Present:

**Board Members:** E. Bromley, Chair; G. Caggainello; W. Callion; T. Cassone; S. Frederick; A. Livingston; M. Lyons; D. Williams; S. Wise

**Staff:** A. Knapp; N. Bochicchio

Ms. Knapp discussed the work done to date by DSSD, Business Council, City’s Office of Economic Development, Stamford Partnership, Building Land Technology and the Library to have Stamford designated as an Innovation District by CTNext, a state funded agency.

A initial grant of $2 million has been approved for Stamford and the organizations above will serve as the steering committee for the grant. The library has been asked to serve as the “grant recipient” for the purpose of receiving the funds and making distributions to approved projects. The library’s cost for serving as the grant recipient will be reimbursed by grant funds.

Several projects have already been approved by the grant steering committee, including one to the library for $75,000.

Following discussion, the following motion was made, seconded and approved:

Resolved:

That, subject to final approval by The Ferguson Library Executive Committee of all related contracts, The Ferguson Library enter into an Innovation Places Grant Agreement with CTNext, LLC for the purpose of the Library serving as the recipient of a grant up to $2,000,000 through June 30, 2018. As the grant recipient, the Library will be required to perform certain duties as defined in the Agreement;

And that this Agreement may be extended annually upon joint acknowledgment by both the Library and CTNext, LLC.

And that Alice S. Knapp, President of the Library, be authorized to sign such Agreement and related documents.

Dudley N. Williams, Jr.
Secretary