THE MEETING OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON COMMON COUNCIL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2011, AT 7:00 PM, AT THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 525 HIGH STREET, BURLINGTON, NJ, PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk advised the public of the location of the two fire exits; one on the left after exiting the Council Chamber and the other being the entrance to the building.

Members present: President Ghaul, Mr. Babula, Mr. Conaway, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Lollar, Ms. Woodard. (6) Absent: Ms. Mercuri. (1)

Also present: Municipal Attorney- George Saponaro, Chief Wallace, Lt. Snow, Dave Ballard, Robin Snodgrass.

The following notice of the meeting was sent:

There will be a Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Burlington held on July 19, 2011 at 7:00 PM, prevailing time at the City Hall Building, 525 High Street, Burlington, N.J. 08016.

Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk

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RESOLUTIONS
Resolution No. 148-2011

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

WADE D. EPPS

Whereas, Wade D. Epps was a native of the City of Burlington and served as a member of the Common Council of the City of Burlington; and

Whereas, Wade was a graduate of the City of Burlington Public School System and was a graduate from Princeton University and the Princeton Theological Seminary; and

Whereas, Wade was very active in many organizations, and was currently serving as a Commissioner of the City of Burlington Housing Authority and as a Pastor for the Christ Baptist Church of the City of Burlington; and

Whereas, Wade served the Citizens of the City of Burlington as a member of Common Council
from the First Ward. First appointed on July 30th 1985 and serving until 1991 under the 12 member Council, he later returned to Common Council when he was elected Councilman-at-Large in November of 1999 serving from 2000 to 2003. On March 3, 2009, Wade was once again called upon to serve his beloved City when he was appointed to Common Council to fulfill an unexpired term until December 31, 2009. Councilman Epps was the President Pro-tem of Common Council in 2002 and 2003; and

Whereas, Wade has served our Citizens well for many years, and the City of Burlington Mayor and Common Council, and its citizens are deeply saddened by his untimely death and wish to express our deepest sympathy and our gratitude for his lasting service to his God, his Family and his City;

Now, therefore be it resolved that, Mayor Dr. James A. Fazzone, Council President Douglas Ghaul, Vice President Marie Lollar, Council Members Helen Hatala, Suzanne Woodard, Jeanette Mercuri, Barry Conaway and David Babula hereby adopt this resolution in the memory of our friend and former colleague, Wade D. Epps, this 19th day of July in the year 2011.

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Hatala, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Babula, Mr. Conaway, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Lollar, Ms. Woodard, Mr. Ghaul. (6) NAYS: (0); Absent: Ms. Mercuri. (1)

Councilwoman Hatala and President Ghaul spoke warmly of former Councilman Wade D. Epps.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS
Lisa Schiller reminded everyone of the Car Show this Saturday; gave an update on the Festival of Lights.

CONSENT AGENDA
Councilwoman Hatala, moved that all Consent Agenda items be approved. It was seconded by Councilwoman Woodard. All were in favor. Absent: Ms. Mercuri.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES
Councilwoman Hatala, moved that the invoices be approved. It was seconded by Councilwoman Lollar. All were in favor; Absent: Ms. Mercuri; Abstain: Mr Ghaul.

ORDINANCE(S) - INTRODUCTION & FIRST READING
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON TO INCLUDE REGULATIONS ON RESIDENTIAL OUTDOOR FIRES
Upon the motion of Councilwoman Woodard, seconded by Councilwoman Lollar, the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Babula, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Lollar, Ms. Woodard, Mr. Ghaul. (5) NAYS: Mr. Conaway. (1); Absent: Ms. Mercuri. (1)

RESOLUTIONS / CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS*

Resolution No. 145-2011*
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON, DESIGNATING A CITY OF BURLINGTON GREEN TEAM COMMITTEE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE SUSTAINABLE JERSEY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Whereas, the City of Burlington Common Council passed Resolution 198-2010 supporting the City’s participation in the Sustainable Jersey Certification Program and authorizing Robin Snodgrass to complete the Municipality Registration on behalf of the City of Burlington; and

Whereas, the Municipality Registration has been completed and the next step toward obtaining certification from the Sustainable Jersey Program requires the City to designate a Green Team committee to review and make recommendations to the Mayor and Governing Body with respect to the implementation of local initiatives and actions that will lead to Sustainable Jersey Certification; and

Whereas, The Green Team committee will coordinate the sustainability activities of the community and will leverage the skills and expertise of the team members and interested citizens from a broad cross-section of the City to develop plans, implement programs and assist with educational outreach opportunities that support the creation of a sustainable community;

Now, therefore be it resolved, by the Common Council, that Burlington S.E.E.D. (Social, Environmental, Educational, and Economic Development) Committee, under the auspices of Sisterhood, Inc., a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, be designated as the City of Burlington’s Green Team committee for the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

Be it further resolved that Robin Snodgrass, John Alexander and David Ballard are authorized to coordinate their efforts with those of the Green Team committee.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor. Absent: Ms. Mercuri.

Resolution No. 146-2011*
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON IN SUPPORT/AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRANT PROGRAM

Whereas, the City of Burlington’s participation in the Sustainable Jersey Program reflects the City’s resolve to optimize the quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

Whereas, there is grant money available from the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants Program
funded by Wal-Mart; and

Whereas, said grants are for the purpose of helping local governments make progress toward Sustainable Jersey certification; and

Whereas, the Mayor of the City of Burlington recommends that the City apply for a $1,000 grant from the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants Program to be utilized by the Green Team for their efforts in pursuing Sustainable Jersey Certification for the City of Burlington;

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Common Council of the City of Burlington, State of New Jersey, does authorize the submission of the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant funded by Wal-Mart; and

Be it further resolved that the proper City Officials are authorized to complete and execute any necessary documents pertaining to such grant application.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor. Absent: Ms. Mercuri.

Resolution No. 147-2011

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AND KEVIN REYNOLDS, d/b/a KK’s BBQ

BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Burlington, that the Mayor and other appropriate City Officials are hereby authorized to execute the attached agreement for a License Agreement by and between Kevin Reynolds, 1904 Woodhollow Drive, Marlton, N.J., d/b/a KK’s BBQ, and the City of Burlington, for the operation of his business on a portion of the City’s property located at Route 130 and Salem Road, generally identified as the former “Burlington Mart property”

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Woodard, seconded by Councilwoman Lollar, the foregoing resolution was introduced.

On the question, Councilwoman Hatala asked about a term.

Mr. Ballard explained that the term would be month to month and the City can rescind it with 30 days notice.

Councilman Conaway spoke of the need for Council to review this further; requested a Conference of Council.

The resolution was then removed from the agenda pending Council’s review and further
discussion.

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Beverly Tishler, 109 E. Union Street- stated that the yellow lines at the end of her driveway in front of her residence are missing; the neighbors are parking in front of her residences blocking her driveway; spoke of a house on the corner of E. Union and Stacy Streets, someone is feeding cats there and are attracting other animals too; asked the City for direction for animal control.

Ms. Snodgrass stated that the City does have animal control and a private company; she will reach out to Ms. Tishler.

Charles Frier, 201 York Street- expressed sympathy to the family of Wade Epps; spoke in favor of the Great Adventure Program.

Geraldine, 1807 Cedar Drive, Medford- spoke in favor of the Great Adventure Program.

Denise, 321 E. Union Street- spoke in favor of the Great Adventure Program; requested on behalf of the Historic Yorkshire Alliance that the City approve additional bus stops; spoke of concerns for the disabled, elderly and disadvantaged; submitted a petition to designate additional bus stops along Broad Street with lighting and seating.

Betty Wilson, 337 E. Union Street- spoke of the City and State’s neighborhood Preservation Programs.

Mr. Ballard stated that the City is waiting to hear back from NJT regarding the bus stops; the City has requested several stops.

Roseanne Harding, 102 E. Union Street- spoke of a cat problem in her neighborhood; spoke of the need for a License and Neuter/Spay Program; suggested sending the stray cats to Burlington Island.

Edward Troy, 126 Farner Avenue- spoke of the KK BBQ resolution removed from the agenda; spoke in opposition; commended Council for removing it; spoke of $1.6 million in school money allocated for Burlington.

Jim Fischer, 35 W. Union Street- expressed sympathy for the passing of Wade Epps; spoke of the revitalization, cleanliness and safety of the City; spoke of the Light Rail; stated there are methadone clinics in Camden and Trenton; requested a police officer at the corner of High and Broad at all times.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**
Councilwoman Lollar spoke of feral cats in her neighborhood.

Councilman Conaway thanked the Police Department for the blocked off streets for a Memorial Service; urged those with allergies to get epi pens; asked about the status of a Resolution or Ordinance regarding access to the island.

President Ghaul asked the Clerk to check on this and give copies to Council.

Councilwoman Hatala announced the birth of Mr. Saponaro’s new daughter, Annika Holly Saponaro.

President Ghaul spoke of spot- a- pots at the Light Rail stops; asked Administration to contact Light Rail regarding security at the stops or paying for an officer.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Hatala, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, this meeting of July 19, 2011 was adjourned.

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Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk

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Hon. Douglas Ghaul, President
Common Council