



City Council With Mayor Presiding

Monday, December 15, 2025, 7:00 PM, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor

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1. Agenda

Subject	1.1. Motion to adopt agenda
Meeting	December 15, 2025 - City Council With Mayor Presiding Meeting - Monday, December 15, 2025, 7:00 PM, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor
Category	1. Agenda
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	Motion to adopt agenda

2. Consent Agenda

Subject	2.1. Motion to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated
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Category	2. Consent Agenda
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action (Consent) Procedural

Recommended Action Motion to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated

Subject 2.2. Openings: Boards and Commissions - DFA

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Category 2. Consent Agenda

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action (Consent)
Communication
Information

Recommended Action waive the reading, accept the communication and place it on file

3. Commission Appointment

Subject 3.1. Board of Health: Term Expires 6/30/28

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Category 3. Commission Appointment

Department Department of Finance and Administration

Type Action

Recommended Action

4. Adjournment

Subject 4.1. Motion to adjourn

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Category 4. Adjournment

Department Council and Board

Type Action
Procedural

Recommended Action Motion to adjourn

Burlington City Council



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OPENINGS BURLINGTON CITY COMMISSIONS/BOARDS

Chittenden Solid Waste District-alternate	Term Expires 5/31/26	One Opening
Board of Health	Term Expires 6/30/28	One Opening
Vehicle for Hire Licensing Board	Term Expires 6/30/28	One Opening

Applications may be submitted to the Clerk/Treasurer's Office, 149 Church Street, Burlington, VT 05401 Attn: Lori NO later than Wednesday, December 10, 2025, by 4:30 pm. If you have any Questions, please contact Lori at (802) 865-7136 or via email lolberg@burlingtonvt.gov.

City Council President Traverse and Mayor Mulvaney-Stanak will plan for appointments to take place at the December 15, 2025 City Council Meeting/City Council With Mayor Presiding Meeting.



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APPLICATION FOR: Board of Health Board/Commission
(Please fill out a separate application for each post)

Vacancies on the Board for Registration of Voters still require your political affiliation

Full Name: Rachel Bolton

Ward: 6

Residence: ~~103 Robinson Parkway~~

****Political Affiliation****

Are you a registered Burlington Voter? Yes

Phone(home): _____ Phone (work): _____ Phone (cell): 774-200-3043

E-Mail Address: rachelnbolton@gmail.com

Training or Experience Related to the Commission or Board Post for Which you are Applying:

I am an established community health professional. In particular, for the past 8 years, I have worked in harm reduction with people who are unhoused and/or use drugs. Most of my work has occurred in an urban setting (Boston). The issues facing Burlington today are big city issues - and I have the skills and experience to address them.

A few highlights of my career:

- Presented at coalition meetings about the impact of state policy decisions on community health and the importance of offering injection alternatives at syringe service programs.
- Developed public health curriculum for law enforcement about the ways that harm reduction reduces their occupational health risks.
- Served on a local task force to explain the ways that overdose prevention centers benefit the community at-large.
- Designed an emergency syringe service mobile program to ensure continued access through the COVID-19 pandemic.

In my work, I communicated with different key players about health issues, including law enforcement, unhoused people who use drugs, elected officials, neighborhood groups, and funders. Oftentimes, these groups have a range of priorities and understandings, especially as it relates to addiction and homelessness. My ability to hear diverse perspectives and address concerns using my own experiences and the evidence base, without minimizing people's viewpoints, will be a strength for the BOH and our community.

Current Occupation: Vermont CARES, Syringe Service Program Manager

Education (list most recent first):

School	Location	Year/Degree
Boston University	Boston, MA	Masters of Public Health, 2024
Pitzer College	Claremont, CA	Bachelors of Arts in Political Studies 2017



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APPLICATION FOR: Board of Health Board/Commission

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****Vacancies on the Board for Registration of Voters still require your political affiliation****

Full Name: Anne F. Breña Ward: 8

Residence: 34 Bradley St. ****Political Affiliation**:**

Are you a registered Burlington Voter? Yes

Phone (home): 802-865-7663 Phone (work): _____ Phone (cell): 802-324-0793

E-Mail Address: anne.brena@gmail.com

Training or Experience Related to the Commission or Board Post for Which you are Applying:

As a primary care physician, I have experience with public health issues as they develop and am also able to appreciate the issues from different patient perspectives

I have experience as an educator in my role teaching medical students in their clinical rotations

Current Occupation: semi-retired physician

Education (list most recent first):

School	Location	Year/Degree
UVM College of Med	Burlington, VT	1998 / MD
Boston Univ Sch. Public Health	Boston, MA	1990-1992 / coursework
Tufts University	Medford, MA	1984 / Bachelor of Science

What do you hope to accomplish as a Commissioner/Board Member?

First, "learn the ropes" of the organization and learn more about the most current issues in the city
Support the community with relevant, accurate information

How did you learn of the opportunity/opening to serve on a Board/Commission?

Front Porch Forum posting

Have you served as a Burlington City Commissioner/Board Member in the past? NO YES
If the answer is yes, please list any and all appointments and dates you served.

CDBG Advisory Board Member for Ward 8 2016
Ward 8 Steering Committee NPA 2014-2018

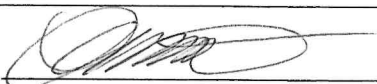
Do you foresee any potential conflicts of interest if you were appointed to the position for which you are applying? NO If so, please explain:

List Two References:

Dr. Patricia King patricia.king@urvmhealth.org
Linda Rizvi 802-318-5126

Please use this area to make any further comments regarding your candidacy, especially in regard to your qualification for this position. You may attach additional sheets if necessary.

I am now semi-retired so I have time to pursue community service

Signature:  Date: 12/1/25

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APPLICATION FOR: Board of Health Board/Commission

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****Vacancies on the Board for Registration of Voters still require your political affiliation****

Full Name: Katie Nicole Chaucer Ward: 5

Residence: 489 Saint Paul St. Burlington, VT **Political Affiliation

Are you a registered Burlington Voter? Yes

Phone (home): Phone (work): Phone (cell): (317)-471-7104

E-Mail Address: KNCHAUCER@gmail.com

Training or Experience Related to the Commission or Board Post for Which you are Applying:

I have been a pediatric nurse for 15 years and am currently working as a Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner. I have been a travel nurse and worked in many states so I bring perspective from Washington, Massachusetts, Indiana, Colorado, and New York state with me to Vermont.

Current Occupation: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

Education (list most recent first):

School	Location	Year/Degree
Boston College	Chestnut Hill, MA	2022, Doctorate of Nursing Practice DNP
Indiana University	Indianapolis, IN	2011, Bachelors of Science in Nursing

What do you hope to accomplish as a Commissioner/Board Member?

I hope to exercise public engagement and professional development. I am newer to Burlington and invested in public service.

How did you learn of the opportunity/opening to serve on a Board/Commission?

Front Porch Forum

Have you served as a Burlington City Commissioner/Board Member in the past? No
If the answer is yes, please list any and all appointments and dates you served.

Do you foresee any potential conflicts of interest if you were appointed to the position for which you are applying? No If so, please explain:

I have discussed my application with my employer (Primary Care Health Partners at Timber Lane Pediatrics) and we both see no conflict of interest.

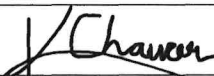
List Two References:

Dr. Alicia Veit (802)-503-5030

Dr. Denise Aronzon (802)-881-5264

Please use this area to make any further comments regarding your candidacy, especially in regard to your qualification for this position. You may attach additional sheets if necessary.

I wish to be a strong advocate for the health of children and families during these unpredictable times in government. I am a new parent and would like to model advocacy and public engagement to my son as he grows up.

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APPLICATION FOR: Board of Health Board/Commission

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****Vacancies on the Board for Registration of Voters still require your political affiliation****

Full Name: William Oetjen Ward: 7

Residence: 762 North Avenue **Political Affiliati: _____

Are you a registered Burlington Voter? Yes

Phone (home): _____ Phone (work): _____ Phone (cell): 802-373-4568

E-Mail Address: billoetjen@gmail.com

Training or Experience Related to the Commission or Board Post for Which you are Applying:

My domestic partner of many years was diagnosed with ovarian cancer, and I helped her through two years of chemotherapy and surgery and eventually her hospice care until the end.

In the process, I learned a lot about navigating insurance, home nursing and the myriad logistical challenges faced by patients with serious illness. Additionally, my approximately 20 years of teaching would help the BTV Health Dept. deliver on its educational component.

Current Occupation: Retired MS classroom teacher.

Education (list most recent first):

School	Location	Year/Degree
University of Vermont	Burlington, VT	Graduated 1996/BS in Education
Community College of VT.	Winooski Campus	Transferred in 1995
Benjamin Cardozo HS	NYC	Graduated in 1978

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What do you hope to accomplish as a Commissioner/Board Member?
I would like to help bring

I would like to be of service to the community in maintaining healthy environments for every one in Burlington. Besides for my education experience, I was also involved in commercial and residential construction as an electrician, so I understand the mitigation of health hazards common in older buildings, which comprise so much of Burlington's housing stock.

How did you learn of the opportunity/opening to serve on a Board/Commission?

I saw the opportunity on the city's website.

Have you served as a Burlington City Commissioner/Board Member in the past? _____
If the answer is yes, please list any and all appointments and dates you served.

This would be my first appointment.

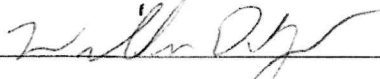
Do you foresee any potential conflicts of interest if you were appointed to the position for which you are applying? None. If so, please explain:

List Two References:

Christopher Aaron Felker ph: 802-330-1520

Mark Leopold ph: 802-272-7854

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Signature: 

Date: 12/9/2025

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APPLICATION FOR: BOARD OF HEALTH Board/Commission
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****Vacancies on the Board for Registration of Voters still require your political affiliation****

Full Name: Nicholas (Nick) Tatakis Ward: 7

Residence: 17 Fairmont Pl ****Political Affiliation****:

Are you a registered Burlington Voter? Yes

Phone (home): Phone (work): Phone (cell): (585) 754-7938

E-Mail Address: nicktatakis@gmail.com ntatakis@burlingtonvt.gov

Training or Experience Related to the Commission or Board Post for Which you are Applying:

Vermont Department of Health – Public Health Specialist (June 2022 – Present)
Philadelphia Department of Public Health – Viral Hepatitis Program Specialist (November 2021 – June 2022)
Prevention Point Philadelphia – HIV Prevention and Hepatitis Treatment Clinic Coordinator (March 2019 – November 2021)

Certified Prevention Specialist – sitting for exam 12/10/2025
New England Leadership Development Program (October – December 2025)

Current Occupation: Public Health Specialist, Vermont Department of Health

Education (list most recent first):

School	Location	Year/Degree
University of Vermont	Burlington, VT	2016/B.S.

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What do you hope to accomplish as a Commissioner/Board Member?

Contribute to the health of the people who live in Burlington and those who will live here in the future.

Deepen my connection to Burlington community members and the leaders of our city.

Contribute to health equity.

How did you learn of the opportunity/opening to serve on a Board/Commission?

Current board member informed me of a vacancy.

Have you served as a Burlington City Commissioner/Board Member in the past?

Yes

If the answer is yes, please list any and all appointments and dates you served.

Fletcher Free Library Commission (07/01/2024 – 06/30/2027)

Do you foresee any potential conflicts of interest if you were appointed to the position for which you are applying? No If so, please explain:

List Two References:

1. Bianka Cimrin – Bianka@burlingtonpartnership.org 802-777-4011
2. Sarah Roy – Sarah.Roy@vermont.gov

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As a public health professional with direct service experience in the substance use system of care, I believe I would bring valuable expertise to Burlington’s Board of Health. A constellation of factors contribute to the health of a community: from the policies and services that exist (or do not exist), to social and economic factors that benefit some and create barriers for others. The health of a community can be improved when a deliberate, data-driven process is used to address specific factors. Clear, respectful, and accurate information is critical for the health of individuals and communities. In my personal and professional roles, I regularly practice these values when communicating and strive to treat every person with dignity.

In particular, disease prevention is my area of public health expertise. I have worked in and led programs that help prevent HIV, viral hepatitis, vaccine-preventable diseases, and substance use disorder. Prevention is cost-effective¹ and possible for both individuals and communities.

For what it’s worth, my bachelors degree is in Animal Science, in the event it is ever useful in relation to section 283 of the Burlington Code of Ordinances (Article 87. License to Sell Milk or Cream).

I am eager to bring my diverse experience and passion for community health and well-being to Burlington’s Board of Health.

¹ <https://archive.cdc.gov/#/details?url=https://www.cdc.gov/policy/hi5/docs/hi5-overview-v6.pdf>

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APPLICATION FOR: Board of Health Board/Commission

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****Vacancies on the Board for Registration of Voters still require your political affiliation****

Full Name: Kate Tracy Ward: 8

Residence: 151 Ledge Rd ****Political Affiliation****: _____

Are you a registered Burlington Voter? Yes

Phone (home): 410-579-6801 Phone (work): _____ Phone (cell): 443-800-4854

E-Mail Address: kate.tracy@gmail.com

Training or Experience Related to the Commission or Board Post for Which you are Applying:

I am currently the Senior Associate Dean for Research for the UVM Larner College of Medicine.

I am trained as a health psychologist and have an extensive track record in public health and biomedical research, both in the US and internationally. I have led multiple projects in low and middle income countries in Africa and South America. My own personnel research program has focused on promoting cervical cancer prevention through screening and HPV vaccination.

Current Occupation: Senior Associate Dean for Research, Larner College of Medicine, UVM

Education (list most recent first):

School	Location	Year/Degree
UMBC	Maryland	PhD, 2003
UMBC	Maryland	MA, 2001
Univ of Kentucky	Lexington, KY	BA, 1992

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What do you hope to accomplish as a Commissioner/Board Member?

As a board member, I hope to be part of a coalition that will help the city become a safer, healthier place for residents and visitors.

Current challenges related to our unhoused population and the frequently co-occurring issue of substance use and mental health issues in our unhoused citizens must be thoughtfully addressed. As a board member, these individuals face barriers to care and heightened health risks.

My priorities are: (1) advocate for harm-reduction and behavioral health access; (2) promote health equity through targeted outreach and trauma-informed education; (3) strengthen partnerships with shelters, treatment providers, and state agencies to connect housing and health services;

It's also critical to address the concerns among our downtown business community and work to address safety and health concerns that are negatively impacting downtown business owners.

How did you learn of the opportunity/opening to serve on a Board/Commission?

A colleague recommended the opportunity to me.

Have you served as a Burlington City Commissioner/Board Member in the past? no

If the answer is yes, please list any and all appointments and dates you served.

Do you foresee any potential conflicts of interest if you were appointed to the position for which you are applying? yes If so, please explain:

I am the senior associate dean for research for UVM's Larner College of Medicine. UVM experts are often engaged in research and public health and health activities in Burlington and beyond. UVM's

Center on Rural Addiction is involved in addressing substance use in the local unhoused community. It may be necessary to recuse myself from some discussions and decisions that involve UVM.

List Two References:

Tiffany Delaney: tiffany.delaney@med.uvm.edu

Richard L. Page: richard.page@med.uvm.edu

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Full academic CV available upon request

Signature: Kate Tracy Date: 12/4/2025

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APPLICATION FOR: Board of Health Board/Commission

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****Vacancies on the Board for Registration of Voters still require your political affiliation****

Full Name: Heidi Westermann Ward: 6

Residence: 66 Adams St. **Political Affiliation: _____

Are you a registered Burlington Voter? Y

Phone (home): _____ Phone (work): _____ Phone (cell): 802.760.8456

E-Mail Address: heidi.westermann@gmail.com

Training or Experience Related to the Commission or Board Post for Which you are Applying:

I have a masters in public health in epidemiology and have worked in governmental and non-profit public health for 21 years. This includes 2 years at the NYC Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene and 8 years at the VT Dept. of Health. I currently work at the national level supporting all states and territories to build public health infrastructure and sustainable systems improvements. I have also taught PH surveillance at UVM. Prior to this, I served in AmeriCorps with Habitat for Humanity and am deeply committed to service and the social determinants of health.

Current Occupation: Director, Public Health Data Modernization & Informatics

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/heidi-westermann/>

Education (list most recent first):

School	Location	Year/Degree
Yale School of Public Health	New Haven, CT	2009, MPH
Vassar College	Poughkeepsie, NY	2004, BA

What do you hope to accomplish as a Commissioner/Board Member?

I deeply value investing in good government, civic engagement, and service. In my role supporting states and territories, I have contributed to the public health field but in a removed way. I hope to support Burlington more directly by offering my voice and expertise to the most local community I have. Having read past minutes, I know the issues the board faces and know I can help ensure the board is fully staffed and able to meaningfully engage in positive change.

How did you learn of the opportunity/opening to serve on a Board/Commission?

Front Porch Forum > burlingtonvt.gov > current vacancies

Have you served as a Burlington City Commissioner/Board Member in the past? No
If the answer is yes, please list any and all appointments and dates you served.

Do you foresee any potential conflicts of interest if you were appointed to the position for which you are applying? No If so, please explain:

I do not anticipate any conflicts of interest but know that my day-to-day work at the national level and past experience with the state could lead to some intersections but not likely to arise as a conflict.

List Two References:

Jessie Baker, South Burlington City Manager, 802.760.9123

Lillian Colasurdo, Director, State Health Policy at ASTHO, 802.917.2242

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I grew up in Morrisville, VT and have lived in Lamoille, Washington, and now Chittenden Counties. I moved to Burlington in 2024 and became a landlord because I know how great this city is and how much we want to encourage investment in its long term future. The BOH has a discrete and meaningful role to play in that and I hope I can help.

Signature: Heidi Westermann Digitally signed by Heidi Westermann
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email=hwestermann@astho.org, c=US
Date: 2025.12.10.10:49:59 -0500 Date: December 10, 2025

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