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### **BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL SELECTS NEXT CITY ATTORNEY**

**Burlington, NC** – During their September 2, 2014 regular meeting, the Burlington City Council announced the selection of David R. Huffman to the position of City Attorney. David Huffman, a member of Burlington's City Council for twenty-nine of the past thirty-five years, has been practicing law since 1986. He earned a Bachelor of Science from Wake Forest University in 1973, a Masters of Public Administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1983 and a Juris Doctor in 1986 from Mercer University in Macon Georgia. He has been in private legal practice in Alamance County for over 25 years.

Of his appointment Mr. Huffman says, "I appreciate the citizens of Burlington having allowed me to serve as a councilman and mayor pro tem, I am also appreciative of the city council for this opportunity to continue public service as city attorney. I look forward to these new challenges."

Mr. Huffman will assume his role of Burlington City Attorney on October 1, 2014. Before this date, he will resign from his position of Mayor Pro Tem of the Burlington City Council. The City Council will discuss the matter of filling the vacancy created by Mayor Pro Tem's departure from the Council during upcoming meetings.

"David has had decades of experience working through complex issues as a member of the City Council. That experience, paired with his comprehensive legal background gives us confidence that he will expertly advise the Council regarding its legal matters," says Mayor Ronnie K. Wall.

Mr. Huffman will replace Charles Bateman, who has served as Interim City Attorney since July of 2011. The City Attorney serves as the legal advisor to the Burlington City Council and represents the City in all legal matters. The City Attorney prepares and reviews contracts, ordinances and resolutions in addition to rendering legal advice and opinions relating to the legal affairs of the City.

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