

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-4129

COUNCIL SPONSOR: FALCONER/BRISTER PROVIDED BY: PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

RESOLUTION TO CREATE A CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT HOME RULE CHARTER AND TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION.

WHEREAS, the existing Home Rule Charter for St. Tammany Parish Government was approved by the voters on October 3, 1998; and

WHEREAS, since its approval the Parish has experienced enormous growth of its population, infrastructure and its needs; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide the necessary services and infrastructure to the citizens Parish Government must adjust and therefore. it is necessary to review the Parish Home Rule Charter to determine if any amendments are necessary to meet the current needs of the citizenry; and

WHEREAS, appointing a Committee is the most efficient way to obtain credible public input; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Parish Council and the Parish President to create an advisory committee only which will make its recommendations to the Council and Parish Administration for consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council and the Parish President expressly state their intent, the Charter Review Committee created herein shall not be construed as a Home Rule Charter Commission pursuant to LA Constitution Article VI (5).

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that it creates an advisory Home Rule Charter Committee pursuant to Section 8-05 of the Home Rule Charter for the purpose of reviewing the current St. Tammany Parish Home Rule Charter and provide recommended revisions and/ or amendmetns, if any; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the advisory Committee shall consist of nine (9) members appointed as follows:

Two (2) members appointed by the Parish President

Two (2) members appointed by the Parish Council

One (1) member appointed by the Northshore Business Council

One (1) member appointed by the East St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce

One (1) member appointed by the St. Tammany West Chamber of Commerce

One (1) member appointed by the Bureau of Governmental Research

One (1) member appointed by the members of the St. Tammany Parish legislative delegation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee shall provide its findings in a written report to the St. Tammany Parish Council and the Parish President for consideration no later than April 1, 2015.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 7 DAY OF AUGUST, 2014, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

R. REID FALCONER, AIA, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

Administrative Comment

Parish President Pat Brister would like to form a committee to review the St. Tammany Parish Government Home Rule Charter. This committee will provide recommendations to the Parish Council and Administration by April 1, 2015.