

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Finance Committee

September 19, 2023

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY
FOUNDATION FOR ART FOR JUSTICE PROJECT**

WHEREAS, The Cleveland Public Library Foundation was awarded a grant of \$1,250,000 from the Art For Justice Fund as part of their final round of grantmaking; and

WHEREAS, The Art for Justice Fund was founded by Agnes Gund and grew into a collective of national foundations and philanthropists to support changes to the criminal justice system and to address mass incarceration; and

WHEREAS, Lead partners LAND Studio and Shooting Without Bullets will work alongside the Library to commission artists to develop a signature scale artwork at one Library location and five to eight smaller projects at branches throughout the system; and

WHEREAS, With a first installment of \$833,333 of this grant coming to the Library from the Cleveland Public Library Foundation, the Library will develop a concept for public artwork(s) that honor the legacy of Agnes Gund and that help mobilize policy change around mass incarceration; and

WHEREAS, A special revenue fund, 233-Public Artwork, will be established to account for this grant and possible other resources whose uses are committed to the purpose of public art; now therefore be it;

RESOLVED, That Cleveland Public Library Board of Trustees, pursuant to the authority set forth in R.C. §3375.40(K), hereby accepts this grant from the Cleveland Public Library Foundation in an amount of \$833,333 for deposit into the Public Artwork Fund Account 233046-46100 to be used for public artwork as described in this Resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Executive Director, CEO or his designee is authorized to enter into and execute such agreements and instruments as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution including those for amounts in excess of \$75,000, which agreements and instruments shall be subject to the approval of the Library's Director of Legal Affairs.