

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-4231

COUNCIL SPONSOR: FALCONER/BRISTER PROVIDED BY: LEGAL DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION TO CREATE A FAIRGROUNDS ADVISORY REVIEW BOARD TO REVIEW CURRENT FAIRGROUNDS OPERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO SAME.

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish owns and operates the St. Tammany Parish Fairgrounds, generally located at the intersection of North Florida Street and West 33rd Avenue in Covington (the "Fairgrounds"); and

WHEREAS, the Fairgrounds has experienced a growth in usage and, to accommodate the growth, Parish desires a review of current procedures, operations and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, a review of current procedures, operations and infrastructure will determine if any amendments are necessary to the Fairgrounds to meet the needs of the citizens of St. Tammany Parish; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 8-05 of the Home Rule Charter, advisory boards may be appointed to provide advice; and

WHEREAS, appointing an advisory board is the most efficient way to obtain credible public input regarding issues such as capital improvement needs, allowable uses, facility rentals, master plan updates, neighborhood conflicts as well as other subjects raised by or before the board; and

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

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that it creates an Fairgrounds Advisory Review Board pursuant to Section 8-05 of the Home Rule Charter for the purpose of reviewing the St. Tammany Parish Fairgrounds and its capital improvement needs, allowable uses, facility rentals, master plan updates, neighborhood conflicts as well as other subjects raised by or before the board pertaining to the Fairgrounds and to provide recommended revisions and/or amendments, if any; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the advisory board shall consist of the following nine (9) members:

F. Dennis Sharp, James A. Thompson, Dennis Glass, Cotton Jordan, Michael B. Cooper, Michael G. Strain (or his designee), Jeanine Bullocks, Tommy Peters and a representative from the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the board shall provide its findings in a written report to the St. Tammany Parish Council and the Parish President for consideration no later than June 30, 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 4 DAY OF DECEMBER, 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

Resolution Administrative Comment

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Parish President would like to form a board as authorized by Section 8-05 of the Home Rule Charter to review the potential for capital improvements and operations of the Parish Fairgrounds. This Board will provide recommendations to the Parish Council and Administration as to needed/desired capital improvements, rental policy revisions, allowable usage, etc.