

	<p style="text-align: center;">WINTHROP UNIVERSITY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Notice of Intent to Sole Source</p>	<p>Procurement Officer: Phone: E-Mail Address:</p>	<p>Melissa Mims (803) 323-2143 mimsm@winthrop.edu</p>
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POSTING DATE: December 14, 2023

In accordance with §11-35-1560 (A) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, it is the intent of Winthrop University (Winthrop) to award without competition a sole source contract in accordance with Regulation 19-445.2105 (B) (5)

From Canon Strategic on the basis of:

Canon Strategic is the only vendor that can provide 1) the University President and Board of Trustees assistance and counsel related to community engagement, external public/private business partnership and intergovernmental relationships 2) University assistance and counsel pertaining to the building and implementation of community engagement strategies due to the vast knowledge of history of the University 3) Lobbying services for the University in accordance with state laws and regulations and shall act as a representative of the University in governmental matter and legislative processes.

ESTIMATED VALUE: \$174,000 through 01/01/2025

QUESTIONS/RESPONSES/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Shall be addressed to the email address of the Procurement Officer indicated above.

PROTESTS If you are aggrieved in connection with the award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date the award notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided.

Any protest or notice of intent to protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.

Unless otherwise suspended or canceled, Winthrop will enter into a contract for these services. Contractor should not perform work on or incur any costs associated with this notice prior to the receipt of a purchase order. Winthrop assumes no liability for any expenses incurred prior to issuance of a purchase order.