

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee

February 13, 2024

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR THE RELOCATION OF THE
LOUIS STOKES WING BREAKROOM**

WHEREAS, The Library published a notice to bidders in the Plain Dealer on January 3, 2024 and January 17, 2024 seeking bids from contractors to construct a new staff breakroom with a kitchenette, vending area, and catering kitchen in the lower level of the Main Library to replace the staff breakroom currently on the ninth floor of the Louis Stokes Wing, which will be converted to high density book storage; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ohio public construction laws, the Library is required to provide all prospective bidders with an estimate of the total cost of the work for which bids are sought, and the value of the contract awarded to the lowest responsible bidder by the Library may not exceed 120% of such estimated cost; and

WHEREAS, The Library estimates the total cost for the construction of the new Main Library breakroom to be \$1,123,576, and therefore, the maximum value of a contract that the Library may award to a bidder for this project is \$1,348,291.20; and

WHEREAS, The Library received sealed bids for the construction of the new breakroom from prospective bidders at 12:00 noon on Monday, February 12, 2024, and the Library Administration is in the process of reviewing and evaluating the bids in order to determine which bid is the lowest responsible bid as required by Ohio Revised Code Section 3375.41; and

WHEREAS, In order to permit the breakroom project to proceed on schedule, the Library Administration requests that this Board authorize the Library to enter into a contract with the bidder whose bid the Library determines is the lowest responsible bid in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,348,291.20; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees hereby authorizes the Executive Director, CEO or his designee to enter into an agreement with the bidder whose bid the Library determines is the lowest responsible bid, subject to the approval of the Director of Legal Affairs, for the construction of a new staff breakroom in the Main Library for a total cost not-to-exceed \$1,348,291.20, with the expenditure being charged to the Building and Repair Fund 401 using project code 19901; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the contract entered into will be presented for ratification by the Board of Library Trustees at their next regularly scheduled meeting.