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Dr. Ann Farris and Killeen City Council Members:

As we continue to work with our architect and contractor team, it has become apparent over the last several weeks the Roy J. Smith Middle School Project (Middle School #13) is potentially in jeopardy of having a forced delayed opening preventing students and staff to begin the 2017-2018 school year. Our target opening date remains July of 2017 to open the facility. While we remain optimistic, we are also requesting assistance and consideration regarding the attainment of critical milestones at this time.

Specifically, Cloud Construction Co., Inc. respectfully requests relief from active fire hydrants being located on site as required in Chapters 11-113 and 26-84 of City of Killeen Ordinances as well as an exception to appeal the process of the Fire Marshal's ruling to the Fire Board.

The following reasons for the delay of the construction project include:

- The project has encountered an extreme amount of groundwater requiring additional unforeseen earthwork.
- The project site has received over 45 days of rain since the mid-January mobilization.
- In an effort to meet the targeted completion date, the project began construction concurrent with the platting process causing logistical delays.

The aforementioned delays have created an abnormal construction sequencing and scheduling as a result. Thus, a temporary relief until August 1, 2016 is being submitted for consideration pertaining to the following items:

- Section 26-84 Paragraph (b)(1) City Utilities installation
- Section 26-84 Paragraph (b)(2) Fire Hydrants providing protection and operational

If the relief is granted, work with the following materials will likely commence and the project stands a good chance to attain substantial completion on time.

- Insulated Concrete Forms (ICF) consisting of Expanded-Polystyrene Foam-Plastic Panels (EPS)
 - UL Listed stay in place formwork for structural concrete walls
 - EPS has Flame Spread rating of 25 or less

- EPS has Smoke-Developed Index of 450 or less
- Noncombustible concrete and reinforcing steel
- Most of this will be exterior building walls
- Noncombustible interior masonry walls (toilet rooms)
- Noncombustible structural steel for roofing and second floor

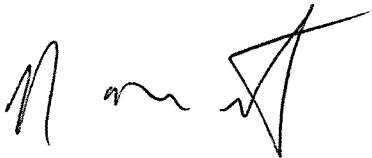
Upon consideration for granting the aforementioned relief, the following assurances will be provided by Cloud Construction Co., Inc.:

- Cloud Construction Co., Inc. will release City of Killeen from liability for fire protection during temporary relief.
- The site will have all weather access road meeting requirements of Sec. 11-114 – Fire lanes-Location.
- The project will not commence within confined spaces nor include overhead deck/roof construction.
- Cloud Construction Co., Inc. does not see any additional safety issues for construction workers.
- Cloud Construction Co., Inc. will have portable fire extinguishers when work is occurring.
- The building is 405' from nearest residential property.
- There are active existing fire hydrants north of the property, approximately 500' to nearest exterior wall of building and approximately 1,100' for farthest part of building.

The current construction schedule outlined below provides an overview of select benchmarks to better provide perspective of the project timeline.

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| ● All weather access road | June 7, 2016 |
| ● Begin exterior ICF | June 14, 2016 |
| ● Begin interior masonry | June 14, 2016 |
| ● Begin steel erection | July 5, 2016 |
| ● Utilities complete/Fire hydrants operational | July 24, 2016 |

The request for relief through August 1, 2016 should allow for any additional rain delays. Again, your consideration of this matter is greatly appreciated. Please let us know if you have any questions.



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