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2 **Resolution Relating to**
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RESOLUTION
Councilors ~~Adrian,~~
Sponsor(s): ~~Shannon, Wright, Hartnett~~

Introduced: 06/27/11
Referred to: _____

Action: _____
Date: _____
Signed by Mayor: _____

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7 **PARKING PERMITS FOR CITY COUNCILORS**
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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 WHEREAS, the Burlington City Councilors have been issued parking permits that
18 allowed that Councilor to park when performing official city business; and

19 WHEREAS there was and continues to be no clear definition of what constitutes official
20 city business. In addition, each Councilor has an idea in her or his mind as to what constitutes
21 official city business; and

22 WHEREAS, the Mayor of Burlington has a designated parking spot; and

23 WHEREAS, on June 10, 2011 the City Council was unilaterally informed by the City
24 Parking Manager that Councilors would no longer be issued parking passes. While this position
25 has since been reversed, it underscores the difficulty with not having an ordinance applicable to
26 this issue; and

27 WHEREAS, Councilors are ambassadors of the City at all times and are often engaged
28 by constituents while shopping; at sporting events, in the parks, etc. as well as at official
29 meetings; and

30 WHEREAS, the Chief of Police does not oppose a formal mechanism for extending
31 parking privileges to Councilors;

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council recognizes the benefit of
33 allowing councilors to park at all times without fearing a parking ticket; and

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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council refers to the Ordinance Committee the
41 task of creating an ordinance that establishes a parking permit for City Councilors that will be
42 attached to the outside of a vehicle and will be good at any and all times a parking fee or fare is
43 required. This includes but is not limited to any and all spaces (other than spaces reserved for
44 persons with disabilities) posted or otherwise, including but no limited to, meters, garages and
45 parks of the City of Burlington; and

46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ordinance Committee is requested to report
47 back to the full Council with a recommendation no later than September 15, 2011. In the
48 interim, the Council will continue to utilize the parking permit system currently in effect.

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51 lb/rwh/c: Resolutions 2011/Parking Permits for City Councilors
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