LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 29, 2021; 8:00 AM
BENNETT MARTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

PRESENT: Lowell Berg, Donna Marvin, Jackie Ostrowicki, Rhonda Seacrest, Joe Shaw, Dan Sloan. Absent: Lisa Hale, County Liaison Nichole Bogen.

OTHERS PRESENT: Pat Leach, Library Director; Traci Glass, Assistant Library Director; Barbara Hansen, Administrative Aide; Paul Jones, Business Office; Bob Walla, City Purchasing Agent; Jocelyn Golden, Assistant City Attorney; Mark Bacon, BVH Architects; Cleve Reeves of BVH attended via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER: Dan Sloan called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. The posting of the Open Meetings Act was announced.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Agenda was posted according to the Open Meetings Act of the State of Nebraska. Berg moved to approve the agenda as posted. Second by Seacrest. Roll Call Vote: Berg, Marvin, Seacrest, Shaw, Sloan – aye; Ostrowicki, Hale – absent. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH BVH ARCHITECTURE FOR ARCHITECT SERVICES FOR NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY: Berg moved to approved the contract with BVH Architecture for Architect Services for the New Central Library. Second by Seacrest. (Ostrowicki arrived.)

Leach noted the total cost, including fees and expenses, for architectural services for the Central Library project is $3,233,750.00. This contract authorizes work for Phase One design services, for a total amount of fees and expenses not to exceed $503,550.00. The fee is 8.35% of the estimated construction cost based on the building program. Funding for Phase One is from past unused operating funds and current fiscal year operating funds.

Mark Bacon, BVH, outlined Phase One noting it will take the project through the necessary drawings and steps in order to create an opinion on probable cost, visuals that the Board can use to show the public what the building would look like, confirm the building program and create documents for a cost estimate.

The notice to proceed is projected to be July 6, 2021.

Roll Call Vote: Marvin, Ostrowicki, Seacrest, Shaw, Sloan, Berg – aye; Hale – absent. Motion carried 6-0.

No other action is required for this contract. It does not require City Council approval.

Mark Bacon noted this is a priority project for the community and BVH is excited to be part of it.

Cleve Reeves added he understands the Board and staff have been working on this project for some time, and is excited to get this cultural institution moving forward and thanked the board for the opportunity.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:19 a.m.