

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board Meeting

February 19, 2015

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A VENUE AGREEMENT WITH THE 2016 HOST COMMITTEE INC. FOR THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION

WHEREAS, The 2016 Host Committee for the Republican National Convention has requested that the Cleveland Public Library make available some of its downtown facilities as a venue for various events to be held during the Republican National Convention (“RNC”), which will take place during a four (4) day period in July of 2016; and

WHEREAS, The Agreement requires that the Library reserve and set aside designated facilities for groups of various officials, delegates and guests of the convention, and that no other use of those designated Library facilities may occur during this time period without the approval of the Host Committee and the RNC; and

WHEREAS, The Library welcomes the RNC to Cleveland and recognizes the importance of the Library being a part of the events and activities surrounding the convention; and

WHEREAS, The Library desires to enter into an agreement with the Host Committee to make its facilities available to the Host Committee and the RNC only during times when the Library is not open to the public; and

WHEREAS, This Board has adopted an amendment to the Fines and Fees Schedule which establishes the fees to be charged for the rental of different venues within Library buildings before and after regular Library hours. The Meeting Room Policy has also been revised by this Board to clarify that it applies to the use of designated meeting rooms only during regular hours of Library, and to remove restrictions on the use of the Library for partisan political purposes; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees authorizes the Executive Director CEO or his designee, to enter into an Agreement with the 2016 Host Committee, Inc. as described in this Resolution, for the use of certain spaces in the downtown Library facilities as designated by the Executive Director, during the 2016 Republican National Convention only during the hours when the Library is not regularly open to the public. The rates to be charged for rental of Library facilities shall be in accordance with the amended Fines and Fees Schedule. The Agreement shall be subject to the review and approval of the Chief Legal Officer.