

**CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**Finance Committee**

June 14, 2016

**RESOLUTION SELECTING AND RANKING MOST QUALIFIED ARCHITECT FIRMS  
AND AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATION OF AGREEMENT WITH TOP-RANKED FIRM  
FOR SAFE, WARM AND DRY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, On March 22, 2016, the Cleveland Public Library placed an ad in the Cleveland Plain Dealer announcing its request for statements of qualifications for architectural/engineering services for the Safe, Warm and Dry improvement project. Ads also ran in the Cleveland Plain Dealer on March 29, 2016; and

WHEREAS, On April 29, 2016, statements of qualification were submitted to the Library by the following architectural/engineering firms: CBLH Design; Richard Fleishman + Partners; Kevin C Robinette Architects; City Architecture; and Osborn Engineering; and

WHEREAS, An evaluation committee was formed to evaluate the statements of qualifications and to select no fewer than three firms which it considered most qualified. During the week of May 23, 2016, the evaluation committee interviewed all submitting firms, and subsequently met to determine the most qualified amongst the five firms; and

WHEREAS, The evaluation committee recommends that the top three firms be ranked in the following order with the first being the most qualified:

- 1) Osborn Engineering
- 2) City Architecture
- 3) Tied for third highest: Kevin Robinette & CBLH

Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees hereby accepts the recommendation of the evaluation committee, and announces the selection of Osborn Engineering as most qualified, City Architecture as second most qualified, and Kevin Robinette and CBLH as tied for the third most qualified; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board authorizes the Executive Director, CEO or his designees, to enter into negotiations for an agreement with the most qualified architectural firm in accordance with the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Section 153.69 which provides, among other things, that if the Library fails to negotiate an agreement with the highest ranked firm for a price that is fair and reasonable, it shall terminate negotiations with the highest ranked firm and enter into negotiations with the architectural firm ranked the second highest. This process shall be repeated again with the third ranked firm in the event negotiations fail with the second highest firm; be it further

RESOLVED, That upon completion of negotiations, the Executive Director shall submit the agreement to this Board for final approval.