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Agency:	Sourcewell
Division:	Procurement Department
Contract Number:	090320
Contract Term:	4 years, with potential 1 year extension
Date of Issue:	07/16/2020
Due Date/Time:	09/03/2020 4:30 PM Central Time
County(ies):	All NYS counties
<b>Classification</b> :	Information Technology - Commodities
<b>Opportunity Type:</b>	General
Entered By:	Chris Robinson
Description:	Sourcewell, a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative, is requesting proposals for Public Sector and Education Administration Software Solutions with Related Services to result in a contracting solution for use by its Participating Entities. Sourcewell Participating Entities include thousands of governmental, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public agencies located in the United States and Canada. A full copy of the Request for Proposals can be found on the Sourcewell Procurement Portal [https://proportal.sourcewell-mn.gov]. Only proposals submitted through the Sourcewell Procurement Portal will be considered. Proposals are due no later than September 3, 2020, at 4:30 p.m. Central Time, and late proposals will not be considered.

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# **Contact Information**

Primary contact: Sourcewell Procurement Department Chris Robinson Procurement Manager 202 12th Street NE P.O. Box 219 Staples, MN 56479 United States Ph: 218-895-4168 chris.robinson@sourcewell-mn.gov

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#### Documents

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# **Response Specifics:**

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# **Important Dates**

Pre-Proposal Conference: August 5, 2020 at 10:00 am CDT

Proposals Due: September 3, 2020 at 4:30 pm CDT

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# **NFL's first female coach sees others follow**

# Nancy Armour

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Jen Welter didn't set out to be the first woman to coach in the NFL. Once she was, she was determined she wouldn't be the last.

It's been five years since Bruce Arians hired Welter to be part of his training camp coaching staff with the Cardinals. While Welter hasn't coached in the NFL since, others have. There are now more than a half-dozen women who are fulltime assistants in the league, and Katie Sowers was on Kyle Shanahan's Super Bowl staff with the 49ers last year.

All of it can be traced back to Welter, who talked about the progress on the latest episode of the "Changing the Game" podcast.

"It's the four-minute mile run phenomenon," Welter said. "It's impossible, unheard of. Can't work, will never happen. Until it does. That's what we did. And then the league has done a great job of creating situations with intentionality to move the needle forward from that moment."

Welter never had intentions of playing football with men, let alone coaching men's teams.

"I would be like, 'Dude, I'm not crazy, OK? I am 5-foot-2, 132 pounds. I'm not doing that. I don't want to get killed, " she recalled. "Until it happens."

After playing on women's profes-



Jen Welter joins our 'Changing the Game' podcast to discuss her time as an NFL coach. MICHAEL CHOW/THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC

sional and semiprofessional teams for more than a decade – she was part of the U.S. team that won the title at the world championships in 2010 and 2013 – she was offered a spot with the Texas Revolution, a men's indoor team, in 2014. A defensive player her entire career, she played running back, a first in a men's professional league.

The following year, she joined the Revolution's coaching staff. When Welter heard Arians say a woman could coach in the NFL so long as she could show she'd make players better, she wrangled an introduction.

Arians is committed to diversity and inclusion – his offensive and defensive coordinators with Tampa Bay are Black, and there are two women on his current staff – but he wasn't trying to make a point. And Welter wouldn't have been interested if he had.

The stakes were too high.

"People look at it now and they say, 'Well, of course Bruce should have done that. That just makes sense.' And I push back and I'm like, 'Really? You say that. But what if something had gone wrong?'" Welter said. "Then the conversation would have been, 'Bruce Arians. Do you remember the time he lost his mind and hired that girl?'"

But Welter was well-received by the players and her fellow coaches. Better yet, she was respected by the players and her fellow coaches. That made it less of a gamble for other coaches to hire female assistants.

Some were coaching interns like Welter. Soon enough, some were full-time assistants like Sowers. When new Browns coach Kevin Stefanski was looking for a chief of staff, the job he had when he broke into the NFL, he hired Callie Brownson, who'd done stints with the Bills, Dartmouth and the Jets.

Last year, Welter was an assistant with the Atlanta Legends of the nowdefunct Alliance of American Football. Her focus now is on Grrridiron Girls, flag football camps that feature former NFL players. The camps introduce young girls to the game but also provide networking opportunities for women who want to be coaches.

She might not ever coach in a Super Bowl. Or be a head coach in the NFL. But other women will, and Welter will have made it possible.

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# Questions, few answers for new Washington name

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Washington's NFL team announced Monday it will soon part ways with its name and logo after 87 years, in the wake of continued pressure from sponsors, fans and activists. So, what's next?

The team has offered few clues about potential replacement names and logos. Coach Ron Rivera previously told The Washington Post he would love to have the matter settled by the start of training camp at the end of the month.

While we wait, here's a look at possibilities that have been bandied about – and some of the key considerations as the team nears a decision.

# What are the top contenders?

There has been no shortage of fan suggestions, obviously – many of them made in jest. (The Washington Lobbyists, Washington Beltway Drivers, etc.) But in terms of serious contenders, it volved around nicknames that begin with "Red," such as "Red Wolves" or "Red Tails." This would allow the team to continue to use its "HTTR" slogan for marketing purposes; the acronym has previously been short for "Hail To The Redskins." The "Red Tails" name would also be something of an homage to the Tuskegee Airmen, which would be in line with Rivera's stated desire to honor members of the military with the new name.

Washington owner Daniel Snyder has also previously shown a preference for "Warriors." He purchased an expansion franchise in the Arena Football League that was supposed to begin play in 2003 but never did. He had planned to call that team the Washington Warriors.

# What do players and alumni think?

Defensive lineman Jonathan Allen, former linebacker Will Compton and former cornerback Fred Smoot are has been particularly vocal.

"It is an endangered species. It allows us to keep the 'HTTR,' "Smoot told NBC Sports Washington late last week. "It allows us to keep the burgundy and gold. It allows us to have some crazy uniforms. Like I said before, I can see 80,000 people in FedExField howling like wolves after Chase Young gets a sack to win a game."

Quarterback Dwayne Haskins, meanwhile, expressed a preference for "Red Tails" early in the process. And explayer Doc Walker, who co-hosts a radio show for The Team 980, has suggested "Warriors" and the team revert to its 1960s logo of an arrow.

#### Which name do oddsmakers favor?

As of Tuesday, it was "Red Tails." Online sports book Bovada LV listed "Red Tails" or "Red Clouds" at 2-1 odds, followed by "Warriors," then "Hogs," or any variety thereof. A second sports book, BetOnline.ag, has "Red Tails" at 3-1 odds, just ahead of "Generals" and "Warriors," each at 4-1. Interestingly, "Red Wolves" is not listed by Bovada LV, while garnering 6-1 odds at Bet-Online.ag. But Danny Sheridan has Red Wolves a 2-1 favorite.

# What's the concern with Warriors?

Given Snyder's previous dabbling with the name, "Warriors" might seem like an easy solution, as Walker put it. But there's concern that the name would maintain the link between the team and Native American imagery – especially if, for example, the new logo was the arrow with feathers that Washington previously used as branding in the 1960s.

"If that's their idea, have they learned nothing?" said Amanda Blackhorse, who previously fought to cancel the Washington team's federal trademark registrations.

ESPN reported last week that Washington is planning to have no Native American imagery in connection with its new name. But even if that is the case, critics say, the "Warriors" nick-

appears a few have floated to the top.

Much of the most recent discussion among fans and prognosticators has re-

among those who support "Red Wolves." Smoot, who frequently contributes to radio shows in the D.C. area,

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name has historic ties to Native American tropes that could keep that connection alive.

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