

RESOLUTION NO. 16 -2002

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SYLVANIA  
DECLARING ITS INTENT TO ENTER INTO AN OPERATING  
AGREEMENT WITH THE METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT TO  
RELOCATE, RENOVATE AND OPERATE PROGRAMS AT THE  
LATHROP HOUSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the house located at 5362 S. Main St. (the "Lathrop House") was constructed at its present location in approximately 1838 and oral history suggests that it may have been involved in the Underground Railroad as a "station"; and,

WHEREAS, the Lathrop House is situated in a fork of a ravine leading to a creekbed below suggesting the safe passage route to lead easterly along the creekbed on a path to provide safe passage to move north toward Canada; and,

WHEREAS, City Council has previously passed Resolution No. 28-2001 on November 5, 2001, supporting the preservation of the Lathrop House; and,

WHEREAS, City Council has passed Ordinance No. 23-2002, on March 4, 2002, authorizing the expenditure of up to \$50,000 to assist in the total cost of moving or relocating the Lathrop House as a historic landmark, under certain conditions; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 8-2002, passed March 18, 2002, supported the preservation of the Lathrop House on its present site at 5362 S. Main St., Sylvania, Ohio; and,

WHEREAS, at the May 6, 2002 Sylvania City Council meeting, Mayor Stough announced the formation of the Blue Ribbon Lathrop House Preservation Committee to study preservation uses and funding for the Lathrop House and presented the names of the appointed members of the Committee; and,

WHEREAS, several meetings have taken place to discuss the future and use of the Lathrop House and the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area, as part of its mission to preserve historical sites to enhance the quality of life in the community and inspire preservation efforts in this and future generations, has offered to work in conjunction with the City of Sylvania to renovate, relocate and operate programs at the Lathrop House; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Sylvania seeks to enter into an Operating Agreement with the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area to relocate, renovate and to conduct public programs related to the historic residence; and,

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area adopted a resolution on July 17, 2002 declaring its intent to enter into an agreement with the City of Sylvania to relocate, renovate and operate programs at the Historic Lathrop House.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Sylvania, Lucas County, Ohio, 7 members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Lathrop House should be preserved for generations to come.

SECTION 2. The City of Sylvania intends to enter into an Operating Agreement with the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area to relocate, renovate and operate programs at the historic Lathrop House.

SECTION 3. That the Clerk of this Council shall file with St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Bishop James R. Hoffman, Sylvania Historical Village, Inc., Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area and Friends of the Lathrop House a certified copy of this Resolution.

SECTION 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 5. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to post a copy of this Resolution in the Office of the Clerk of Council in the Municipal Building pursuant to ARTICLE III, Section 12, of the Charter of this City.

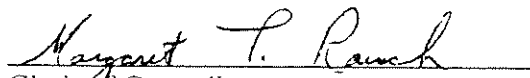
SECTION 6. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, property and welfare and for the further reason that further Lathrop House preservation measures should be taken immediately. Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days after it is approved by the Mayor or as otherwise provided by the Charter.

Vote dispensing with the second and third readings: Yeas 7 Nays 0


Passed, August 5, 2002 as an emergency measure.

  
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President of Council

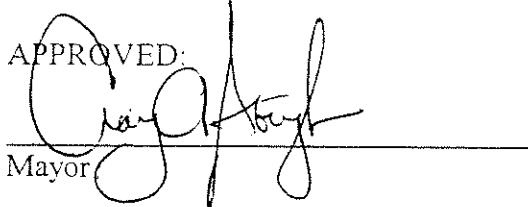
ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Director of Law

APPROVED:

  
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Mayor

August 5, 2002  
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Date

**PROOF OF PUBLICATION BY POSTING**

I hereby certify that the within, foregoing, above or attached, as the case may be, was published by posting a copy thereof in the office of the Clerk of Council of the City of Sylvania, Ohio, in the Sylvania Municipal Building for a period of not less than 15 days, to wit:

FROM 8/27/02 TO 9/12/02  
Margaret T. Rauch 9/12/02  
CLERK OF COUNCIL DATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing

is a true and exact copy of

Ordinance/Resolution No. 16-2002

duly passed by the Council of the  
City of Sylvania, Ohio, at its

meeting on 08/05/02

Clerk of Council Margaret T. Rauch