

# Resolution Relating to

**RESOLUTION**  
Sponsor(s): Councilors Paul,  
Wright, Keogh

Introduced: 02/14/11

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

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

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

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

MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

## CITY OF BURLINGTON

In the year Two Thousand Eleven.....

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

That WHEREAS, the City of Burlington greatly values its public buildings, many of whom are historic and contribute to the city's skyline and character; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the City recognizes the importance of public space and is especially cognizant of the need for large public spaces as they provide a venue for sizable events and serve to attract visitors to Burlington due to these notable events; and

WHEREAS, this Council is acutely aware of the cost of maintaining public buildings, many of which are older and require repair, replacement and improvements for accessibility and general improvements for safety; and

WHEREAS, one such public building that needs significant improvements is Memorial Auditorium; and

WHEREAS, this Council understands that a group of individuals made up of representatives from the Mayor's office, the Clerk/Treasurer's office, Parks and Recreation, the Department of Public Works and other departments with a specific interest has been meeting for some time to discuss the feasibility of making the necessary improvements to the building as well as discussing the idea of either a private/public partnership to renovate Memorial Auditorium and/or selling the building to a private entity; and

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WHEREAS, Memorial Auditorium is one of several buildings in what is known as the “Super Block” and it is prudent to have the discussion about this block in relation to an overall set of recommendations about the future of this important and vital piece of city-owned real estate;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council requests that the committee that has been meeting on issues regarding Memorial Auditorium be expanded to include Planning Director David White; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this committee is requested to report back to the City Council by the first meeting in July with a list of alternatives for the Council to consider regarding the potential development of Memorial Auditorium and the entire block that is commonly referred to as the "super block" including positives and negatives for each option.