
Brunswick County Courthouse
Addition and Renovation Project
Exterior Sealing & Cleaning Update

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BRUNSWICK COUNTY COURTHOUSE ADDITION & RENOVATIONS



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Cheatham & Associates, P.A.
Plumbing, Mechanical and Electrical Engineers

Criser Troutman Tanner Consulting Engineers
Civil & Structural Engineers

Sage Design
Landscape Architect

Mulford Cost Management
Cost Estimating

Courthouse Exterior Walls

- Exterior walls of the courthouse are precast concrete panels
- The concrete panels are also structural in nature that contribute to the building overall structural strength
- The panels have metal clips embedded in the backside concrete for adherence to the building
- Backside clips are welded to the structural steel framing of the building
- There are horizontal and vertical joints between panels that run all around the building and from ground level to the roof
- The joints between concrete panels and around windows and doors are sealed using backer rod and joint sealant
- The existing joint sealing has held up well [building is approximately (22) years old] but showing visible signs of deterioration
- The existing building could also use a good cleaning

Existing Joint Sealant



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Existing Building Needs Cleaning



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Modern Day Masonry Joint Backer Rod and Joint Sealant



Technical Data Sheet

DOWSIL™ 790 Silicone Building Sealant

Ultra-low-modulus sealant for sensitive natural stone, porous stone, masonry and concrete façades

Features & Benefits

- Low-staining and plasticizer free, suitable for porous substrates
- Excellent performance even in building joints that experience extreme movement
- Extension/compression capability of +100/-50 percent
- Conforms to ISO 11600F-25LM
- Excellent weathering properties and resistance to sunlight, rain, snow, and temperature extremes
- Excellent unprimed adhesion to masonry, concrete and natural stone substrates
- Easy application over a wide temperature range

Composition

- One-part, neutral-cure silicone sealant

Applications

- Sealing of joints between natural stone
- Sealing of curtainwall joints and mullion joints
- Sealing of expansion and control joints
- Sealing of precast concrete panel joints and many other construction joints

Typical Properties

Specification Writers: These values are not intended for use in preparing specifications.

| Test | Property | Unit | Result |
|--|---------------------------------|------|--------|
| As Supplied | | | |
| CTM ¹ 98 | Skin-over Time (23°C, 50% R.H.) | min | 9 |
| CTM 95 | Tack-Free Time (23°C, 50% R.H.) | min | 31 |
| CTM 663 | Cure Rate (23°C, 50% R.H.) | | |
| | 1 Day | mm | 2.8 |
| | 3 Days | mm | 5.8 |
| As Cured – After 28 Days at 23°C and 50% RH | | | |
| CTM 99 | Durometer Hardness, Shore A | | 11 |
| ISO ² 8339 | Modulus 100% | MPa | 0.08 |
| ISO 8339 | Elongation at Break | % | 840 |

1. CTMs: Corporate Test Methods. Copies of CTMs are available upon request.
2. ISO: International Standardization Organization

Contractor Cost Estimates for Sealing Joints (anticipated start date = 2/1/2022 if approved)

Allowance Reduction Proposal



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Project: Brunswick County Courthouse Addition & Renovations

Owner Address: 310 Government Center Drive, NE
Bolivia, North Carolina 28422

ARP #: 107 R.1 - Exterior Caulking at Vertical & Horizontal Precast Joints

Proposal includes all labor, material, and equipment associated removing existing caulking at the vertical and horizontal precast joints on the existing courthouse building. Existing caulking will be removed, then closed cell backer rod, joints primed, and installation of Dow Corning 790. Price also includes ECS as a Third Party Inspection with scope outlined in their attached proposal. Installation warranty valid for 1 year.

| <u>Subcontractor</u> | <u>Proposal Total</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Kool Green | \$38,000.00 |
| MCC | \$896.00 |
| ECS | \$3,500.00 |
| Landscaping - Placeholder | \$1,000.00 |
| TOTAL SUBCONTRACTS | \$43,396.00 |
| 5% GC FEE | \$2,169.80 |
| TOTAL CHANGE AMOUNT | \$45,565.80 |

Sincerely,

Matt Brittan

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ARP #114 R.1 - Exterior Caulking at Windows, Doors & Louvers

Proposal includes all labor, material, and equipment associated removing existing caulking at the windows, doors & louvers on the existing courthouse building. Existing caulking will be removed, then closed cell backer rod, joints primed, and installation of Dow Corning 790. Price also includes ECS as a Third Party Inspection with scope outlined in their attached proposal. Installation warranty valid for 1 year.

| <u>Subcontractor</u> | <u>Proposal Total</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Kool Green | \$16,800.00 |
| MCC | \$896.00 |
| ECS | \$2,200.00 |
| Landscaping - Placeholder | \$1,000.00 |
| TOTAL SUBCONTRACTS | \$20,896.00 |
| 5% GC FEE | \$1,044.80 |
| TOTAL CHANGE AMOUNT | \$21,940.80 |

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Contractor Cost Estimates for Pressure Washing

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ARP #: 127 - Exterior Building Pressure Washing

Proposal includes all labor, material, and equipment cost associated with pressure washing the existing Courthouse. Proposal includes vertical walls only, no roofing or sidewalks included. MCC is not responsible for any water intrusion issues when pressurewashing.

| <u>Subcontractor</u> | <u>Proposal Total</u> |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>Kool Green</u> | <u>\$13,000.00</u> |
| <u>MCC</u> | <u>\$448.00</u> |
| <u>N/A</u> | <u>\$0.00</u> |
| <u>N/A</u> | <u>\$0.00</u> |
| TOTAL SUBCONTRACTS | <u>\$13,448.00</u> |
| 5% GC FEE | <u>\$672.40</u> |
| TOTAL CHANGE AMOUNT | <u>\$14,120.40</u> |

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Building Wall Precast Panel Removal – Phase 1 - April 2020



Wall Sheathing Had to be Installed for the New 15,000 SF Addition – April 2020



Summary

- The courthouse building is almost twenty-two years old now
- This is the only county building constructed with precast panels and this number of sealed joints
- The existing joint sealants have held up well but are deteriorating and will continue to degrade
- Lack of wall sheathing on the building makes it critical to keep all joints, windows, doors, etc., sealed against water intrusion behind the exterior panels
- The existing sealant should be removed, and new backer rod and silicone joint sealant installed in all exterior joints on the building to provide maximum protection and restore sealed joint longevity
- This work will be labor intensive and will require elevated lifts for a three-story building
- Most efficient course of action now is formal change order with current building contractor
- If not done as part of the building addition & renovation project, then must be budgeted for as a building deferred maintenance item in Operation Services budget as a future maintenance item

Questions??

