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2 **Resolution Relating to**

**RESOLUTION**

Sponsor(s): Councilors Adrian,  
Decelles, Shannon: Charter Change Com.

Introduced: 05/23/11

Referred to: \_\_\_\_\_

Action: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

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7 MARCH 6, 2012 ANNUAL CITY MEETING--  
8 PROPOSED CHARTER CHANGE RE:  
9 RECALL AND NEW ELECTION OF MAYOR  
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12 **CITY OF BURLINGTON**

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14 In the year Two Thousand Eleven.....

15 Resolved by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

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17 That the following question be placed on the ballot of the Annual City Meeting to be held on  
18 March 6, 2012:

19 "Shall the Charter of the City of Burlington, Acts of 1949, No. 298 as amended be further  
20 amended to amend Article 43, by adding a new Section 130a thereto, to read as follows:

21 Sec. 130a. Recall and new election of mayor.

22 a. Notwithstanding the term of the mayor elected under section 3 of this charter a new  
23 election for mayor may be held under the following circumstances:

24 1. A petition signed by not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the registered voters  
25 filed with the chief administrative officer requesting a new election for mayor, stating  
26 a reason for recall. Each page of a petition filed under this section shall bear the full  
27 text of the petition, each signature to such petition shall be witnessed, each signer of  
28 such petition shall set after his or her signature his or her legal address within the  
29 city, each signature shall be dated and any part of such petition not conforming to  
30 these requirements shall be invalid.

31 2. The date of signing by each voter shall not be earlier than the commencement of the  
32 second year of the term of the mayor. The petition may not be filed later than  
33 November 15<sup>th</sup> of the second year of the term of the mayor.

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- 39 b. A new election for mayor shall be held within 90 days of the date of certification by the  
40 chief administrative officer that the criteria listed above have been met, provided such  
41 petition is filed before the first day in October in any year, unless a citywide election has  
42 been prescheduled to occur between the 90th and the 120th day of the date of such filing,  
43 in which case the same shall be held on such prescheduled election date; otherwise it  
44 shall be held at the next annual city election.
- 45 c. The person so elected shall serve for the remainder of the official term.

46 AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with 17 V.S.A. Sec. 2645,  
47 public hearings on the above-proposed amendment of the Burlington City Charter shall be held  
48 on Friday, January \_\_\_\_, 2012 at 12:00 noon and on Monday, January \_\_\_\_, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in  
49 Contois Auditorium, City Hall, Burlington, Vermont.

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- 52 \* Material stricken out deleted.
- 53 \*\* Material underlined added.
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