RESOLUTION SELECTING AND RANKING MOST QUALIFIED ENGINEERING FIRMS FOR SURVEYING AND TESTING AND AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH TOP-RANKED FIRM FOR MASTER PLAN PROJECT

WHEREAS, The Cleveland Public Library placed an ad in the Cleveland Plain Dealer on March 6 and 13, 2020 announcing its request for statements of qualifications from engineering firms to provide surveying, environmental assessments, geotechnical engineering, and other ancillary engineering services in connection with the first phase of the Library’s Facilities Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, On April 15, 2020, statements of qualifications were submitted to the Library by the following engineering firms: CT Consultants, Inc., CTL Engineering, Inc., ECS Midwest, LLC, Professional Service Industries, Inc. d/b/a Intertek-PSI, The Mannik Smith Group, Inc, Soil and Material Engineers, Inc. and Terracon Consultants, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, A selection committee was formed to evaluate the statements of qualifications and to select no fewer than three firms that it considered most qualified. The selection committee met and selected the following three engineering firms it determined to be the most qualified: Intertek-PSI, The Mannik Smith Group, and Terracon; and

WHEREAS, On May 5, 2020, the evaluation committee interviewed all three top-ranked firms, and subsequently met to determine the most qualified amongst the top three; and

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

1) Professional Service Industries, Inc. d/b/a Intertek-PSI
2) Terracon Consultants, Inc.
3) The Mannik Smith Group, Inc.

;and
WHEREAS, The surveying, environmental, geotechnical, and other ancillary engineering services will be provided on an as-needed basis over the course of the first phase of the Facilities Master Plan, and in order to allow work to proceed as soon as possible, the Library Administration recommends that this Board authorize the Director to enter into a contract for such services in an amount not-to-exceed $75,000; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees hereby accepts the recommendation of the selection committee, and announces the selection of Professional Service Industries, Inc. d/b/a Intertek-PSI as most qualified, Terracon Consultants, Inc., as second most qualified, and The Mannik Smith Group, Inc. 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, this Board authorizes the Executive Director, CEO or his designee to enter into an agreement with the firm selected as described above in an amount not-to-exceed $75,000 for surveying, environmental, geotechnical, and other ancillary engineering services in connection with the first phase of the Facilities Master Plan, which amount shall be charged to which expenditure shall be charged to Construction Tax Exempt fund account 402xxx05-55300 (Construction/Improvements), where xxx = branch/department, and which agreement shall be subject to the approval of the Chief Legal Officer.