

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee

March 14, 2023

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LIBRARY BOOK TRUCKS

- WHEREAS, Cleveland Public Library book trucks receive constant wear and tear, and their proper functioning is critical to the efficient operation of the Library and the preservation of library service materials; and
- WHEREAS, Main Library's fleet of book trucks includes models that are more than a century old and have deteriorated to the point that they are no longer safe to use due to splintering wood and wobbly wheels; and
- WHEREAS, The Library has investigated options for new library book trucks and found four options for 3-tier, flat shelf steel book trucks of dimensions close to what the Library needs (approximately 43" H x 37" W x 17" D) as outlined in Exhibit A; and
- WHEREAS, The Library believes that the Demco model will best fit its needs and it is also the lowest price at \$619.99 each; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED That the Board of Library Trustees hereby authorizes the Executive Director, CEO or his designee to enter into an agreement with Demco, Inc. for the purchase of 52 book trucks at a total cost of \$32,239.48, which amount shall be charged to the General Fund Account 19510055-55510 (Furniture), and which agreement shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Legal Affairs.

Exhibit "A"

| Vendor | Model | Dimensions | Price Each |
|--------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Brodart | Bretford Duro Series Welded Steel Book Trucks with Three Flat Shelves | 43" H x 36" W x 18" D | \$881.40 |
| Demco | LibraryQuiet Atlas 3 Flat Shelf Booktruck | 44-½" H x 38" W x 17" D | \$619.99 |
| Gaylord | 3-Tier Flat Shelf Steel Book Truck* | 50" H x 56" W x 22" D | \$1,399.00 |
| The Library Store | BioFit Book Truck - 3 Flat Shelves | 43" H x 28" W x 17" D | \$742.95 |

*This is the only book truck that Gaylord sells that comes close to CPL's specifications.