



# ST. CHARLES PARISH

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**TO:** MICHELLE IMPASTATO, SECRETARY  
ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL

**FROM:** ROBERT L. RAYMOND, DIRECTOR  
DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL SERVICES

**RE:** #625-Memo-Rules of Construction and Definition  
Chapter 1 Sec 1-2

I have reviewed the proposed amendment to Sec. 1-2 Rules of Construction and Definition.

The St. Charles Parish Charter sets forth the powers and duties of the Parish President. Specifically, Article III, Section B.3, and/or as otherwise provided in the Charter, grants the Parish President the executive power of the Parish. To the extent this proposed ordinance is an attempt to define, limit or otherwise instruct the Parish President on how the executive powers are to be exercised, it is an abridgement of the power and authority granted to the Parish President by the Charter, and as such, is contrary to law and therefore illegal and unenforceable.

RLR:dhh

CC Larry Cochran, Parish President  
Billy Raymond, CAO