

**Resolution Relating to**

**RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_**

AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND PUBLIC SAFETY  
TRANSFORMATION FUNDS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY  
COMMITTEE AND POLICE COMMISSION JOINT  
COMMITTEE COMMUNITY FACILITATOR CONTRACT

Sponsor(s): Public Safety Committee  
and Police Commission Joint  
Committee  
Introduced: \_\_\_\_\_  
Referred to: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Action: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signed by Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY OF BURLINGTON**

In the year Two Thousand Twenty .....

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

- 1 That WHEREAS, on June 29, 2020 the Burlington City Council adopted a *Resolution Relating to Racial*
- 2 *Justice through Economic and Criminal Justice* creating a Joint Committee comprised of the City Council
- 3 Public Safety Committee and the City’s Police Commission to begin an inquiry into the question of how to
- 4 build a healthy and safe community and what institutions are needed to reach that goal; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the City Council directed that this inquiry include a full operational and functional
- 6 assessment of the Burlington Police Department with full community participation and input; and
- 7 WHEREAS, on October 29, 2020 the Joint Committee issued a Request for Proposals for a
- 8 Community Facilitator to assist the Joint Committee in obtaining public input for its operational and
- 9 functional assessment of the Burlington Police Department and, creating an ongoing program for obtaining
- 10 public input into the operations of the Police Department; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the Joint Committee received three responses to the RFP from 1) Johansson Consulting,
- 12 LLC, with an estimated total cost of \$13,650-23,150; 2) Rand Corporation, with an estimated total cost of
- 13 \$104,597; and 3) Talitha Consultants, with an estimated total cost of \$38,850; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the Joint Committee members scored the responses, and Talitha Consultants received the
- 15 highest scores based on an evaluation of their approach to support and decision making, experience obtaining
- 16 input from communities, experience facilitating virtual meetings, experience with and approach to eliciting
- 17 participation from underrepresented communities, and their plan for community involvement; and
- 18 WHEREAS; the Joint Committee, after discussion and review of two references, determined that the
- 19 proposal from Talitha Consultants best fit the needs of the Joint Committee, and voted to recommend
- 20 execution of a contract with Talitha Consultants;
- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Burlington City Council authorizes Tyeastia Green,
- 22 Director of Racial Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging, to execute a Contract with Talitha Consultants in the

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23 amount of \$38,850, payable from the Public Safety Transformation Fund, subject to final approval of the City  
24 Attorney.

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