

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee

September 19, 2023

**RESOLUTION SELECTING AND RANKING MOST QUALIFIED ARCHITECTURAL
AND ENGINEERING FIRMS AND AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATION OF AGREEMENT
WITH TOP-RANKED FIRM FOR THE LOUIS STOKES WING PUBLIC RESTROOM
RENOVATION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, The Cleveland Public Library placed an ad in the Cleveland Plain Dealer on August 2 and 9, 2023 announcing its request for statements of qualifications from professional design firms to provide architectural and engineering services in connection with the renovation of the public restrooms located in the lower level of the Louis Stokes Wing (the “Restroom Project”); and

WHEREAS, On September 7, 2023, statements of qualifications were submitted to the Library by the following four architectural/engineering firms for the Restroom Project: BSHM Architects, Inc., IKM Architecture, R.E. Warner & Associates, Inc., and Weber Murphy Fox, 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 architectural/engineering firms it determined to be the most qualified for the Restroom Project: IKM Architecture, Weber Murphy Fox, Inc., and BSHM Architects, Inc.; 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) IKM Architecture
- 2) Weber Murphy Fox, Inc.
- 3) BSHM Architects, Inc.

; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees hereby accepts the recommendation of the selection committee for the Restroom Project; and be it further

EXHIBIT 4

RESOLVED, That the Board authorizes the Executive Director, CEO or his designees, to enter into negotiations for an agreement with IKM Architecture 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 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; and be it further

RESOLVED, That upon completion of negotiation, the Executive Director shall submit the agreement to this Board for final approval.