

**CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**Finance Committee**

January 19, 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF IONIZING AIR FILTRATION  
EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, The Library Administration has determined that it is in the best interest of Library staff, patrons, and visitors to install ionizing air filtration equipment on the HVAC systems of the Library's 27 branches in order to further prevent the spread of airborne viruses, including COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, On June 2, 2020, the Library entered into an agreement with Wright Engineering, LLC to develop drawings and specifications to install cold plasma bi-polar ionizers on existing HVAC systems at six Library branches, and on ; and

WHEREAS, On June 18, 2020, the Board of Library Trustees authorized the Library to amend its agreement with Wright Engineering, LLC to expand the scope of the engineering services to include 21 additional branches so that specifications for the purchase and installation of cold plasma bi-polar ionizers could be developed for all 27 Library branches; and

WHEREAS, The Property Management Department, with the assistance of Wright Engineering, LLC, received the following quotes from three vendors for the purchase of air ionizer equipment for 24 of the Library's branches:

1. Gardiner Service Company LLC (\$172,050);
2. Ketchum & Walton Co. (\$192,034); and
3. Refrigeration Sales Corporation (\$195,000)

WHEREAS, Equipment for the Jefferson, West Park, and Woodland branches were not included in any of the quotes as these branches will be closing shortly to undergo work for the Facilities Master Plan, and HVAC upgrades will be made at that time; and

WHEREAS, The Library Administration finds the price quoted by Gardiner Service Company LLC to be fair and reasonable and recommends that this Board authorize the Library to enter into an agreement for the purchase of air ionizers with Gardiner Service Company LLC; and

WHEREAS, The cost of the purchase of the air ionizers for the Library branches was not included in the Library's most recent budget, which was approved as of March 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, On September 17, 2020, this Board accepted funding in the amount of \$700,000 from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act for the funding period March 1, 2020 through December 30,

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2020, for receipt into the Coronavirus Relief Fund Account 260042-42100 (Federal Aid), and in December 2020, legislation was passed extending the time period for the expenditure of such funds through December 31, 2021; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Public Library hereby finds the purchase of cold plasma bi-polar ionizers for installation in the Cleveland Public Library's branches to be a necessary expense incurred due to the public health emergency caused by COVID-19 and further asserts that the cost of such were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020; be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Executive Director, CEO, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with Gardiner Service Company LLC for the purchase of cold plasma bi-polar ionizers for 24 of the Library's branches in an amount not-to-exceed \$172,050, which shall be charged to Coronavirus Relief Fund 260 and which agreement shall be subject to the review and approval of the Director of Legal Affairs.