

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2006

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday the 12th day of September, 2006, at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Pro-Tem Buatt presided with the following Aldermen present: Nelson Arceneaux, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, Ira Thomas and Kitty Valdetero. All Aldermen were present.

Chief Gibson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Alderman Marceaux gave the invocation.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Pro Tem Buatt opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1347, the ordinance to “amend the fiscal 2006 budget” was read by title.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1347. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1347 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Pro Tem called the public hearing to a close.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderman Istre moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the August 8, 2006 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Valdetero moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Pro Tem presented the Sales Tax chart and User Fee chart that track the collection trend since fiscal 1992. The Recap of all Funds Report compares actual revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year 2006 to the budgeted revenues and expenditures of the same period.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alderwoman Melancon offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 5 to Le Talley Ho for the FY 2005-06 Street Repair Contract in the amount of \$29,115.90. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Melancon offered a motion to approve Change Order No. 2 to Le Talley Ho for the FY 2005-06 Street Repair Contract in the amount of \$38,703.00 and to provide the contractor an additional contract time of 90 calendar days. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Melancon offered a motion to accept the following bid and award a contract to Vermilion Shell & Limestone, Inc. for the 2006-2007 Annual Materials Contract – Proposal No. 1 – Items No. 1 and 2. Seconded by Alderwoman Pete and duly adopted.

PROPOSAL NO. 1

SURFACE COARSE AGGREGATES, FURNISH ONLY

F.O.B. City of Crowley	Pick-Up by City Vehicle	ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION & UNIT
37.50	28.00	1	Gray Limestone #610 (3000 lbs. per cu. yd.), truckload, per ton
38.04	28.50	2	Gray Limestone #57 (2600 lbs. per cu. yd.), truckload, per ton

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to accept the following bid and award a contract to Vermilion Shell & Limestone, Inc. for the 2006-2007 Annual Materials Contract – Proposal No. 2 – Items No. 1. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

PROPOSAL NO. 2

ASPHALT CONCRETE COLD MIX, FURNISH ONLY

F.O.B. City of Crowley	Pick-Up by City Vehicle	ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION & UNIT
84.95	-0-	1	Cold Mix, per ton

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to accept the following bid and award a contract to Vermilion Shell & Limestone, Inc. for the 2006-2007 Annual Materials Contract – Proposal No. 4 – Items No. 1 through and 23; and that the City and Contractor execute a simultaneous change order stipulating that, should the City issue a work order for a quantity less than the minimum order quantities shown in the specifications, a \$200 per delivery surcharge shall be added to the contract price, and stipulating that the City shall be responsible for unloading Concrete Arch Pipe upon delivery of same. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

PROPOSAL NO. 4

CONCRETE PIPE AND ARCH PIPE, FURNISH ONLY, 8' JOINTS
(PRICES SHALL INCLUDE COST OF FLEX, WATERTIGHT GASKETS)

F.O.B. City of Crowley	Pick-Up by City Vehicle	ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION & UNIT
15.15	15.00	1	15" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
18.60	18.50	2	18" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
28.00	27.75	3	24" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
39.70	38.90	4	30" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
56.00	55.85	5	36" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
68.20	-0-	6	42" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
86.25	-0-	7	48" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
127.75	-0-	8	54" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
152.90	-0-	9	60" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
179.20	-0-	10	72" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
210.00	-0-	11	84" Reinforced Concrete Pipe, per ln. ft.
25.15	-0-	12	11" x 18" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
27.50	-0-	13	13" x 22" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
38.35	-0-	14	18" x 28" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
45.10	-0-	15	23" x 36" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
60.90	-0-	16	27" x 44" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
81.10	-0-	17	31" x 51" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
101.50	-0-	18	36" x 58" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
123.60	-0-	19	40" x 65" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
149.50	-0-	20	45" x 73" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
210.00	-0-	21	54" x 88" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
292.00	-0-	22	62" x 102" (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.
420.00	-0-	23	77" x 122 (Nominally Reinforced Concrete Arch Pipe, per ln. ft.

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to accept the following bid and award a contract to Vermilion Shell & Limestone, Inc. for the 2006-2007 Annual Materials Contract – Proposal No. 7 – Items No. 1. Seconded by Alderman Valdetero and duly adopted.

PROPOSAL NO. 7

IMMEDIATE DELIVERY OF 1870 TONS OF GRAY LIMESTONE #610
FURNISHED AND DELIVERED ONLY

F.O.B. City of Crowley	Pick-Up by City Vehicle	ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION & UNIT
33.75	-0-	1	Immediate Delivery of 1870 Tons of Gray Limestone #610, (3,000 lbs. per cu. yd.), per ton

UTILITY:

Alderman Arceneaux offered a motion to authorize the City Clerk to re-advertise for bids to sell the LAS's scrap steel. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Arceneaux offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 6 to M. P. Dumesnil Construction for the North of I-10 Sewage Improvements contract in the amount of \$106,015.25. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Arceneaux offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 6 to Construction Pro. Inc. for the 2005-06 I/I Rehabilitation Program contract in the amount of \$55,608.19. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Arceneaux offered a motion to authorize Mader Engineering to proceed with Phase II Computerization of the Sewer Wye Records. Seconded by Alderwoman Pete and duly adopted.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Marceaux, duly seconded by Alderwoman Pete, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING AND ISSUING A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, the City Inspector has notified the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of a violation of the Building and Safety Codes of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, notice has been issued to the property owner, Paula Ruth Martin, by the City Inspector's Office for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements on Lot 6 of Block 52 of the West Crowley Addition, having a municipal address of 328 North Avenue D, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, no action has been taken and the City Inspector has requested a public hearing on the condemnation of the said property;

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 the Notice of Rule to Show Cause should be issued to Paula Ruth Martin for a public hearing to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 10th day of October, 2006 in regular session at 6:00 p.m. and that said notice be properly recorded and served upon the property owner pursuant to law.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened on this the 12th day of September, 2006, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING AND ISSUING A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, the City Inspector has notified the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of a violation of the Building and Safety Codes of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, notice has been issued to the property owners, Terry and Sharon Francis, by the City Inspector's Office for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements on Lot 4 of Block 9 of the West Side Addition of the City of Crowley, having a municipal address of 1706 J. D. Miller Drive, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, no action has been taken and the City Inspector has requested a public hearing on the condemnation of the said property;

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 the Notice of Rule to Show Cause should be issued to Terry and Sharon Francis for a public hearing to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 10th day of October, 2006 in regular session at 6:00 p.m. and that said notice be properly recorded and served upon the property owner pursuant to law.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened on this the 12th day of September, 2006, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to approve a new 2006 Class A – Retail Beer and a Class A - Liquor Permit for Roger Gothreaux, d/b/a Louie's Enterprises, LLC located at 322 South Eastern Avenue. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

ZONING & ANNEXATION:

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to accept the Planning Commission recommendation to approve the Preliminary and Final Plat for the Bobby Smith Subdivision Units I & II situated in Section 37, T 10 S, R 1 E, Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana contingent upon approval of the City Engineer and City Attorney. Seconded by Alderwoman Pete and duly adopted after the following roll call vote.

YEAS: Nelson Arceneaux, Dr. James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, Ira Thomas and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to accept the Planning Commission recommendation to approve the Preliminary and Final Plat for the Kim Gunniss Subdivision (728 West Northern Avenue) with the requested zoning variance, contingent upon the resolution of sewer service problems and the resolution of plat format issues for property designated as Tract A, Tract B, Tract C located in Section 32, T 9 S, R 1 E, City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to approve a trailer petition for Leonard Cormier located at Lot 14 & the East ½ of Lot 15, Block 6, Keller Addition Seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to accept the Planning Commission recommendation for approval of a side yard and rear yard set back variance for an addition and fence on Lots 7-8-9, Block 45, Original Crowley for Mr. & Mrs. Bill Broadhurst located at 524 E 4th Street. Seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval of a rear yard set back variance for an addition to a garage described as W ½ of Lot 1, Block 28, South Crowley Addition for Edith and Robert Gaspard located at 727 South Avenue H. Seconded by Alderwoman Pete and duly adopted.

PUBLIC BUILDING:

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve Change Order No. 2 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. contract for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. This change order is for the installation of bullet resistant glass in the amount of \$4,257.20 and to include 2 extra days of work and is to be referred to Revenue & Finance. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve Change Order No. 3 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. contract for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. This change order is to change door No. 4 in the amount of \$277.00 and is to be referred to Revenue & Finance. Seconded by Alderwoman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve Change Order No. 4 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. contract for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. This change order is for angle & steel plates with eye bolts in the amount of \$506.00 and is to be referred to Revenue & Finance. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve Change Order No. 5 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. contract for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. This change order is for the upgrade of flooring in the amount of \$4,353.90 and to include 5 extra days of work and is to be referred to Revenue & Finance. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve Change Order No. 6 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. contract for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. This change order is for additional electrical outlets in the amount of \$5,693.60 and to include 4 extra days of work and is to be referred to Revenue & Finance. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve Change Order No. 8 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. contract for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. This change order is to relocate the water line in the amount of \$2,296.36 and to include 2 extra days of work and is to be referred to Revenue & Finance. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to table Change Order Proposal No. 9 and 10 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. contract for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. Seconded by Alderwoman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to accept the proposal for duct work at the Central Fire Station from Libby Air Conditioning not to exceed \$500. In addition authorization is given to receive 3 quotes not to exceed \$11,500 for the removal of existing tile coping and replacement with 24 gauge pre-finished coping metal at the Central Fire Station. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted with Alderwoman Melancon abstaining.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 3 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. for renovations to the Criminal Justice Center in the amount of \$46,639.49. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 1 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. for the exterior repairs to the Enterprise Center in the amount of \$73,656. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to table the purchase and installation of a generator for City Hall. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve Change Order No. 7 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. contract for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. This change order is to reduce the cost to reconnect the generator from \$13,916.50 to \$3,080 and is contingent upon the receipt of documentation. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted

INSURANCE & PERSONNEL:

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to accept the resignation of Police Officer Reginald Richard effective September 1, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to accept resignation of Police Officer Tony Signorelli effective September 1, 2006. Seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to accept resignation of Police Officer Jacob Hanks effective September 1, 2006. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to hire Burton Gautreaux, II as Police Officer Provisional pending results of physical examination & drug screening effective September 15, 2006. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to hire Bryan Coudill as Police Officer Provisional pending results of physical examination & drug screening effective September 15, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to hire Robbie Bott as Firefighter Recruit pending results of physical examination & drug screening effective September 19, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to hire Kendall Monte as a Firefighter Recruit pending results of physical examination & drug screening effective September 18, 2006. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to hire Curt Pointkowsky as a Firefighter Recruit pending results of physical examination & drug screening effective September 17, 2006. Seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to promote Johnathan Habetz from Permanent Firefighter to Probational Firefighter First Class effective August 30, 2006. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Pete offered a motion to promote Dustin LaJack from Permanent Firefighter to Probationary Firefighter First Class effective August 30, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderman Pete offered a motion to promote Scott Mouton from Permanent Firefighter to Probationary Firefighter First Class effective August 30, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Melancon and duly adopted.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Alderman Istre offered a motion to approve a joint appraisal with the Acadia Parish Police Jury for an economic opportunity (2.4 acres of land adjacent to the Acadia Parish School Board office on North Parkerson Avenue). Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted with Aldermen Valdetero and Marceaux voting nay.

Alderman Istre offered a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the revised intergovernmental agreement once all parties have agreed (Acadia Parish Sheriff Department, Acadia Parish Police Jury and the City of Crowley) for 15 inmate spaces at the newly constructed Acadia Parish Correctional Facility. Seconded by Alderman Melancon and duly adopted.

RECREATION:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Premeaux, duly seconded by Alderman Melancon, and duly resolved and adopted with Alderman Marceaux voting nay.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH THE HEIRS OF A.B. DORE TO ACQUIRE APPROXIMATELY 8.5 ACRES SITUATED IN SECTION FIVE (5), TOWNSHIP TEN (10) SOUTH, RANGE ONE (1) EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA; TO PROVIDE FOR THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREOF; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has been offered the opportunity to acquire up to 8.5 acres of property situated along Mill Street adjacent to the City of Crowley Recreation Complex; and

WHEREAS, the heirs of A.B. Dore, Jr. have proposed to donate and sell portions of property in accordance with a written presentation dated August 8, 2006 which includes the offer to purchase approximately 6.5 acres for the price and sum of Thirteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty & No/100 (\$13,150.00) Dollars per acre with a donation of the appraised value above the purchase price and to donate approximately 2 acres subject to utility rights-of-way extras subject to land preparation costs, if any; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has engaged Louisiana Land Appraisal Services to provide an appraisal of the property for market value purposes and has received a site report from the City Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has engaged Mader Engineering, Inc. to provide a plat of survey of the property to determine the total acreage, the boundaries, to identify any servitudes, rights-of-way and other encroachments on the property and to provide a legal description of the property; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley desire to accept the offer subject to conditions and stipulations and authorize a Purchase Agreement subject to the appraisal of the property and the plat of survey to determine the acreage and the legal description;

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 authorize, empower and direct the said Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute a Purchase Agreement and/or Act of Donation authorizing the purchase of up to 8.5 acres of land situated in Section Five (5), Township Ten (10) South, Range One (1) East, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, bounded on the north by Mill Street, on the east by other properties of the City of Crowley, on the south by the center line of Bayou Blanc and on the west by other properties of A.B. Dore, III, et al, subject to plat of survey and legal description to be substituted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purchase price of the property shall be determined by the Louisiana Land Appraisal Services, Ltd. and that the appraised value be stated for the purpose of donation subject to a credit for the sale price of Thirteen Thousand One Hundred Fifty & No/100 (\$13,150.00) Dollars per acre for approximately 6.5 acres with the remaining value of the property to be donated, including the adjoining 2 acres which is presently subject to utility rights-of-way and situated within the confines of Bayou Blanc subject to plat of survey to determine the amount of acreage, the legal description, boundaries, servitudes, rights-of-way and other encroachments subject to the requirements of good and merchantable title and all other usual terms and conditions as may be contained in Purchase Agreements and authorizing the acceptance of the remaining value as a donation to the City of Crowley; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the said Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor, be and she is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents as may be necessary and proper under circumstances in her sole discretion to conclude said transaction.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 12th day of September, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Premeaux, duly seconded by Alderman Thomas, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ENGAGEMENT OF ENGINEERING SERVICES TO PREPARE A PLAT OF SURVEY OF APPROXIMATELY 8.5 ACRES SITUATED IN SECTION FIVE (5), TOWNSHIP TEN (10) SOUTH, RANGE ONE (1) EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has been offered the opportunity to acquire approximately 8.5 acres of property situated in Section Five (5), Township Ten (10) South, Range One (1) East, Acadia Parish, Louisiana from the heirs of A.B. Dore, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, a legal description of the property and a plat of survey showing the total acreage and boundaries of the property, identifying any servitudes, rights-of-way and other encroachments is necessary; and

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 authorize, empower and direct the said Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to engage the services of Mader Engineering, Inc. to prepare a plat of survey together with all servitudes, rights-of-way and encroachments thereon and to identify the boundaries and provide a legal description of be used for the purchase and/or donation of property from the heirs of A.B. Dore, Jr. at the standard rates provided for such services.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 12th day of September, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

REVENUE & FINANCES:

Alderwoman Valdetero offered a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the engagement letter to contract with Broussard, Poche' Lewis & Breaux for audit services for the year ending August 31, 2006. Seconded by Alderwoman Pete and duly adopted.

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

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF
ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY,
ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING
THE ADOPTION OF THE LOUISIANA
COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR AUDIT
ENGAGEMENTS OF GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2006

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley having received notice from the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, that the Compliance Questionnaire must be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Compliance Questionnaire is a required part of a financial audit of Louisiana governmental units and quasi-public; and

WHEREAS, the legal matters contained in the questionnaire parallel those matters contained in the *Laws Affecting Louisiana Government*; and

WHEREAS, the completed Compliance Questionnaire must be given to the auditors at the beginning of the audit and tested for accuracy of the responses in the questionnaire during the course of the audit;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, in regular session, duly convened, that they do hereby adopt the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire, dated September 12, 2006 to Broussard, Poche, Lewis & Breaux, in connection with the audit of the financial statements for the year ending August 31, 2006, which questionnaire is attached to this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they do hereby authorize the execution thereof by the Honorable Judy Istre, City Clerk, Margaret Young, Administrative Assistant and the Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 12th of September, 2006 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Alderman Valdetero offered a motion to appropriate funds from General Fund's Fund Balance to approve Change Order No. 2 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. contract for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. This change order is for the installation of bullet resistant window in the amount of \$4,257.20 and to include 2 extra days of work. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LA. INTRODUCING A PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SAME.

WHEREAS, an ordinance has been proposed to be adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance must be introduced by its title; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing must be held prior to its adoption; and

WHEREAS, the title of the proposed ordinance must be published in the official journal and the notice shall provide for the time and place where the Board will consider its adoption.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, that the following ordinance be and it is hereby introduced for consideration at the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2007; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, that the City Clerk shall publish the following notice in the Crowley Post Signal:

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley shall meet on the 10th day of October 2006 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, LA, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2007; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

Copies of the proposed Ordinance are available for a nominal fee in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Crowley, LA.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 12th day of September, 2006.

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 12th day of September, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

RESOLUTIONS:

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

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ACADIA PARISH POLICE JURY TO PROVIDE FIFTEEN (15) BED SPACES FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO BE USED BY THE ACADIA PARISH SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE INCARCERATION OF PRE-TRIAL DETAINEES OR INMATES CHARGED AND/OR CONVICTED OF VIOLATIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department/Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District and the City of Crowley is in need of additional space for pre-trial detainees and/or inmates convicted of violations of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department/Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District has agreed to provide management and custodial services to the City of Crowley for housing pre-trial detainees and/or convicted inmates; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary the Acadia Parish Police Jury have sufficient funds to provide for the construction and maintenance of a new detention facility and has offered to reserve fifteen (15) bed spaces for the housing of pre-trial detainees and/or convicted inmates for the sum of Eight & No/100 (\$8.00) Dollars per day per detainee; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Agreement shall become effective upon completion and occupancy of the new Acadia Parish Correctional Facility which is expected to be complete about January, 2007;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley in regular session duly convened that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Acadia Parish Policy Jury to reserve and set aside fifteen (15) bed spaces in the new Acadia Parish Correctional Facility for the housing of pre-trial detainees and/or convicted inmates of the City of Crowley by the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department/Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District for the sum of Eight & No/100 (\$8.00) Dollars per day per detainee which amount shall be paid regardless of whether the space is occupied; said Agreement to be for a term of twenty (20) years and shall become effective upon completion and occupancy of the new Acadia Parish Correctional Facility; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the said Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor, be and she is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents as may be necessary and proper under circumstances in her sole discretion to conclude said transaction.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 12th day of September, 2006.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

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

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ACADIA PARISH SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND ACADIA PARISH LAW ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT TO PROVIDE ALL MANAGEMENT AND RELATED CORRECTION SERVICES FOR THE INCARCERATION OF FIFTEEN (15) PRE-TRIAL DETAINEES OR INMATES CHARGED AND/OR CONVICTED OF VIOLATIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley is in need of additional space for pre-trial detainees and/or inmates convicted of violations of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District operates the Acadia Parish Detention Center located in the City of Crowley which houses inmates for the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department and other law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department and the Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District have agreed to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Crowley for a term of twenty (20) years wherein the City of Crowley is provided fifteen (15) bed spaces for the incarceration of fifteen (15) pre-trial detainees and/or convicted inmates for the sum of Eight & No/100 (\$8.00) Dollars per day per space which shall be paid regardless of the number of inmates detained; and

WHEREAS, an additional charge of Eight & No/100 (\$8.00) Dollars per day per pre-trial detainee and/or convicted inmate may be imposed by the Sheriff if the number of persons detained exceeds fifteen (15) which charge shall be paid by the close of regular business hours of the day following notice that the capacity has been exceeded by the Sheriff with said charge being imposed until the number of persons detained is reduced to fifteen (15) or less; and

WHEREAS, the said charges imposed shall include the care and feeding of pre-trial detainees and/or inmates convicted of the City of Crowley, transportation to and from medical facilities for medical treatment and all other related services, including all in-house medications and medical care and services routinely provided by the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department not to exceed Sixty & No/100 (\$60.00) per month which shall then be paid for by the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, the said Intergovernmental Agreement shall become effective upon the completion and occupancy of the new Acadia Parish Correctional Facility which is expected to be complete about January, 2007;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley in regular session duly convened that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department and the Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District to provide all management and correctional services for the incarceration of fifteen (15) pre-trial detainees and/or convicted inmates for a sum of Eight & No/100 (\$8.00) Dollars per day per detainee whether actually occupied; the Sheriff may impose an additional charge of Eight & No/100 (\$8.00) per day for each inmate in excess of fifteen (15) which shall be paid by the close of regular business hours of the day following notice that the capacity has been exceeded by the Sheriff with said charge being imposed until the number of persons detained is reduced to fifteen (15) or less; said sum shall include the care and feeding of pre-trial detainees and/or inmates convicted of the City of Crowley, in-house medication and medical care, transportation to and from medical facilities for medical treatment and all other related services not to exceed Sixty & No/100 (\$60.00) Dollars per month, medical care in excess of Sixty & No/100 (\$60.00) Dollars per month shall be paid for by the City of Crowley.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the said Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor, be and she is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents as may be necessary and proper under circumstances in her sole discretion to conclude said transaction.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 12th day of September, 2006.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

ORDINANCES:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1347

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2005 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2006; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the proposed Amended Operating Budgets and the accompanying budget ordinance have been submitted to this Board of Aldermen for review and consideration; and

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

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing by the City of Crowley on the proposed Amended Operating Budgets and notice of the availability of the proposed amended budgets for review have been timely published in the official journal, the Crowley Post Signal; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing having been held in accordance with the law on the 12th day of September, 2006 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall on the proposed Amended Operating Budgets have now been reviewed and considered; now.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in Regular Session, duly convened on the 12th day of September, 2006 that the following Amended Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized.

Account Name	Amendment 2005-2006	Amended 2005-2006 Budget
General Fund		
Revenue – Other Revenue	(68,400)	1,270,955
Police – Capital Outlay Expense	23,100	123,796
Fire – Salary & Fringe Expense	(90,000)	1,250,800
Code – Salary & Fringe Expense	(25,000)	216,535
Street - Capital Outlays	(163,000)	2,227,350
1 & 1/2 Cent Sales Tax		
Other Revenues	164,250	3,834,250
Transfer & Appropriation	100,000	3,598,600
½ Cent Sales Tax Salary		
Other Revenues	75,915	1,283,915
Operational Expense	1,990	24,610
½ Cent Sales Tax Street		
Other Revenues	59,500	1,309,500
Operational Expense	1,990	21,990
LCDBG		
Grant & Loans	(384,800)	14,907
Other Revenue	(225,000)	0
Operational Expense	14,900	14,900
Capital Outlay Expense	(624,707)	0
Utility Fund - Sewage		
Utility Admin. - Other Expense	(230,048)	(213,523)
Transfer & Appropriation	100,000	1,361,500
Employee Benefit Plan Budget		
Other Revenue	71,450	926,675
Workers Compensation		
Operational Expense	(10,800)	93,800
Other Expense	(5,000)	58,945
Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund 1997 Street		
Other Expense	(11,650)	4,350

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the amounts shall be available for expenditures only to the extent and only as included within the amended 2005-2006 fiscal budget, however nothing shall be construed to prohibit the Governing Authority from making amendments to the budget.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the Mayor of the City of Crowley, Isabella L. de la Houssaye, is hereby authorized and in her sole discretion, to make such changes within the various budget classifications as she may deem necessary.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance should be held invalid by a court of competent

jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance and do hereby declare the provisions hereof, to be severable, then in that event, only that particular provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid and the remaining provisions, parts, words, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases will not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

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

THUS AMENDED, APPROVED, ADOPTED AND FINALIZED on this the 12th day of September, 2006 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Nelson Arceneaux, Dr. James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, Ira Thomas and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Melancon and seconded by Alderman Thomas the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

JAMES M. BUATT, Mayor Pro-Tem Presided

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor Pro Tem on September 14, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.
Presented for Mayor Pro Tem's signature on September , 2006 at 3:30 p.m.
Mayor Pro Tem signed & returned to City Clerk on September , 2006 at 11:30 a.m.