## **CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Finance Committee January 17, 2023

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH COSGROVE JONHENRY LLC FOR AGENT AND LOBBYIST SERVICES

- WHEREAS, On December 16, 2021, the Board of Library Trustees authorized the Library to enter into an agreement with Timothy J. Cosgrove of Squire Patton Boggs to provide agent and lobbyist services for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 for a total fee of \$48,000; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Cosgrove notified the Library in February 2022 that he was leaving Squire Patton Boggs to form his own lobbying firm, Cosgrove Jonhenry LLC, with a colleague from Squire Patton Boggs; and
- WHEREAS, The Board of Library Trustees on March 15, 2022 authorized the engagement of Mr. Cosgrove to provide legislative lobbying and executive agency representation on behalf of the Library at the cost of \$4,000 per month through his new firm, Cosgrove Jonhenry LLC for the period of March 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Cosgrove is among Ohio's best connected and influential government relations professionals and combines his experience as director of policy and legislation for former Ohio Governor George V. Voinovich with his training and experience as an attorney practicing in the areas of legislative counseling, public finance, and administrative law to serve the needs of corporate, nonprofit, and trade association clients in Ohio; and
- WHEREAS, The Library desires to continue its engagement of Mr. Cosgrove's services for an additional period commencing January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 at the cost of \$4,000 per month; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Executive Director, CEO, or his designee, is authorized to enter into an agreement with Timothy J. Cosgrove of Cosgrove Jonhenry LLC for the period commencing January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in an amount not-to-exceed \$4,000 per month and \$48,000 per year, which expenditure shall be charged to General Fund account 11200053-53710 (Professional Services), which agreement shall be subject to review and approval of the Director of Legal Affairs.