

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee

September 14, 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH VOCON PARTNERS, LLC FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE STERLING BRANCH

WHEREAS, On November 19, 2020, the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Public Library authorized the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with Vocon Partners, LLC in an amount not-to-exceed \$272,842 for the design of the renovation to the Sterling branch; and

WHEREAS, With the Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) in the beginning stages of its neighborhood development plan for the property surrounding the Sterling branch, the Library Administration desires to amend the agreement with Vocon to provide that Vocon will work in collaboration with CMHA to explore potential opportunities for the future of the Sterling branch and will pause its design work on the Sterling branch while CMHA completes its neighborhood development plan; and

WHEREAS, Vocon has proposed a fee not-to-exceed \$10,000 for the additional services described in this Resolution, which amount will bring Vocon's architect fees to a total amount not-to-exceed \$282,842; and

WHEREAS, This Board finds that Vocon's proposed fee increase is fair and reasonable; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Executive Director, CEO or his designee, to negotiate and execute an amendment to the agreement with Vocon Partners, LLC for design services to the Sterling branch upon such terms and conditions as are approved by the Library's Director of Legal Affairs, increasing the architect fee by \$10,000 for a total contract amount not-to-exceed \$282,842, which amount shall be charged to the Construction – Tax-Exempt fund account 40279005-55300 (Construction/Improvements).