

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee

October 14, 2014

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF FURNITURE FOR
CLEVELAND DIGITAL PUBLIC LIBRARY WITHOUT
COMPETITIVE BIDDING**

WHEREAS, At the September 18, 2014 meeting of the Cleveland Public Library Board of Trustees, this Board authorized the Executive Director to solicit competitive bids for the furniture package for the Cleveland Digital Public Library Project in the Main Library Building; and

WHEREAS, On September 25, 2014 and October 2, 2014 a Notice to Bidders was published in the Cleveland Plain Dealer requesting bids for the furniture package for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Sealed bids were due by 12:00 Noon (local time) on Thursday, October 9, 2014, but no bids were received; and

WHEREAS, It is the opinion of the Chief Legal Officer that the purchase of furniture is not an improvement and does not have to be competitively bid under Ohio Revised Code Section 3375.41, and that it is not necessary, therefore, to rebid the furniture package; and

WHEREAS, The Director seeks the approval of this Board to negotiate the purchase of furniture for the Cleveland Digital Public Library directly from furniture vendors, in a total amount not-to-exceed \$100,000; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees hereby authorizes the Executive Director CEO, his designees and agents, to negotiate and enter into agreements for the purchase of furniture for the Cleveland Digital Public Library directly from furniture vendors without competitive bidding, in a total amount not-to-exceed \$100,000, with the expenditure being charged to Building & Repair Fund Account 40190105-55510-10419; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Executive Director, CEO, or his designee, shall present the purchase agreements for furniture to this Board for ratification at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees.