

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Board Meeting

June 15, 2018

**RESOLUTION SELECTING AND RANKING MOST QUALIFIED ARCHITECT /
ENGINEERING FIRMS AND AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATION OF AGREEMENT WITH
TOP-RANKED FIRM FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BRANCH**

WHEREAS, On February 15, 2018, this Board approved the selection of the three most qualified architect firms in the design competition for the new Martin Luther King, Jr. Branch. The three firms approved by this Board are, in no particular order, the following: Bialosky + Partners Architects and Vines Architecture; MASS Design Group & Partners and LDA Architects; and SO-IL + JKURTZ ; and

WHEREAS, On March 13 and 14, 2018, the three design teams participated in a two-day site visit consisting of meetings with the Library, developer, and community stakeholders as well as a tour of the site of the future MLK branch; and

WHEREAS, Following the site visit, the design firms were given until May 7, 2018 to prepare conceptual designs based on the Library's building program and on the information gathered during the site visit ; and

WHEREAS, On May 9, 2018, each of the three firms presented their conceptual designs to members of this Board, the selection committee, and the advisory committee; and

WHEREAS, The selection committee, along with members of the advisory committee, met on May 14, 2018 to determine the most qualified of the top three design firms; and

WHEREAS, The selection committee, after factoring in the scores for affordability prepared by the outside estimator engaged by the Library to review the budgets submitted by each design firm, recommends that the top three firms be ranked in the following order with the first being the most qualified:

- 1) **SO-IL + JKURTZ**
- 2) **Bialosky + Partners Architects and Vines Architecture**
- 3) **MASS Design Group & Partners and LDA Architects**

Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Library Trustees hereby accepts the recommendation of the selection committee, and announces the selection of **SO-IL + JKURTZ** as most qualified, **Bialosky + Partners Architects and Vines Architecture** as second most qualified, and **MASS Design Group & Partners and LDA Architects** as third most qualified; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board authorizes the Executive Director, CEO or his designees, to enter into negotiations for an agreement with the most qualified architectural firm 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 architectural 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; be it further

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