

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-08 AC CMS**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R07-04 CMS THAT ESTABLISHED THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD CENTER DESIGN TEAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the City of Oberlin established an Oberlin Underground Railroad Center Design Team by way of Resolution 07-04 CMS, toward the purpose of restoring the historic Gasholder Building; and

WHEREAS, the Gasholder Building and site was determined to be transformed into an Underground Railroad Center and multi-modal transportation area along the bike path with the Oberlin Underground Railroad Center Design Team serving as the ad-hoc advisory body to the City Manager in regard to the formulation of a design for the center; and

WHEREAS, the focus has shifted to implementation of the Oberlin Underground Railroad Center project, and the Oberlin Underground Railroad Center Design Team has deemed it necessary to reconstitute itself as an Implementation Team; and

WHEREAS, once reestablished, the Oberlin Underground Railroad Center Implementation Team will focus on the remainder of the project design, fundraising for the Oberlin Underground Railroad Center, as well as the research and development of options for the future operation of this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Oberlin, County of Lorain, State of Ohio, five-sevenths (5/7ths) of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That Section 1 of Resolution 07-04 CMS is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 1. That the Oberlin Underground Railroad Implementation Team:

- a) Will serve as the primary advisory body to the City Council during the design, fundraising, construction, and implementation phases of the Underground Railroad Center;
- b) In conjunction with City staff, the Oberlin Underground Railroad Implementation Team will be the conduit for communication between the architectural firm of Moody-Nolan, Oberlin City Council, the future financial supporters of the Underground Railroad Center, other stakeholders, and the citizenry of Oberlin;
- c) Will have completed its appointed tasks when construction contracts are awarded, fundraising is complete, and recommendations regarding future Underground Railroad Center operations have been finalized for the Underground Railroad Center project.
- d) Membership:
  - i. As the success of the Oberlin Underground Railroad Implementation Team will largely be dependent on having representation from various stakeholder constituencies, the size of the Oberlin Underground Railroad Implementation

- Team shall be no fewer than five and no more than nine members, not including an ex-officio City Council Liaison.
- ii. Current members of the Oberlin Underground Railroad Design Team shall continue as members of the Oberlin Underground Railroad Implementation Team.
  - iii. As soon as is practicable, the City Council shall appoint additional members to the Oberlin Underground Railroad Implementation Team.
  - iv. Regardless of the current size, a quorum of the Oberlin Underground Railroad Implementation Team shall be 50% plus one of the current appointed membership.”

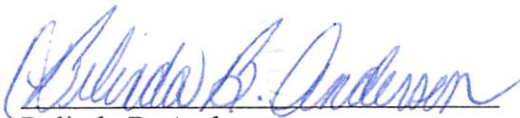
SECTION 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning or relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the citizens of the City of Oberlin, or to provide for the usual daily operation of a municipal department, to wit:

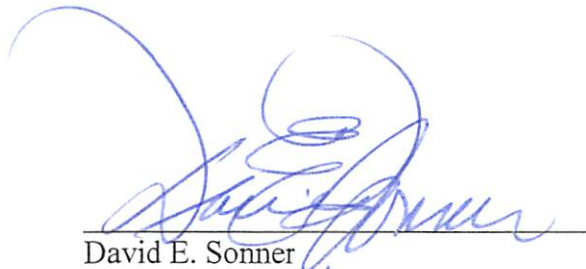
*“to authorize the reconstitution of the Oberlin Underground Railroad Implementation Team as soon as possible in order to ensure that it can continue its work and apply for grants and other funding requests in a timely manner,” and shall take effect immediately upon passage.*

PASSED: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – October 19, 2009(E)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading –  
3<sup>rd</sup> Reading –

ATTEST:



Belinda B. Anderson  
CLERK OF COUNCIL



David E. Sommer  
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

POSTED: 10/20/2009

EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/19/2009