

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee
September 16, 2014

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF NATURAL GAS

WHEREAS, The Cleveland Public Library entered into an agreement in November of 2013 with the State of Ohio Department of Administrative Services (“OhioDAS”), through Schneider Electric/Summit Energy, for the supply of natural gas. This agreement is a month-to-month variable rate contract that fluctuates with the market. The average cost to the Library of gas has been \$5.22 per Mcf per month, and the estimated rate from October 2014 through March 2015 is \$4.557 per Mcf ; and

WHEREAS, Library management has sought quotes for a fixed price natural gas contract from North Shore Energy Consulting, LLC, a Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Certified Electric Retail Service Provider, for comparison. The Library entered into an agreement for electricity through North Shore Energy Consulting in July of this year; and

WHEREAS, The cost of natural gas is currently in the range of pricing for all Library accounts as of September 10, 2014, as follows:

Term in Months	Start	End	BT MCF Volume	Fixed Price Offer	Variable Offer	Unit of Measure
12	Nov-14	Oct-15	21,141	\$4.360	NYMEX+ \$0.29	BT MCF
24	Nov-14	Oct-16	42,282	\$4.490	NYMEX+ \$0.29	BT MCF

WHEREAS, The Board of Library Trustees deems it necessary to procure natural gas; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, The Board of Library Trustees authorizes the Executive Director, CEO, or his designee, to enter into an agreement for natural gas through North Shore Energy Consulting, LLC with the supplier that has the best fixed rates at the expiration of the existing agreement with OhioDAS, subject to the approval of the Chief Legal Officer, which agreement will be presented for ratification by the Board of Library Trustees at their next regularly scheduled meeting.