



City Council

Monday, February 9, 2026, 6:00 PM, Regular City Council Meeting and Public Information Hearing on Ballot Questions, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor

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1. Agenda

Subject	1.1. Motion to amend/adopt agenda
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Category	1. Agenda
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	Motion to amend/adopt agenda

2. Executive Session (30 mins.)

Subject	2.1. Litigation Update
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Category	2. Executive Session (30 mins.)
Department	City Attorney
Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	Motion 1: Move that the Council find that premature general public knowledge of legal advice and information concerning the details of "pending and/or potential" litigation to which the City is a party or has a stated interest would clearly place the City at a substantial disadvantage; Motion 2: Based upon that finding, move that the Council go into executive session to receive confidential attorney-client communications in pending and/or potential civil litigation matters, pursuant to 1 VSA §313(a)(1)(E) and (F), and including representatives from the Mayor's Office, the DFA, and the City Attorney's Office.

3. Public Forum: Time Certain: 6:30 pm **See above for signup instructions**

Subject	3.1. Verbal Comments
Meeting	February 9, 2026 - Regular City Council Meeting and Public Information Hearing on Ballot Questions - Monday, February 9, 2026, 6:00 PM, Regular City Council Meeting and Public Information Hearing on Ballot Questions, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor
Category	3. Public Forum: Time Certain: 6:30 pm **See above for signup instructions**
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	open Public Forum close Public Forum

4. Mayor - General City Affairs (up to 10 mins.)

Subject	4.1. Verbal reports
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Category	4. Mayor - General City Affairs (up to 10 mins.)
Department	Council and Board
Type	Information

5. Consent Agenda

Subject	5.1. Motion to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated
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Category	5. Consent Agenda
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action (Consent) Procedural
Recommended Action	Motion to adopt the consent agenda and take the actions indicated
Subject	5.2. Accountability List - DFA
Meeting	February 9, 2026 - Regular City Council Meeting and Public Information Hearing on Ballot Questions - Monday, February 9, 2026, 6:00 PM, Regular City Council Meeting and Public Information Hearing on Ballot Questions, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church Street, 2nd Floor
Category	5. 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
Subject	5.3. January 26, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes - DFA
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Category	5. Consent Agenda
Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action (Consent) Information Minutes
Recommended Action	approve the minutes
Subject	5.4. Communication: James Marc Leas, re: Remarks to City Council on January 26, 2026
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Category	5. Consent Agenda
Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action (Consent) Communication
Recommended Action	waive the reading and place the communication on file
Subject	5.5. Communication: Michael Long, re: AFC Ballot Item
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Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action (Consent) Communication
Recommended Action	waive the reading and place the communication on file
Subject	5.6. Communication: Selena Kunkel, re: Apartheid Free Community Statement
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Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action (Consent) Communication
Recommended Action	waive the reading and place the communication on file
Subject	5.7. Communication: Jonathan Chapple-Sokol, re: Open Letter to Educational Leadership concerning the work of the Redistricting Task Force
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Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Communication Action (Consent)
Recommended Action	waive the reading and place the communication on file

Subject	5.8. Communication: Leila Hillman, re: Apartheid Free...
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Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action (Consent) Communication
Recommended Action	waive the reading and place the communication on file
Subject	5.9. Communication: Mousa Ishaq and Kristin Peterson, Burlington-Bethlehem-Arad Sister City Program, re: AFC Resolution
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Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action (Consent) Communication
Recommended Action	waive the reading and place the communication on file
Subject	5.10. Communication: R. Marcus West, re: various letters to various leadership regarding various topics
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Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action (Consent) Communication
Recommended Action	waive the reading and place the communication on file
Subject	5.11. Communication: Paul Fleckenstein, re: Comments on "Community Dialogue" Resolution 1/26/26
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Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action (Consent) Communication
Recommended Action	waive the reading and place the communication on file
Subject	5.12. Communication: Beth Royer, Chittenden County Clerk, re: Adopted FY 27 Chittenden County Budget
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Category	5. Consent Agenda
Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Communication Action (Consent)
Recommended Action	waive the reading and place the communication on file
Subject	5.13. Harlem Knights Meets Roaring Twenties - REIB
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Category	5. Consent Agenda
Department	Racial Equity, Inclusion, & Belonging (REIB)
Type	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action	to approve and authorize the Director of the Racial Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Office and the Chief Administrative Officer to issue a sponsorship grant in the amount of \$2,000 to Hip Hop For Flood Relief to support the Harlem Knights Meets the Roaring Twenties event from the Community Celebrations GL
Subject	5.14. FIO Documents
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Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action (Consent) Communication Information
Recommended Action	for information only

Subject	5.15. Resolution: Authorization For Burlington Electric Department Revenue Bonds For Net Zero Energy & Grid Reliability Projects (Board of Finance)
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Category	5. Consent Agenda
Department	Burlington Electric Department
Type	Action (Consent) Resolution
Recommended Action	waive the reading and adopt the resolution

6. Deliberative Agenda

Subject	6.1. Resolution: Appreciation For Crossing Guards (Councilors Barlow, Bergman, McKnight, Broderick) (10 mins.)
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Category	6. Deliberative Agenda
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action Resolution
Recommended Action	waive the reading and adopt the resolution
Subject	6.2. Public Information Hearing on Ballot Questions Regarding March 3, 2026 Annual City Election
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Category	6. Deliberative Agenda
Department	Department of Finance and Administration
Type	Action Public Hearing
Recommended Action	open Public Hearing close Public Hearing
Subject	6.3. Fletcher Free Library Strategic Directions 2025-2028 (25 mins.)
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Category	6. Deliberative Agenda
Department	Fletcher Free Library
Type	Information Presentation

7. Committee Reports

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Category	7. Committee Reports
Department	Council and Board
Type	Information

8. City Council - General City Affairs (to include Climate and Public Health & Safety Emergency Updates: up to 5 mins. per Councilor)

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9. City Council President - Council Updates (up to 5 mins.)

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Category	9. City Council President - Council Updates (up to 5 mins.)
Department	Council and Board
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10. Adjournment

Subject	10.1. Motion to adjourn
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Category	10. Adjournment
Department	Council and Board
Type	Action Procedural
Recommended Action	Motion to adjourn

11. Informational and Non-Discrimination Statements

Subject	11.1. This agenda is available in alternative formats upon request. For more information on access, call Lori Olberg, Council and Licensing Coordinator (802-865-7136)(TTY 802-865-7142). Persons with disabilities who require assistance or special arrangements to participate are encouraged to contact 802-865-7000 (voice) or 802-865-7142 (TTY) at least 72 hours in advance so that proper arrangements can be made. This meeting will also air on Town Meeting TV the Wednesday after the meeting, starting at 8:00 pm and repeating at 1:00 am and 7:00 am the following day. The City of Burlington will not tolerate unlawful harassment or discrimination on the basis of political or religious affiliation, race, color, national origin, place of birth, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, veteran status, disability, HIV positive status, crime victim status or genetic information.
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