaining after completing excavation, or top surface of a fill or backfill, before placing planting soil.
- I. Subsoil: All soil beneath the topsoil layer of the soil profile, and typified by the lack of organic matter and soil organisms.

#### 1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type of product indicated.
- B. Samples for Verification: For each of the following:
  - 1. Planting soil mix
- C. Qualification Data: For qualified landscape Installer.
- D. Product Certificates: For each type of manufactured product, from manufacturer, and complying with the following:
  - 1. Manufacturer's certified analysis for standard products.
  - 2. Analysis of other materials by a recognized laboratory made according to methods established by the Association of Official Analytical Chemists, where applicable.
- E. Material Test Reports: For existing surface soil and imported topsoil].
- F. Planting Schedule: Indicating anticipated planting dates for exterior plants.
- G. Warranty: Sample of special warranty.

### **1.5 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

A. Installer Qualifications: A qualified landscape installer whose work has resulted in successful establishment of exterior plants. Landscape contractors that are approved for work on the Mercersburg Academy campus are listed below. Any other landscape contractor must be pre-approved by the Academy prior to award of a landscape subcontract.

- 1. Treemovers LLC, Hagerstown, MD, 301-745-8942
- 2. Weavers Landscape Company, Shippensburg, PA, 717-530-0076
- 3. John M. Kline Landscaping Services, Chambersburg, PA, 717-860-9843
- B. Soil-Testing Laboratory Qualifications: An independent laboratory, recognized by the State Department of Agriculture, with the experience and capability to conduct the testing indicated and that specializes in types of tests to be performed.
- C. Topsoil Analysis: Furnish soil analysis by a qualified soil-testing laboratory stating percentages of organic matter; gradation of sand, silt, and clay content; cation exchange capacity; deleterious material; pH; and mineral and plant-nutrient content of topsoil.
  - 1. Report suitability of topsoil for plant growth. State-recommended quantities of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potash nutrients and soil amendments to be added to produce satisfactory topsoil.
- D. Provide quality, size, genus, species, and variety of exterior plants indicated, complying with applicable requirements in ANSI Z60.1, "American Standard for Nursery Stock."
- E. Tree and Shrub Measurements: Measure according to ANSI Z60.1 with branches and trunks or canes in their normal position. Do not prune to obtain required sizes. Take caliper measurements 6 inches above the ground for trees up to 4-inch caliper size, and 12 inches above the ground for larger sizes. Measure main body of tree or shrub for height and spread; do not measure branches or roots tip-to-tip.
- F. Observation: Architect may observe trees and shrubs either at place of growth or at site before planting for compliance with requirements for genus, species, variety, size, and quality. Architect retains right to observe trees and shrubs further for size and condition of balls and root systems, insects, injuries, and latent defects and to reject unsatisfactory or defective material at any time during progress of work. Remove rejected trees or shrubs immediately from Project site.
  - 1. Notify Architect of sources of planting materials fourteen (14) days in advance of delivery to site.

### 1.6 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver exterior plants freshly dug.
- B. Do not prune trees and shrubs before delivery except as approved by Architect. Protect bark, branches, and root systems from sun scald, drying, sweating, whipping, and other handling and tying damage. Do not bend or bind-tie trees or shrubs in such a manner as to destroy their natural shape. Provide protective covering of exterior plants during delivery. Do not drop exterior plants during delivery and handling.

- C. Handle planting stock by root ball.
- D. Deliver exterior plants after preparations for planting have been completed and install immediately. If planting is delayed more than six hours after delivery, set exterior plants and trees in shade, protect from weather and mechanical damage, and keep roots moist.
  - 1. Set balled stock on ground and cover ball with soil, peat moss, sawdust, or other acceptable material.
  - 2. Do not remove container-grown stock from containers before time of planting.
  - 3. Water root systems of exterior plants stored on-site with a fine-mist spray. Water as often as necessary to maintain root systems in a moist condition.

# **1.7 PROJECT CONDITIONS**

- A. Planting Restrictions: Plant during one of the following periods. Coordinate planting periods with maintenance periods to provide required maintenance from date of Substantial Completion.
  - 1. Spring Planting: March 1 to May 30.
  - 2. Fall Planting: September 1 to November 15.
- B. Weather Limitations: Proceed with planting only when existing and forecasted weather conditions permit planting to be performed according to manufacturer's written instructions and warranty requirements.
- C. Coordination with Lawns: Plant trees and shrubs after finish grades are established and before planting lawns unless otherwise acceptable to Architect.
  - 1. When planting trees and shrubs after lawns, protect lawn areas and promptly repair damage caused by planting operations.

# 1.8 WARRANTY

- A. Special Warranty: Installer's standard form in which Installer agrees to repair or replace plantings and accessories that fail in materials, workmanship, or growth within specified warranty period.
  - 1. Failures include, but are not limited to, the following:
    - a. Death and unsatisfactory growth, except for defects resulting from lack of adequate maintenance, neglect, abuse by Owner, or incidents that are beyond Contractor's control.

- b. Structural failures including plantings falling or blowing over.
- 2. Warranty Periods from Date of Substantial Completion:
  - a. Trees and Shrubs: One year.
  - b. Ground Cover and Plants: One year.
- 3. Include the following remedial actions as a minimum:
  - a. Remove dead exterior plants immediately. Replace immediately unless required to plant in the succeeding planting season.
  - b. Replace exterior plants that are more than 25 percent dead or in an unhealthy condition at end of warranty period.
  - c. A limit of one replacement of each exterior plant will be required except for losses or replacements due to failure to comply with requirements.
  - d. Provide extended warranty for replaced plant materials; warranty period equal to original warranty period.

### **1.9 MAINTENANCE SERVICE**

- A. Initial Maintenance Service for Trees and Shrubs: Provide full maintenance by skilled employees of landscape Installer. Maintain as required in Part 3. Begin maintenance immediately after each area is planted and continue until plantings are acceptably healthy and well established, but for not less than maintenance period below.
  - 1. Maintenance Period: Three months from date of final planting completion, or until Acceptance, whichever is longer.
- B. Initial Maintenance Service for Ground Cover and Plants: Provide full maintenance by skilled employees of landscape Installer. Maintain as required in Part 3. Begin maintenance immediately after each area is planted and continue until plantings are acceptably healthy and well established, but for not less than maintenance period below.
  - 1. Maintenance Period: Three months from date of final planting completion, or until Acceptance, whichever is longer.

# PART 2 - PRODUCTS

### 2.1 TREE AND SHRUB MATERIAL

A. General: Furnish nursery-grown trees and shrubs complying with ANSI Z60.1, with healthy root systems developed by transplanting or root pruning. Provide well-shaped, fully

branched, healthy, vigorous stock free of disease, insects, eggs, larvae, and defects such as knots, sun scald, injuries, abrasions, and disfigurement.

- B. Provide trees and shrubs of sizes, grades, and ball or container sizes complying with ANSI Z60.1 for types and form of trees and shrubs required. Trees and shrubs of a larger size may be used if acceptable to Architect, with a proportionate increase in size of roots or balls.
- C. Root-Ball Depth: Furnish trees and shrubs with root balls measured from top of root ball, which shall begin at root flare according to ANSI Z60.1. Root flare shall be visible before planting.
- D. If formal arrangements or consecutive order of trees or shrubs is shown, select stock for uniform height and spread.

### 2.2 SHADE AND FLOWERING TREES

- A. Type 1 and Type 2 Shade Trees: Single-stem trees with straight trunk, well-balanced crown, and intact leader, of height and caliper indicated, complying with ANSI Z60.1 for type of trees required.
  - 1. Provide balled and burlapped trees.
  - 2. Branching Height: One-third to one-half of tree height.
- B. Small Upright Trees: Branched or pruned naturally according to species and type, with relationship of caliper, height, and branching according to ANSI Z60.1; stem form as follows:
  - 1. Stem Form: Single trunk or Multi-trunk clump, as shown on the drawings.
  - 2. Provide balled and burlapped trees.
- C. Small Spreading Trees: Branched or pruned naturally according to species and type, with relationship of caliper, height, and branching according to ANSI Z60.1; stem form as follows:
  - 1. Stem Form: Single trunk or Multi-trunk clump, as shown on the drawings.
  - 2. Provide balled and burlapped trees.

### 2.3 DECIDUOUS SHRUBS

A. Form and Size: Shrubs with not less than the minimum number of canes required by and measured according to ANSI Z60.1 for type, shape, and height of shrub.

- 1. Shrub sizes indicated are sizes after pruning.
- 2. Provide balled and burlapped or container-grown shrubs, as shown on the drawings.

### 2.4 CONIFEROUS EVERGREENS

- A. Form and Size: Normal-quality, well-balanced, coniferous evergreens, of type, height, spread, and shape required, complying with ANSI Z60.1.
- B. Form and Size: Specimen quality as described, symmetrically shaped coniferous evergreens.
  - 1. Shearing Designation: Natural, never sheared (N) or Semi-sheared or lightly sheared (LS), as shown on the drawings.
  - 2. Provide balled and burlapped trees.
  - 3. Provide balled and burlapped or container grown shrubs, as shown on the drawings

### 2.5 BROADLEAF EVERGREENS

- A. Form and Size: Normal-quality, well-balanced, broadleaf evergreens, of type, height, spread, and shape required, complying with ANSI Z60.1.
- B. Form and Size: Specimen quality as described, symmetrically shaped broadleaf evergreens.
  - 1. Shearing Designation: Natural, never sheared (N), or Semi-sheared or lightly sheared (LS), as shown on the drawings.
  - 2. Provide balled and burlapped trees.
  - 3. Provide balled and burlapped or container grown shrubs, as shown on the drawings

### 2.6 GROUND COVER PLANTS

- A. Ground Cover: Provide ground cover of species indicated, established and well rooted in pots or similar containers, and complying with ANSIZ60.1 and the following requirements:
  - 1. Container grown or rooted cuttings, as shown on the drawings.

# 2.7 PLANTS

A. Perennials and Ornamental Grasses: Provide healthy, field-grown plants from a commercial nursery, of species and variety shown or listed, complying with requirements in ANSI Z60.1.

- B. Vines: Provide vines of species indicated complying with requirements in ANSI Z60.1 as follows:
  - 1. Two-year plants with heavy, well-branched tops, with not less than 3 runners 18 inches or more in length, and with a vigorous well-developed root system.
  - 2. Provide field-grown vines. Vines grown in pots or other containers of adequate size and acclimated to outside conditions will also be acceptable.

### 2.8 TOPSOIL

- A. Topsoil: ASTM D 5268, Topsoil shall be natural surface soil, in a friable condition and shall contain less than 3 percent subsoil. The topsoil shall be free of hardpan material, stones and clods larger than ½ inch in diameter, sticks, tree or shrub roots, debris, toxic substances such as residual herbicides, and any other material detrimental to plant growth. Topsoil shall be free of plants or plant parts or undesirable plants such as but not limited to bermudagrass, nut sedge, mugwort, johnson grass, quack grass, Canada thistle, or other noxious weeds. The topsoil shall be certified to meet the following requirements:
  - 1. Topsoil shall be natural, original surface soil of a sandy loam texture, with a mechanical analysis of 65-70% sand, 15-20% silt, and 10-15% clay.
  - 2. Topsoil shall have at least 4%, but not more than 6%, organic matter.
  - 3. Topsoil pH shall be 6.0 to 7.0 inclusive unless otherwise specified. Agricultural limestone at not more than 5 pounds per cubic yard of topsoil may be used to adjust the pH of topsoil provided it is well mixed in a manner which does not destroy the structure of the soil.
  - 4. Topsoil salinity by electrical conductivity measurement shall not exceed 500 parts per million (ppm) as determined by Black (Editor), "Method of Soil Analysis", Part 2, published by the American Society of Agronomy.
  - 5. The topsoil nutrient level shall be greater than 100 lbs/acre of magnesium, 150 lbs/acre of phosphorous, and 120 lbs/acre of potassium.

# 2.9 INORGANIC SOIL AMENDMENTS

- A. Lime: ASTM C 602, agricultural ground limestone which contains at least 50% total oxides calcium oxide plus magnesium oxide. Ground limestone shall be ground to such a fineness that at least 50% will pass through a 100-mesh sieve and 98 to 100% will pass through a 20-mesh sieve.
- B. Sulfur: Granular, biodegradable, containing a minimum of 90 percent sulfur, with a minimum of 99 percent passing through No. 6 sieve and a maximum of 10 percent passing through No. 40 sieve.

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- C. Iron Sulfate: Granulated ferrous sulfate containing a minimum of 20 percent iron and 10 percent sulfur.
- D. Aluminum Sulfate: Commercial grade, unadulterated.
- E. Agricultural Gypsum: Finely ground, containing a minimum of 90 percent calcium sulfate

### 2.10 ORGANIC SOIL AMENDMENTS

- A. Organic matter used in planting soil and backfill mix shall be peat moss, composted bark, screened leaf mold, or other material reviewed and approved by the Owner's Representative.
  - 1. Peat moss shall be Type I sphagnum peat moss, finely divided with a pH of 4.0 to 5.0. Peat moss shall be damp prior to mixing with topsoil
  - 2. Composted bark shall be potting grade composted bark, with 100% passing the  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch sieve.
  - 3. Screened leaf mold shall be completely composted leaf kmold free from all inorganic materials such as glass, paper, and plastic, with 100% passing the ½ inch sieve.

### 2.11 FERTILIZER

A. Organic Commercial Fertilizer with mycorrhiza biostimulants. Acceptable products include M-Roots, (Novozymes Biologicals, Salem,VA).

# 2.12 MULCHES

- A. Organic Mulch for Trees and Shrubs: Free from deleterious materials and suitable as a top dressing of trees and shrubs, consisting of one of the following:
  - 1. Type: Shredded hardwood bark.
- B. Compost Mulch for Ground Covers: Well-composted, stable, and weed-free organic matter, peat humus or composted leaf mold, pH range of 5.5 to 8; moisture content 35 to 55 percent by weight.

# 2.13 TREE STABILIZATION MATERIALS

A. Stakes and Guys:

- 1. Upright and Guy Stakes: Rough-sawn, sound, new hardwood, free of knots, holes, cross grain, and other defects, 2-by-2-inch nominal by length indicated, pointed at one end.
- 2. Guys and Tie Wires: ASTM A 641/A 641M, Class 1, galvanized-steel wire, 2-strand, twisted, 12 gauge.
- 3. Hose Chafing Guards: Reinforced rubber or plastic hose at least 1/2 inch in diameter, black, cut to lengths required to protect tree trunks from damage.
- 4. Guy Cables: 5-strand, 3/16-inch- diameter, galvanized-steel cable, with zinc-coated turnbuckles, a minimum of 3 inches long, with two 3/8-inch galvanized eyebolts.
- 5. Flags: Standard surveyor's plastic flagging tape, white, 6 inches long.

### 2.14 MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS

A. Antidesiccant: Water-insoluble emulsion, permeable moisture retarder, film forming, for trees and shrubs. Deliver in original, sealed, and fully labeled containers and mix according to manufacturer's written instructions.

### 2.15 PLANTING SOIL MIX

- A. Planting Soil Backfill Mixture for Trees, Shrubs, and Groundcovers:
  - 1. Planting Soil Backfill mixture shall be 80% topsoil mixed with 20% organic material.
  - 2. Fertilizer and Soil Additives: After mixing all backfill mixtures shall have a certified soil analysis made at the Contractor's expense by a recognized soil testing laboratory. Based on the results of the test, the Contractor shall make recommendations to the Owner's Representative for adjustments to each backfill type to obtain optimum pH, nitrogen, phosphorous, potassium, soluble salts, and trace elements. The Contractor shall provide all additives required, upon review by the Owner's Representative..
  - 3. Mixing: Planting soil and backfill mixture shall be thoroughly mixed prior to planting

# PART 3 - EXECUTION

### 3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Examine areas to receive exterior plants for compliance with requirements and conditions affecting installation and performance.
- B. Proceed with installation only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

### 3.2 **PREPARATION**

- A. Protect structures, utilities, sidewalks, pavements, and other facilities, and lawns and existing exterior plants from damage caused by planting operations.
- B. Provide erosion-control measures to prevent erosion or displacement of soils and discharge of soil-bearing water runoff or airborne dust to adjacent properties and walkways.
- C. Lay out individual tree and shrub locations and areas for multiple plantings. Stake locations, outline areas, adjust locations when requested, and obtain Architect's acceptance of layout before planting. Make minor adjustments as required.
- D. Trunk Wrapping: Inspect tree trunks for injury, improper pruning, and insect infestation; take corrective measures required before wrapping. Wrap trees of 2-inch caliper and larger with trunk-wrap tape. Start at base of trunk and spiral cover trunk to height of first branches. Overlap wrap, exposing half the width, and securely attach without causing girdling.
- E. Apply antidesicant to trees and shrubs using power spray to provide an adequate film over trunks (before wrapping), branches, stems, twigs, and foliage to protect during digging, handling, and transportation.
  - 1. If deciduous trees or shrubs are moved in full leaf, spray with antidesiccant at nursery before moving and again two weeks after planting.
- F. Wrap trees and shrubs with burlap fabric over trunks, branches, stems, twigs, and foliage to protect from wind and other damage during digging, handling, and transportation.

### 3.3 PLANTING BED ESTABLISHMENT

- A. Loosen subgrade of planting beds to a minimum depth of 12". Remove stones larger than 1 inch in any dimension and sticks, roots, rubbish, and other extraneous matter and legally dispose of them off Owner's property. Excavate existing soils to a depth of 12" in soil replacement areas identified on the drawings.
  - 1. Spread topsoil, apply soil amendments and fertilizer on surface, and thoroughly blend planting soil mix.
    - a. Delay mixing fertilizer with planting soil if planting will not proceed within a few days.
    - b. Mix lime with dry soil before mixing fertilizer.
  - 2. Spread planting soil mix to a depth of 6 inches, or to 12 inch depths as shown on the drawings for soil replacement areas, but not less than required to meet finish grades

after natural settlement. Do not spread if planting soil or subgrade is frozen, muddy, or excessively wet.

- a. Spread approximately one-half the thickness of planting soil mix over loosened subgrade. Mix thoroughly into top 2 inches of subgrade. Spread remainder of planting soil mix.
- B. Finish Grading: Grade planting beds to a smooth, uniform surface plane with loose, uniformly fine texture. Roll and rake, remove ridges, and fill depressions to meet finish grades.
- C. Before planting, restore planting beds if eroded or otherwise disturbed after finish grading

### 3.4 EXCAVATION FOR TREES AND SHRUBS

- A. Pits and Trenches: Excavate circular pits with sides sloped inward. Trim base leaving center area raised slightly to support root ball and assist in drainage. Do not further disturb base. Scarify sides of plant pit smeared or smoothed during excavation.
  - 1. Excavate approximately three times as wide as ball diameter for balled and burlapped and container-grown stock.
- B. Subsoil removed from excavations may not be used as backfill.
- C. Obstructions: Notify Architect if unexpected rock or obstructions detrimental to trees or shrubs are encountered in excavations.
  - 1. Hardpan Layer: Drill 6-inch-diameter holes, 24 inches apart, into free-draining strata or to a depth of 10 feet, whichever is less, and backfill with free-draining material.
- D. Drainage: Notify Architect if subsoil conditions evidence unexpected water seepage or retention in tree or shrub pits.

#### **3.5 TREE AND SHRUB PLANTING**

- A. Before planting, verify that root flare is visible at top of root ball according to ANSI Z60.1.
- B. Set balled and burlapped stock plumb and in center of pit or trench with top of root ball 2 inches above adjacent finish grades.
  - 1. Remove burlap and wire baskets from tops of root balls and partially from sides, but do not remove from under root balls. Remove pallets, if any, before setting. Do not

use planting stock if root ball is cracked or broken before or during planting operation.

- 2. Place planting soil mix around root ball in layers, tamping to settle mix and eliminate voids and air pockets. When pit is approximately one-half backfilled, water thoroughly before placing remainder of backfill. Repeat watering until no more water is absorbed. Water again after placing and tamping final layer of planting soil mix.
- C. Set container-grown stock plumb and in center of pit or trench with top of root ball 2 inches above adjacent finish grades.
  - 1. Carefully remove root ball from container without damaging root ball or plant.
  - 2. Place planting soil mix around root ball in layers, tamping to settle mix and eliminate voids and air pockets. When pit is approximately one-half backfilled, water thoroughly before placing remainder of backfill. Repeat watering until no more water is absorbed. Water again after placing and tamping final layer of planting soil mix.
- D. Organic Mulching: Apply 3-inch average thickness of organic mulch extending 12 inches beyond edge of planting pit or trench. Do not place mulch within 3 inches of trunks or stems.
- E. Inspect tree trunks for injury, improper pruning, and insect infestation; take corrective measures required before wrapping. Wrap trees of 2-inch caliper and larger with trunk-wrap tape. Start at base of trunk and spiral cover trunk to height of first branches. Overlap wrap, exposing half the width, and securely attach without causing girdling.

### **3.6 TREE AND SHRUB PRUNING**

A. Prune, thin, and shape trees and shrubs according to standard horticultural practice. Prune trees to retain required height and spread. Unless otherwise indicated by Architect, do not cut tree leaders; remove only injured or dead branches from flowering trees. Prune shrubs to retain natural character.

# **3.7 TREE STABILIZATION**

- A. Trunk Stabilization: Unless otherwise indicated, provide trunk stabilization as follows:
  - 1. Upright Staking and Tying: Stake deciduous trees through 4-inch caliper and evergreen trees through 8 feet height. Use a minimum of 3 stakes of length required to penetrate at least 18 inches below bottom of backfilled excavation and to extend to the dimension shown on the drawings. Set vertical stakes and space to avoid penetrating root balls or root masses.

- 2. Support trees with three strands of tie wire encased in hose sections at contact points with tree trunk. Allow enough slack to avoid rigid restraint of tree.
- B. Guying and Staking: Guy and stake deciduous trees exceeding more than 4 inches in caliperand evergreen trees taller than 8 feet height, unless otherwise indicated. Securely attach no fewer than 3 guys to stakes 30 inches long, driven to grade.
  - 1. Support trees with strands of cable or multiple strands of tie wire encased in hose sections at contact points with tree trunk and reaching to turnbuckle. Allow enough slack to avoid rigid restraint of tree.
  - 2. Attach flags to each guy wire, 30 inches above finish grade.

# 3.8 GROUND COVER AND PLANT PLANTING

- A. Set out and space ground cover and plants as indicated.
- B. Dig holes large enough to allow spreading of roots and backfill with planting soil.
- C. Work soil around roots to eliminate air pockets and leave a slight saucer indentation around plants to hold water.
- D. Water thoroughly after planting, taking care not to cover plant crowns with wet soil.
- E. Protect plants from hot sun and wind; remove protection if plants show evidence of recovery from transplanting shock.
- F. Install erosion control fabric on all ground cover beds where the slope is 3:1 or greater. Install fabric vertically after finish grading and after placement of peat humus mulch, but prior to placing ground cover plants. Install ground cover plants directly through the jute mulch.

# 3.9 PLANTING BED MULCHING

- A. Mulch backfilled surfaces of planting beds and other areas indicated. Provide mulch ring around trees in lawn areas.
  - 1. Organic Mulch for Tree, Shrub, and Perennial Beds: Apply 3-inch average thickness of organic mulch, and finish level with adjacent finish grades. Do not place mulch against plant stems.
  - 2. Compost Mulch for Ground Cover Beds: Apply 2-inch average thickness of compost mulch, and finish level with adjacent finish grades.

#### 3.10 PLANT ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE

- A. Tree, Shrub, Ground Cover, and Plant Maintenance: The establishment period is intended to insure that the project is delivered to the Owner with all plant material installed and is in full, vigorous and healthy condition after transport, storage, and handling.
  - 1. Establishment Maintenance shall begin immediately after plant is installed and continue for a period of ninety (90) days or until Acceptance, whichever is longer. Plants not in a vigorous and healthy condition and true to habit shall be replaced, without cost to the Owner, as soon as weather and planting conditions permit.
- B. Establishment of new plantings shall consist of all maintenance normally required to keep the plantings healthy, vigorous, trim, and neat. Tasks shall include the following.
  - 1. Pruning: Pruning will include work that is necessary to maintain the plants in their normal growth pattern and the natural character of the plant. Pruning shall also include the removal of all deadwood, suckers and broken or badly bruised branches.
  - 2. Disease and Insect Control: Contractor will deliver plants free of diseases and insects at the end of the establishment period.
  - 3. Mulching: Maintain 3" hardwood mulch and peat humus.
  - 4. Weed Control: Contractor will deliver plant beds free of weeds and grasses at the end of the establishment period.
  - 5. Watering: Watering: Contractor shall insure that adequate moisture is provided to all plants by maintaining moist soil to a depth of at least 4 inches. Watering shall be performed to all new planting as follows: After a thorough initial watering at time of planting, plant material shall be watered twice a week for a period of three months. Watering shall provide a minimum of one inch of precipitation per week by either natural rainfall or contractor supplied methods.
  - 6. Staking and Guying: Maintain all stakes and guys in a taut and rigid state; review the site as necessary to assure that all wires are in place and that all safety flags are clearly visible. Reset plants to proper grade and upright condition if required and add topsoil to areas of settlement. All staking and guying materials shall be removed at the completion of the one year guarantee of plant material.

### 3.11 CLEANUP AND PROTECTION

- A. During planting, keep adjacent paving and construction clean and work area in an orderly condition.
- B. Protect exterior plants from damage due to landscape operations, operations by other contractors and trades, and others. Maintain protection during installation and maintenance periods. Treat, repair, or replace damaged plantings.

### 3.12 DISPOSAL

A. Disposal: Remove surplus soil and waste material, including excess subsoil, unsuitable soil, trash, and debris, and legally dispose of them off Owner's property.

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