

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee

April 16, 2024

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR EASTMAN
READING GARDEN LIGHTING PROJECT**

WHEREAS, The Eastman Reading Garden, with its Maya Lin designed fountain and sculptures and its playful Tom Otterness designed figures and entry gates, is regarded by many as a true gem of Downtown Cleveland; and

WHEREAS, The Library Administration retained the services of Ron Friedman Lighting Design develop an exterior lighting solution for the Eastman Reading Garden with the goals of making the space more accessible and inviting to the public and highlighting its unique architectural features as well as those of the Main Library and Louis Stokes Wing; and

WHEREAS, Ron Friedman Lighting Design prepared detailed specifications for the installation of lighting in the Eastman Reading Garden that include lighting elements designed to accentuate architectural features, attract visitors to the Garden, and increase visitors' safety; and

WHEREAS, Ron Friedman Lighting Design estimates that the new lighting equipment and the labor required for its installation will cost approximately \$692,000; and

WHEREAS, The Library is bound by Ohio Revised Code Section 3375.41, which requires that competitive bidding be used to select a contractor for all construction projects costing over \$75,000; now therefore be it

RESOLVED That the Executive Director, CEO or his designee is authorized to proceed with the soliciting of competitive bids for the purchase and installation or installation alone of lighting equipment specified by Ron Friedman Lighting Design for the Eastman Reading Garden Lighting Project.