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The City of Burlington is seeking public input on the next Police Chief

Burlington, NC - The City of Burlington is beginning the journey to select our next Police Chief, and we want to hear from Burlington residents. The hiring process will involve multiple steps, the first of these is the public input and community engagement.

In the council-manager form of municipal government, the decision of selecting department heads (including the Police Chief) rests solely with the City Manager. City Manager Hardin Watkins would like to receive input from community members so he can put together the ideal candidate profile for Burlington.

The input received will also help the City's HR Department and consultant to develop meaningful and unique questions and exercises for the candidates. This input will be collected, summarized, and provided to the City Manager and consultant.

These tools will be used to identify characteristics, skills and abilities needed in the next Chief, as well as successes and critical challenges facing the City of Burlington Police Department.

There are three ways for the public to provided feedback on the Police Chief profile development for Burlington. Please Register by May 3rd.

- Online Police Chief Public Input Survey [TAKE THE SURVEY](#)
Paper copies in English and Spanish are available at City Hall located a 425 S. Lexington Avenue
- May 5th, 2021- 6:00pm-7:30pm - Virtual Zoom Public Input Session [REGISTER HERE](#)
- May 6th, 2021- 6:00pm-7:30pm - In-Person Public Input Session [REGISTER HERE](#)
Kernodle Senior Center located at 1535 S. Mebane Street, Burlington, NC 27215

The in-person session will be limited capacity and adhere to the North Carolina Executive order allowing 50 persons to gather in indoor spaces. Mask and social distancing will be required as well.

Following the Public Input portion of the process the city will move through recruitment, assessment and hiring. For more information go to www.BurlingtonNC.gov/PoliceChief

For more information contact the City Manager's office at 336-222-5020.

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“The City of Burlington is dedicated to providing high quality municipal services within our diverse community in a friendly, professional and efficient manner in order to promote the safety, health, and quality of life of residents and employees.”

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