

CITY OF CROWLEY  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 20, 2003

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, met in a special session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday the 20th day of May, 2003 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the City Hall, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana, after the giving and posting of prior notice of said meeting in the manner provided by law.

Mayor de la Houssaye presided with the following Aldermen present: James Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Vernon Martin, Mary T. Melancon, Steven C. Premeaux, and Ira Thomas. Alderwoman Laurita D. Pete and Kitty Valdetero were absent.

Alderman Buatt led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Alderman Istre gave the invocation.

SPECIAL MEETING:

You are hereby notified that a Special Council Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall. The purpose of said meeting will be:

1. Consider the Annexation of area North of I-10.
2. Consider the City's Liability Insurance
3. Consider a resolution for renewal of LCDA membership
4. Any Other Legal Items to Come before the Council

S/ Isabella L. de la Houssaye . . .

Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor

The call was Posted at City Hall on May 19, 2003 at 8:30 o'clock p.m.

The Police Dept. received the call for circulation on May 19, 2003 at 10:11 o'clock a.m.

James M Buatt      May 19, 2003 at 10:45 o'clock a.m.

Woody Marceaux    May 19, 2003 at 10:21 o'clock a.m.

    Tiger Istre      May 19, 2003 at 10:58 o'clock a.m.

Kitty Valdetero    May 20, 2003 at 1:00 o'clock p.m.

Vernon Martin      May 20, 2003 at 1:45 o'clock p.m.

Mary T. Melancon   May 19, 2003 at 10:58 o'clock a.m.

Laurita Pete        May 20, 2003 at 1:45 o'clock p.m.

    Steven Premeaux    May 20, 2003 at 1:35 o'clock p.m.

Ira Thomas         May 19, 2003 at 10:50 o'clock a.m.

Thomas K. Regan    May 19, 2003 at 11:15 o'clock a.m.

Judy L. Istre        May 19, 2003 at 10:15 o'clock a.m.

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderman Premeaux, duly seconded by Alderman Istre, and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1256

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND ENLARGING THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, DEFINING THE BOUNDARY OF A TRACT OF LAND BOUNDED BY THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 10, BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 10 AND THE CENTER LINE OF BAYOU PLAQUEMINE BRULE, AND RUNNING THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY (PART OF THE EXISTING NORTH CORPORATE BOUNDARY OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY), TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF CAFFEY ROAD, THENCE

NORTH TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 10, AND THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY TO THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 1111, THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY TO THE CENTER LINE OF THE SIXTH WARD AND CROWLEY DRAINAGE DISTRICT LATERAL DRAIN, L-16D, THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID LATERAL DRAIN TO THE EAST BOUNDARY OF GREENLAND PARK SUBDIVISION, THENCE SOUTHERLY AND WESTERLY ALONG THE BOUNDARY OF GREENLAND PARK SUBDIVISION (PART OF THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF LISA DRIVE), TO THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF NORTH CHEROKEE ROAD, THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF NORTH CHEROKEE ROAD TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE ANTHONY STEWART TRACT, THENCE WESTERLY TO THE CENTER LINE OF RUES LANE, THENCE NORTHERLY TO THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE DONALD HILLARD, ET AL., PROPERTY, THENCE WESTERLY TO THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF STEWARTVILLE ROAD, THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG STEWARTVILLE ROAD TO THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF STEWARTVILLE SUBDIVISION, THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY TO THE WEST BOUNDARY OF STEWARTVILLE, THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY OF STEWARTVILLE TO THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SHAW ROAD, THENCE NORTHWESTERLY AND NORTHERLY TO THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF NORTHWIND, INC. TRACT, THENCE WESTERLY TO THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE DR. GEORGE DCOTE, TRACT THENCE NORTHERLY, AND WESTERLY ALONG THE EAST AND NORTH BOUNDARY OF THE WAYNE KERR TRACT, TO THE EAST BOUNDARY OF LOT 9 OF PIZZOLATTO SUBDIVISION, THENCE NORTHERLY AND WESTERLY ALONG THE EAST AND NORTH PROPERTY LINE OF LOTS 1 AND 9 AND ADAM R. JONES PROPERTY TO THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 13 AND THENCE NORTHERLY TO THE CENTER LINE OF BAYOU PLAQUEMINE BRULE, THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY TO THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 13, THENCE SOUTHERLY TO THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF PLOT IV OF THE IVY GUIDRY ESTATE, THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY, SOUTHERLY, NORTHEASTERLY, AND SOUTHERLY ALONG THE NORTH, WEST, AND SOUTH BOUNDARY OF PLOTS II, III, AND IV TO THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF BRAXTON I. MOODY, III, THENCE WESTERLY AND SOUTHERLY ALONG THE BOUNDARY OF BRAXTON I. MOODY, III, TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SHERWOOD DRIVE,

THENCE WESTERLY TO THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF WOODLAWN DRIVE, THENCE SOUTHERLY TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF PINE WOOD DRIVE, THENCE EASTERLY TO THE WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT J (HARVEY MATTE, ET UX.), THENCE SOUTHERLY TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF FOREST DRIVE, THENCE WESTERLY TO THE WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 10 OF BLOCK 1 OF MCBRIDE SUBDIVISION, THENCE SOUTHERLY TO THE CENTER LINE OF BLOCK 1 OF MCBRIDE SUBDIVISION, THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE CENTER LINE OF BLOCK 1 TO THE EAST BOUNDARY OF BLOCK 1, THENCE SOUTHERLY TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF MARIE STREET, THENCE EASTERLY TO THE EAST PROPERTY LINE OF LOT 7 OF BLOCK 2, THENCE SOUTHERLY TO THE CENTER LINE OF BLOCK 2 OF THE MCBRIDE SUBDIVISION, THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE CENTER LINE TO THE WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 19, THENCE SOUTHERLY TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 100 (EGAN ROAD), AND THENCE WESTERLY TO THE CENTER LINE OF BAYOU PLAQUEMINE, THENCE SOUTH TO THE SOUTH LINE RIGHT OF WAY OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 10, THE POINT OF BEGINNING, WHICH IS PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE SAID CITY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROPERTY SO ANNEXED BE ZONED C-3, HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, EXCEPT THOSE SPECIFIC RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES NAMED THEREIN, WHICH SHALL BE ZONED R1, RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE AREA SHALL BE A PART OF WARD ONE (1) OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; AND TO REDEFINE AND RESTATE THE BOUNDARY OF THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has received petitions for annexation from property owners and registered voters situated in Sections 29 and 43, Township 9 South, Range 1 East, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, North of Interstate 10, which are contiguous to the Corporate Limits of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the property is contiguous to the corporate boundaries of the City of Crowley and it is desirable to include those properties within the corporate boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has received the Certificate of the Assessor of Acadia Parish, Hon. Russell Benoit, certifying that the assessed value of the property within the area proposed to be annexed represented by the property owners who have signed petitions for annexation is \$673,690.00, and the assessed value of property represented by those owners who have not signed petitions is \$303,170.00, and; therefore, the assessed value of those property owners petitioning for annexation represents 69% of the total assessed value of property within the area proposed for annexation by the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, the city of Crowley has received a Certificate from the Registrar of Voters of Acadia Parish, Hon. Billie J. Meyer, certifying the total number of all registered voters with residential addresses as shown on voter records within the area proposed for annexation is EIGHTY-FIVE (85), and the total number of validated voter signatures on petitions for annexation whose voter records reflect residential addresses within the area proposed for annexation totals FIFTY-TWO (52), and the validated voters signatures on those petitions equals SIXTY-ONE AND SEVENTY-ONE/HUNDREDTHS PERCENT (61.71%) of the total registered voters within the area proposed to be annexed; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance having been duly introduced and notice of this ordinance and notice of public hearing having been published; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing having been held in accordance with law on the 16th day of July, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, at the request of the residents and property owners to be heard further on the matter a special meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Alderman City of Crowley was held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002, to consider the request of residents to expand the area to be annexed to include additional properties and lots lying West of Louisiana Highway 13; and

WHEREAS, after considering the comments received at the public hearing, both favorable and unfavorable, the objections of certain individual residents, considering the need to provide the area with waste water collection services to remove raw sewage from emptying into the storm culverts of Louisiana Highway 13, the commitment of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to replace the existing two-lane 65 year-old LA 13 Bayou Plaquemine Bridge (Long Bridge) with a new and modern four-lane divided bridge and to extend the existing four-lane highway North of Bayou Plaquemine, the enhancement of traffic flow and improvement of safety for citizens, especially students, school personnel, and teachers attending Crowley High School, the improvement of public health by removing

raw sewage from the storm drains and considering the petitions of the substantial majority of the registered voters living within the area and the assessed value represented by the property owners petitioning for annexation;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, in special session, duly convened, that:

SECTION 1: Under the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute 33:171 et seq. and the special enabling legislation under La. R.S. 33:172.3, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley have determined that the requirements and provisions of law for annexation have been met and that the annexation of the property is necessary to establish an area completely within the corporate limits of the City of Crowley; and a public hearing having been held in accordance with law on the 16th day of July, 2002 on the question of the adoption of the ordinance, the annexation of the area, the zoning requirements, utility services and the zoning of the areas to be annexed having been considered; and the Mayor and Board of Aldermen having met in special session on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002, to hear further comments and suggestions; after due consideration, the requirements of law having been complied with, the hereinafter described area or territory is hereby included within the corporate limits and the boundaries of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, which territory is hereby defined with certainty and precision as shown on the attached:

Exhibit A "LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF AREA NORTH OF I-10 TO BE ANNEXED"

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, in special session duly convened, that the above described property, be and the same is hereby zoned as C-3 Highway Commercial District, except Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the Guidry Subdivision, 1.5 acres fronting on Sherwood Drive situated in Section 29, Township 9 South, Range 1 East owned by Braxton I. Moody III., et ux., 1.0 acres more or less fronting on Pinewood Drive situated in Section 29, Township 9 South, Range 1 East, owned by Harvey J. Matte, et ux., 1 acre more or less fronting on Pinewood Drive situated in Section 29, Township 9 South, Range 1 East, owned by J. A. Puissegur, et al., be and the same are hereby zoned as R-1 Residential District; and the entire area be and the same is made part of Ward One of the City of Crowley.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Board of Alderman City of Crowley in special session duly convened that the corporate boundary of the City of Crowley be and the same is hereby redefined and the boundary is defined with certainty and precision as shown on the attached:

Exhibit B "CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, LOUISIANA AS AMENDED AND ADOPTED ACCORDING TO ORDINANCE NO. 1256"

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that in the event that any provision, part, word, section or article of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is declared to be unconstitutional, and invalidated by Court of Competent Jurisdiction then, in that event, only that particular provision, part, word, section or article shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid and the remaining provisions, parts, words, or sections shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED on this the 20th day of May, 2003 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, LA, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Vernon Martin, Mary T. Melancon, Steven C. Premeaux, and Ira Thomas

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Laurita D. Pete, and Kitty Valdetero

MAYOR

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ISABELLA L. DE LA HOUSSAYE,

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Alderman Martin offered a motion to accept the following insurance proposal as presented by Mark Landry representing Landry, Harris & Co. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

\$50,000 Self Insured Retention & \$200,000 Stop Loss on each of the listed items

Insurance coverage Premium

Property \$64,244

General Liability \$52,269

Auto \$48,585

\$17,399

Law Enforcement Liability \$28,992

Public Entity Mgmt. Liability \$ 2,738

Employment Practices Liability \$11,884

Inland Marine \$ 2,246

Crime \$ 1,868

Health Care-EMT & Nurses \$ 1,672

Employee Benefits \$ 378

Total \$232,275

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Istre, duly seconded by Alderwoman Melancon, and duly resolved and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD  
OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY,  
ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, APPROVING  
THE APPOINTMENT OF A DIRECTOR TO  
REPRESENT THE CITY OF CROWLEY ON  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON THE  
LOUISIANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES AND  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AS  
PROVIDED BY CHAPTER 10-D OF TITLE 33  
OF THE LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES OF  
1950, AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley became a participating political subdivision in Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority by resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen adopted on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1992; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley desires to continue its participation as a political subdivision in the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4548.4 of the Act, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana, desires to continue to be a member of the Authority and to approve the appointment of the Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor, to serve as Director of the Authority;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened that they do hereby ratify and confirm the resolution adopted on 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1992 to become a participating political subdivision and member of the Authority; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley that pursuant to the Act, they do hereby nominate and appoint Isabella L. de la Houssaye to serve as the Director of the Authority for a term of four (4) years from date hereof, be and the same is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley that this resolution shall take effect immediately and certified copy hereof shall be forwarded to the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority.

THIS DONE AND ADOPTED on this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2003, in special session duly convened, called pursuant to notice, by voice vote of the board of Aldermen at Crowley, Acadia Parish, LA.

HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

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ISABELLA L. DE LA

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Melancon and seconded by Alderman Istre the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on May 22, 2003 at 1:30 p.m.

Presented for Mayor signature on May 28, 2003 at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on May 29, 2003 at 9:00 a.m.