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owe her an enormous amount of gratitude, the WNBA owes so much to Lisa Leslie, who was part of starting the league," Sparks co-owner Carla Christofferson said. "Without Lisa Leslie, the WNBA wouldn't be what it is. There's nothing any of us who love the sport can say to thank her for that."

Cooper described the player he nicknamed "Smooth" as a combination of Kareem Abdul-Jabbar,

Wilt Chamberlain and Bill Russell. Leslie is the WNBA's career scoring and rebounding leader and a two-time defensive player of the year.

"There's a lot of basketball players who have had an impact on the league, but the way she's done it (sets her apart)," Cooper said. "She's never been about individual accolades. She's spectacular in every way you could describe her."

After retiring, Leslie

doesn't plan to coach but will keep holding camps for kids.

"I love the opportunity of being a role model," she said. "Ever since I was 7 years old, I would write my name all over the house in hopes of giving out autographs and inspiring people. That's something I really enjoy."

While the Sparks will have Leslie for one more season, they'll open play in June without league MVP and rookie of the year

Candace Parker, who is expecting her first child in May. She averaged 18.5 points and 9.5 rebounds in her debut season.

Coaches

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"He was NOT a Rooney Rule candidate," Rooney insisted this week, noting that before the Steelers interviewed Tomlin, they had spoken to Ron Rivera, who was then Chicago's defensive coordinator. "We already had talked to Rivera, which met the requirement. We chose the man we thought was best for the job."

Still, without the rule, it would have taken longer for Tomlin to get into the pipeline.

Job candidates themselves don't always appreciate the Rooney Rule.

In 2003, five minority candidates declined to interview with the Detroit Lions when it was clear that the job would go to Steve Mariucci. The Lions hired Mariucci without interviewing a minority. Matt Millen, then the team president, was fined \$200,000 by Tagliabue, infuriating Lions president William Clay Ford, who claimed the rule had never been approved by the owners and thus was invalid.

Before he was promoted in Tampa, Morris was interviewed by the Denver Broncos for the job that went to Josh McDaniels, New England's offensive coordinator. He said he would have gone to the interview in any event.

"I'm not at a point to judge whether it's a Rooney Rule interview or not," he said.

Dungy recommends that potential candidates go on the interview, because they have nothing to lose.

"I was probably the fourth or fifth choice when I got my first head coaching job," he said. "You never know what will happen or how an owner will react to you."

Owners shy from criticizing the rule publicly these days, especially with the success of such minority coaches as Dungy, Smith and Tomlin.

"The bottom line is winning," said Mehri, who says he's delighted with the progress the NFL has made. "Tell me one owner who won't concur with that."

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Solicitation Documents may be obtained on February 5, 2009 at the Regional Transportation Commission, 600 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada 89106, 1st floor reception desk or by e-mailing a request to hauhts@rtcsnv.com.
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LEGAL ADVISORY SERVICE
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RFP #9020-0074**

The Housing Authority of the Clark County, NV is requesting proposals from qualified firms/individuals to provide special legal counsel in connection with proposed low income housing tax credit transactions involving existing public housing projects and future real estate developments, etc. Minority and Women-Owned businesses are encouraged to respond.

It is the intent of the HACC to enter into a contract with the successful bidder for provision of these services for a period of two years with a one-year renewal option. The services will be specified and undertaken on a Task Order basis as defined within the Request for Proposal (RFP).

A Pre-Bid conference will be held on **February 12, 2009 at 2:30 PM** in the HACC Board Room, at which time the RFP documents, scope of work (SOW), and other specifications will be discussed. Sealed responses to this solicitation must be received by the HACC until **2:00 PM** local time on **February 26, 2009**.

All RFP documents are available on the HACC website at www.haccnv.org in Portable Document Format (PDF). To pick up a copy of this RFP, please call and make arrangements prior to doing so. All questions regarding this solicitation shall be directed to HACC Contracts Department, Wanda L. Beckett, Contracts Administrator at 702-451-8041, Ext. 1424. Email: wbeckett@haccnv.org.
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**INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)
TREE TRIMMING SERVICE
IFB #9028-0076**

HACC is requesting sealed bids from qualified and experienced firms and/or individuals to provide a Tree Trimming Services to HACC properties. Sealed bids marked "TREE TRIMMING SERVICE – IFB # 9028-0076" will be received at the office of the Interim Executive Director, Housing Authority of the County of Clark (HACC), 5390 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89122, in accordance with the IFB solicitation, at which time all bids properly received will be opened, read aloud, and made a matter of public record.

Pre-Bid Conference meeting will be held on **February 17, 2009 at 10:30 AM** in the HACC Board Room, at which time the IFB documents, scope of work (SOW), and specifications will be distributed.

Sealed responses to this solicitation will be received by HACC until **March 2, 2009** local time on **2:30 PM**. No late bids will be accepted.

Respondents to this solicitation must have documented experience of comparable work similar to the property listed above. Minority- and women-owned businesses are encouraged to respond.

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