

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board Meeting

March 15, 2016

**RESOLUTION SELECTING AND RANKING MOST QUALIFIED ARCHITECT FIRMS
AND AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATION OF AGREEMENT WITH TOP-RANKED FIRM
FOR SOUTH REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, On December 21, 2015, 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 rehabilitation and improvement of the South branch of the Cleveland Public Library. Ads also ran in the Cleveland Plain Dealer on December 28, 2015 and January 4, 2016; and

WHEREAS, On January 22, 2016, statements of qualification were submitted to the Library by the following architectural firms: Van Dyke Architects, Moody Nolan Architecture, Richard L. Bowen & Associates, Holzheimer, Bolek, and Meehan Architect (HBM), CBLH Design, and Richard Fleishman & Partners; 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. The evaluation committee met and selected the following three architectural firms it determined to be the most qualified: HBM, CBLH, and Richard Fleishman & Partners; and

WHEREAS, During the week of February 15, 2016, the evaluation committee interviewed all three top-ranked firms, and subsequently met to determine the most qualified amongst the top three; 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) Holzheimer, Bolek & Meehan;
- 2) Richard Fleishman & Partners;
- 3) 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 Holzheimer, Bolek & Meehan as most qualified, Richard Fleishman & Partners as second most qualified, and CBLH as 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.