Intent to Sole Source Consulting Services

Washington State University (WSU) intends to contract with Tovar Planning of Edmonds, WA to provide the William D. Ruckelshaus Center with consulting services necessary to engage Washington residents in identifying a desired statewide vision for Washington’s future and develop a comprehensive report commissioned by the State of Washington Legislature. The report entitled “Road Map to Washington’s Future”, will articulate a shared vision of Washington’s desired future, identifying opportunities and current successes of state laws, institutions and policies in moving toward that future. Content of the report will be based on collaboration with associations of local governments, associations of the business, real estate and building industries, state agencies, environmental organizations state universities, public health and planning organizations and tribal governments.

The scope of work will include facilitation of twenty-five “community conversation” events at locations across the state, a series of in depth interviews, follow-ups and group meetings, targeted research to be coordinated with students and faculty members at the state’s six public universities, and synthesizing all these pieces into findings and recommendations for the report. The scope of work includes coordination of Ruckelshaus Center staff, other WSU Extension faculty and staff, and university students and volunteers to conduct the collaboration activities and research.

Joseph Tovar, Principal of Toval Planning, possesses a unique mix of knowledge, expertise, experience and relationships and credibility amongst stakeholders in Washington’s growth planning. The sole source determination is based on Mr. Tovar’s in-depth knowledge of the Legislature’s intent for funding the report, plus his unique combination of relevant experience, professional credentials in urban design and planning, and expertise in growth management and best practices for implementation. In addition, he has extensive knowledge of the legislative process and the structure and meaning of planning statutes.

The projected term of contract shall be 12/1/17 through 6/30/19.
Compensation shall not exceed $190,680 including expense reimbursements.

Any inquiries regarding this notification shall be sent to the WSU Purchasing Office via email to: gropp@wsu.edu. This notice is being provided in compliance with RCW 39.26.140 and RCW 28B.10.029. The deadline for inquiries is 5pm on November 29, 2017.