

**EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE CITY OF MADISON
AND
GREGORY P. MICKELLS**

This Agreement made this 11th day of *July, 2017*, by and between the City of Madison, a municipal corporation of Dane County, Wisconsin (hereafter, the "City") and Gregory P. Mickells, a natural person (hereafter, the "Director"),

WITNESSETH;

WHEREAS, the City desires to hire the Director as an employee of the City of Madison to perform the services described herein on its sole behalf as the Library Director, and

WHEREAS, the Director represents that he possesses the necessary knowledge, skill, and experience to perform such services and is willing to perform such services as the Library Director, and

WHEREAS, the Director has been duly selected by the Library Board and has been confirmed for appointment to the position of Library Director by the Common Council of the City of Madison on July 11, 2017, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City has authorized the execution of the Agreement by Resolution Number _____.

THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, terms, and agreements contained in this document, the receipt and sufficiency of which is mutually acknowledged, the parties do agree as follows:

I. LIBRARY DIRECTOR HIRED

The Director is hereby hired as a non-civil service employee of the City, holding the position of Library Director pursuant to the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement. The Director shall have and exercise full authority and discretion as a Department head within the City's organizational structure and act as Appointing Authority for employees of the Madison Public Library in accordance with all appropriate City Ordinances and Mayor's Administrative Procedure Memoranda.

II. FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTOR

A. General Responsibilities:

The Library Director works with the Library Board, City of Madison, Madison Public Library Foundation, staff located at multiple sites, and

community groups to effectively plan for and implement library services for the City of Madison. This is high level professional and managerial work overseeing and directing the services, activities and library staff involving responsibility for planning, developing, organizing, implementing and evaluating a wide range of community library services. Reporting directly to the Library Board, the employee exercises considerable judgment and discretion in meeting service objectives.

B. Examples of Duties and Responsibilities:

Oversee the creation and implementation of library services that meet changing needs of customers in Madison. Plan for and implement strategic initiatives for library services, based on continuous analyses of community needs and interests.

Oversee the effective use of public funds in the development and administration of the Library's budget. Work closely with the Madison Public Library Foundation on developing fundraising campaigns, donor development and donor relations for capital campaigns. Oversee and develop additional alternative resources for services and facilities, including grants and corporate support. Ensure that Foundation fund development activities are congruent with Library Board planning and policy. Work closely with the Foundation in soliciting community and corporate financial support. Serve as a visible spokesperson for the library in order to increase support and funding for libraries.

Provide for effective community relations to assess and meet community needs. Develop and communicate a shared vision of library services. Develop and maintain effective working relationships with colleagues, staff, City officials, the media and the public. Work with Friends of libraries groups, public non-profit and corporate partners and community groups to ensure the effective use of resources. Work with the South Central Library System and member libraries to maintain a positive and effective System relationship.

Manage staff in order to provide the highest quality library services to the community. Create a positive supportive working environment encouraging diversity in the workforce and a respect for diverse points of view. Oversee effective procedures for recruitment, hiring, training and evaluation of personnel. Implement procedures to support employee growth and leadership. Support an organizational culture that embraces change and is committed to perpetual learning. Provide for ongoing organizational development.

Oversee management and development of library facilities reflecting changing community needs. Oversee the planning, design and

construction of new and renovated library facilities, and work toward identifying and acquiring sites for future library facilities based on a Library Board approved facilities development plan.

Demonstrate a commitment to the City's racial equity and social justice initiatives (RESJI). Participate in and help lead city-wide and agency efforts toward implementing RESJI principles. Provide supervision of staff in a manner consistent with recommendations and best practices outlined by the City's employee engagement and equity initiative.

Perform related work as assigned.

- C. The Director agrees to perform such functions and duties at a professional level of competence and efficiency. The Director shall abide by all requirements of the laws of the State of Wisconsin, and of the ordinances, resolutions, regulations, rules and practices of the City which exist at the time of execution of this Agreement or which may, hereafter, be enacted or amended by the State of Wisconsin or the City in the exercise of their lawful authority. In the event a provision of this Agreement conflicts with any City ordinance, resolution, regulation, rule or policy, the provision of the Agreement shall control, except as provided in Madison General Ordinance 3.35.
- D. The Director shall devote full time to the duties and responsibilities provided herein and shall engage in no pursuit which interferes with them. The Library Board, however, may approve the Director's reasonable time away from the regular duties and responsibilities provided such time is approved in advance and taken as vacation leave or absence without pay.
- E. The standard City work week is 38.75 hours. However, the Director shall have reasonable flexibility from this standard to accommodate additional time expended outside regular working hours required by attendance at meetings and the like. Such flexibility is not intended to provide or be used as additional vacation or other paid leave.
- F. The Director shall have no right to make contracts or commitments for or on behalf of the City except as pre-authorized by ordinance, express written consent of the City or statute, such as the authority granted by sec. 43.58, Wisconsin Statutes.
- G. The Director shall reside within the City of Madison for the duration of this contract. As a condition of accepting this contract, the Director agrees to waive any right to challenge this residency requirement, by court action or otherwise.

- H. The Director shall obtain a permanent Wisconsin Librarian's Certificate, Grade 1 (Wisconsin Stat. 43.09(1)); prior to completion of the probationary period. The Director shall maintain said certification for the duration of this contract.

III. COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

- A. The Director's initial salary shall be based on an annualized rate of \$140,044 which shall be paid in approximately equal biweekly payments according to regular City payroll practices. Annual salary adjustments may be made at the Mayor's discretion, subject to approval of the Common Council, as provided in the City's established managerial pay plan. The Director shall not be entitled to receive any additional overtime compensation, compensatory time off, or bonuses.
- B. The Director shall, in addition to the compensation provided in Paragraph A above, and except as otherwise set forth in the Agreement, be entitled to the following benefits:
 - 1. The Director shall receive the same benefits as other professional, non-represented employees in Compensation Group 18 as may be provided by the Madison General Ordinances, Resolution of the Common Council, Administrative Procedure Memoranda or other official City action subject to paragraph II G. hereof.
 - 2. The Director shall be entitled to twenty-seven (27) days of vacation per year for the term of this agreement. Up to ten (10) days credited but unused vacation may be carried forward to the succeeding year. Unused vacation in excess of ten (10) days may be carried forward to the succeeding year with the approval of the Mayor. Except as otherwise provided, the Director shall be paid in full for credited but unused vacation existing at the expiration of this Agreement or upon the Director's retirement, when qualified for receipt of Wisconsin Retirement Fund benefits. In the event the Director leaves employment with the City, but does not retire, the Director shall also be entitled to payment for one-half (50%) of any unused sick leave to which the Director would otherwise be entitled.
 - 3. The Library Board will support the Director's membership in the American Library Association and the Wisconsin Library Association, up to \$500 for the term of this agreement.
 - 4. The Director shall be eligible for participation in relevant professional organizations and be reimbursed for dues of up to \$500 per year of this Agreement.

5. The Director shall be eligible to participate at City expense in professional seminars, conferences, workshops, and related meetings consistent with the role as Director and according to applicable Administrative Procedure Memoranda.
6. The Director shall be eligible to receive the IRS approved mileage reimbursement rate when required to utilize a personal vehicle for City business.

IV. TERM: RENEWAL OPPORTUNITY; NON-RENEWAL

- A. This Agreement shall take effect on September 3, 2017, and shall expire September 3, 2022, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.
- B. The Library Board, in its sole discretion, may offer renewal of this Agreement to the Director. The Board shall notify the Director of the intent to renew the Agreement at least ninety (90) calendar days before the expiration of this Agreement. Failure to so notify the Director shall extend the term of this Agreement by the time of the delay in actual notification (but in no event for more than ninety (90) days) without change in the Director's anniversary date, and shall not act as a full renewal of the Agreement. Renewal of the Agreement and of its provisions shall be subject to the approval of the Common Council. In the event the Common Council does not renew this Agreement, this Agreement will remain in effect for ninety (90) days following the non-renewal action by the Common Council or five (5) years from the date of this Agreement, whichever is later.
- C. The Library Board, in its sole discretion, may elect not to offer renewal of this Agreement to the Director. In such event, the Board shall notify the Director of the intent not to renew the contract at least ninety (90) calendar days before the expiration of this Agreement. Failure to so notify shall extend the term of this Agreement by the time of the delay in actual notification (but in no event for more than ninety (90) days) and shall not act as a renewal of the Agreement. At the expiration of the Agreement, the parties' rights, duties, responsibilities and obligations shall end. However, after the first renewal of this Agreement, the Director will, at the sole discretion of the Board, be eligible to take a voluntary demotion into any vacant or newly created position for which the Director is qualified.
- D. In the event of non-renewal of this Agreement, under either Paragraphs B or C above, the Library Board may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Agreement at any earlier date within ninety (90) days of the expiration of this Agreement, as determined by the Library Board. The early termination is to be accomplished by (a) notifying the Director of the date

of early termination, and (b) committing to buy out the balance of this Agreement by paying the Director the balance due under this Agreement in a lump sum, including salary and leave benefits (vacation, floating holiday, paid leave, sick leave) earned or to be earned through the original term of this Agreement, together with payment of the City's share of any health insurance premiums or the provision for such payment through the original term of this Agreement. The buy-out may be for the full period left on this Agreement, or any portion of the final ninety (90) days thereof. If this Agreement is terminated early through the provisions of this buy-out clause, the Director's employment with the City ends as of the date of early termination.

V. PERSONNEL ACTIONS

The Director is subject to the Mayor's supervision and is, during the term of this Agreement, subject to the Mayor's authority to impose discipline on or to discharge the Director as is provided in Section 9 of the City Personnel Rules. The Director shall be entitled to the procedural appeal and provisions contained in section or as may be provided other non-represented employees at the time of imposition of suspension or discharge.

VI. CITY OBLIGATIONS AND RIGHTS

Consistent with sec 43.58, Wis. Stats., the City and the Library Board shall provide staff, equipment, supplies and space which they deem reasonable, for the conduct of the work of the Director and to determine the organizational structure and overall functioning of the Madison Public Library.

VII. REOPENING THE AGREEMENT

Either party may request that the Agreement be reopened for re-negotiation if or when the Director's duties or responsibilities change significantly. A "significant" change in the Director's duties is defined as that degree of change in duties and responsibilities which would qualify a civil service position for reclassification pursuant to standard City personnel practices.

Factors which may be considered include the addition or deletion of duties, changes in Departmental/Divisional services or the addition or deletion of programs. If there is no agreement, the original Agreement shall control and shall not be reopened. Agreement changes, if any, and any resulting reclassification of the position shall not be deemed the creation of a new position so as to require competition.

VIII. LIABILITY PROTECTION

The City shall defend and indemnify the Director against and for any and all demands, claims, suits, actions and legal proceedings brought against the Director in his official capacity or personally for acts performed within the scope of his employment to the extent and only to the extent authorized by the Wisconsin Statutes in effect at the time of the act complained of and as may be provided by any City insurance coverage for employees at such time.

IX. DISCLOSURE OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS

Pursuant to Madison General Ordinance 3.35, the Director shall file a Statement of Economic Interests with the City Clerk within 14 days of his or his appointment. Each person required to file a Statement of Economic Interests shall annually file with the Clerk an updated Statement no later than April 30 of each year.

X. APPEARANCE BEFORE ANY CITY ENTITY FOLLOWING SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT

The Director shall be subject to the provisions of Madison General Ordinance Sec. 3.35.

XI. DOCUMENTS AND MATERIALS PROPERTY OF THE CITY

All of the documents, materials, files, reports, data and the like which the Director prepares or receives while this Agreement is in effect are the sole property of the City of Madison. The Director will not publish any such materials or use them for any research or publication without attribution to the City other than as work performed pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. The Director shall complete and file an oath of office pursuant to Sec. 62.09(4), Wis. Stats.

XII. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

A. The Director may unilaterally terminate this Agreement during its term. If the Director unilaterally terminates this Agreement on less than forty-five (45) calendar days notice in writing to the Mayor, the Director shall forfeit all rights to recover the cash equivalent of accumulated sick leave, unused vacation leave, and all other future benefits. These forfeiture provisions shall not apply if the Director retires from this position (upon qualifying for receipt of benefits pursuant to the Wisconsin Retirement Fund requirements).

B. The Director's discharge during the term of this Agreement shall be deemed a breach of material provision of the Agreement. In the event of a discharge or other breach of a material provision of the Agreement by the Director, the Director shall forfeit all compensation and benefits from the date of notification of the breach by the City. This action shall not

impact the receipt of benefits earned during the total period of employment. In the event of a breach of a material provision of this Agreement by the City, the Director shall notify the Mayor in writing within thirty (30) working days, which shall be followed by a meeting of the parties to resolve the alleged breach. In the event the issue is not resolved, the Director may pursue contract remedies.

- C. In the event that the position of Library Director is abolished, or the Library is reorganized, to the extent that the position of Library Director is no longer required, this Agreement shall terminate and all rights, duties and obligations of the parties shall mutually end without recourse ninety (90) calendar days after final approval of such abolishment of position or reorganization by the Common Council, except as provided in Madison General Ordinance 3.35.

XIII. NO ASSIGNMENT OR SUBCONTRACT

The Director shall not assign or subcontract any interest of obligation under this Agreement.

XIV. AMENDMENT

This Agreement shall be amended only by written Addendum to Agreement of the parties approved and authorized for execution in the same fashion as this original Agreement.

XV. NO WAIVER

No failure to exercise and no delay in exercising any right, power or remedy on either party's part shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof, or the exercise of any other right, power, or remedy.

XVI. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

No agreements, oral or written, express or implied, have been made by either party hereto, except as expressly provided herein. All prior agreements and negotiations are superseded hereby. This Agreement and any duly executed addenda or amendments thereto constitute the entire Agreement between the parties hereto.

XVII. SEVERABILITY

In the event any provisions of this Agreement are determined by any court of law to be unconstitutional, illegal, or unenforceable, it is the intention of the parties that all other provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

XVIII. GOVERNING INTENT AND LAW

This Agreement shall be interpreted in the first instance in accordance with the spirit and intent of the Substitute Report of the Human Resources Committee Report approved by the Common Council on August 2, 1988 and shall be controlled, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement to be effective as of the day and year contained herein.

CITY OF MADISON
A Municipal Corporation

Witness

Paul R. Soglin, Mayor

Witness

Maribeth L. Witzel-Behl, City Clerk

Witness

Gregory P. Mickells, Library Director

APPROVED:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

David P. Schmiedicke, Finance Director

Michael P. May, City Attorney