CRANBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY RESOLUTION 2017 -1 REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW LIBRARY

WHEREAS, the Cranbury Public Library ("the Library") advertised for the submission of bids for construction of a new library, and on July 26, 2017, bids were submitted by the following:

- 1. Thomas & Sons Builders LLC, in the amount of \$3,089,197.00;
- 2. J & M Quality Contracting LLC, in the amount of \$3,160,508.00; and
- 3. Hall Building Corp., in the amount of \$3,185,000.00; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Statutes Annotated 40A: 11-13.2 provides that a contracting unit may reject all bids for any of the following reasons:

- "a. the lowest bid substantially exceeds the cost estimates for the goods or services;
- b. the lowest bid substantially exceeds the contracting unit's appropriation for the goods or services;"; and

WHEREAS, the Library obtained a cost estimate for construction in the amount of \$2,610,000.00, and the Library has a total of \$2,481,479.00 in funds and pledges; and

WHEREAS, the Cranbury Township Committee adopted a Resolution conditionally providing additional funding to the Library, which conditions cannot be satisfied based on the bids which have been submitted, which bids substantially exceed the cost estimate and the Library's available funds and pledges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Cranbury Public Library, that it hereby rejects all bids submitted as stated above; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be sent to each of the foregoing bidders.

Board Member	Vote
Kirstie Venanzi	yes
David Fletcher	
Ira Negin	
Andre Mento	Yes
Lorraine Sedor	ves
Robin Black	ies
Nancy Whitcraft	ves
Dan Mulligan	
Michele Gittings	yes

Evelyn Spann

yes

Virgin Venenzi Poord President

Michelle Gittings. Board Secretary