

CITY OF CROWLEY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 10, 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006, at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the City Hall, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

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

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

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:**

Alderman Istre offered a motion to consider administrative cost and construction cost for the FY 2006-2007 LCDBG Program. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to consider an application for Rhone Village Street Improvements under the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

**PRESENTATION:**

Mr. Mark Landry representing Landry Harris & Co. came before the assembly and presented an insurance proposal for self funded workers' compensation coverage.

Alderman Istre offered a motion to accept the Worker's Compensation policy from Safety National Casualty Corporation from January 1, 2006 to January 1, 2007 with an annual fixed cost of \$64,019 as recommended by Mr. Mark Landry. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor de la Houssaye opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1329, the ordinance to designate Labelle and Eastpark Drive as a Four Way Stop Intersection was read by title.

Mayor de la Houssaye asked for opponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1329. A third and final call was made with no one from the audience coming forward to speak.

The call for proponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1328 was made and there were no comments from the audience after the third and final call.

Mayor de la Houssaye called the public hearing to a close.

Mayor de la Houssaye opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1330, the ordinance to amend the fiscal 2006 budget was read by title.

Mayor de la Houssaye asked for opponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1330. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for proponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1330 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor de la Houssaye called the public hearing to a close.

**READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:**

Alderman Martin moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2005 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly adopted.

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

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor de la Houssaye presented the User Fee chart that tracks 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 authorize the advertisement for bids for the E. Andrus/W. Andrus LCDBG Street Improvements Project contingent upon authorization by the LCDBG office. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

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

A RESOLUTION COMMITTING THE CITY TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND TO TEN PERCENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS UNDER THE FY 2006-2007 LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley deems it necessary and proper to submit an application for funding under the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant; and

WHEREAS, this federal grant program is very competitive with a detailed numerical rating and ranking system; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the base rating factors and points, one bonus point will be assigned to those applicants who commit local funds to pay the administrative costs associated with the project, should the project be funded; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the base rating factors and points, one bonus point will be assigned to those applicants who commit local funds to pay for ten percent of construction costs associated with the project, should the project be funded:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley that the City hereby commits local funds in the approximate amount of \$49,519 to pay for the administrative consulting services fees as well as other administrative costs associated with the project and to pay for ten percent of construction costs for a street improvement project under the FY 2006-2007 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was duly adopted.

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF  
ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY  
AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR RHONE  
VILLAGE STREET IMPROVEMENTS UNDER THE  
FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 LOUISIANA COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has determined that it is reasonable and necessary to submit an application for funding under the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant program; and

WHEREAS, after a public hearing, comments and questions were taken for the purpose of assessing the community's needs and developing a consensus; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Alderman having determined that the Rhone Village Street Improvements will be most beneficial and cost effective for the citizens of the City of Crowley;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Crowley that they do hereby authorize an application to be made to the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program under the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 funding period for the Rhone Village Street Improvements, within the City of Crowley.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was duly adopted.

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Melancon and seconded by Alderman Thomas to purchase two vehicles for the Street Department in the amount of \$15,176 each and refer to Revenue and Finance. Alderman Marceaux's substitute motion to purchase one vehicle at this time and the second at budget time for the Street Department failed for lack of a second. The main motion carried with Alderman Marceaux voting nay.

Alderwoman Melancon offered a motion to advertise for bids for a small bucket truck for the Street Department. Seconded by Alderwoman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete spoke on improving trash pick-up within the city by BFI.

**UTILITY:**

Alderman Martin offered a motion to accept the recommendation of Mader Engineering, Inc. to award a contract to the low bidder, M. P. Dumesnil Construction Co., Inc. for the North of I-10 Sewerage Extension Project in the sum total of \$2,746,426.21 (Base Bid + Alternates 1, 2 and 3) pending assurance of the availability of sufficient funds from the State Revolving Fund, LCDA and Fund Balance. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderman Martin offered a motion to accept the recommendation of Mader Engineering, Inc. and award a contract to the low bidder, Construction Pro, Inc. for the I/I Rehabilitation Program FY 2005-06 Project in the sum total of \$269,516.00 for the Base Bid and all three Additive Alternatives. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Alderman Istre offered a motion to authorize the Mayor, Chief of Police and City Attorney, after due diligence, to enter into intergovernmental agreements with the Acadia Parish Police Jury, Acadia Parish Sheriff and Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District to lease to the city 15 inmate spaces at the new Acadia Parish Correctional Facility. Seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to amend the budget to increase the line item of School and Conventions in the Fire Department by an additional \$6,000 and refer to Revenue & Finance. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to amend the budget to add a line item for Gear and Equipment in the Fire Department in the amount of \$5,000. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to approve a renewal for the year 2006 Class B Retail Package Beer Permit and Class B Retail Package Liquor Permit for Kenneth R. Cook, d/b/a South Crowley Pantry located at 904 South Parkerson Avenue. Seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to approve a renewal for the year 2006 of a Class B Package Beer Permit for Mark Brown, d/b/a Rice City Chevron located at 530 North Eastern Avenue. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to table the request to relocate the Relay for Life activity to Parkerson Avenue. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to authorize the Chief of Police, City Attorney and the City Inspector to notify in writing Troy Car Care about two properties located at Avenue E and Second Street, stipulating that they comply with city ordinance on cleaning up the grounds. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Martin offered a motion to table the application for a new application for Class B – Retail Package Beer Permit for Chris Allen d/b/a Chris Allen Barber Service located at 224 North Avenue A contingent upon research by Chief Gibson. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

**ZONING & ANNEXATION:**

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, 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 the time and place where the Board will consider its adoption;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, 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 AND ENLARGING THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, DEFINING THE BOUNDARY OF A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 1.785 ACRES SITUATED IN NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, BEING BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY LINE OF SECTION 34, ON THE SOUTH AND EAST BY DR. JOHN BURGIN ET AL AND ON THE WEST BY THE EASTERN RIGHT OF WAY OF TOWER ROAD (LOUISIANA STATE HIGHWAY 1111 SPUR), WHICH SHALL BE ZONED "COMMERCIAL 3, C-3"; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE AREA SHALL BE A PART OF WARD 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 APPEAL 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND ENLARGING THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, DEFINING THE BOUNDARY OF A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 1.785 ACRES SITUATED IN NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, BEING BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY LINE OF SECTION 34, ON THE SOUTH AND EAST BY DR. JOHN BURGIN ET AL AND ON THE WEST BY THE EASTERN RIGHT OF WAY OF TOWER ROAD (LOUISIANA STATE HIGHWAY 1111 SPUR), WHICH SHALL BE ZONED "COMMERCIAL 3, C-3"; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE AREA SHALL BE A PART OF WARD 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 APPEAL 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, Louisiana.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

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THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to change the zoning classification for 1.785 acre tract of land situated in the northwest quarter of Section 34, T 9 S- R 1 E, Acadia Parish, Louisiana and commencing and beginning at a point by the intersection of the eastern right of the way line of Tower Road (Louisiana State Highway 1111 Spur) and the northern boundary line of Section 34, thence proceeding S 89 degrees 47' 00" E along the northern boundary line of Section 34 a distance of 220.96 feet to a point and corner; thence proceeding S 00 degrees 14' 12" W, a distance of 349.88 feet to a point and corner monumented by a found 3/8" iron rod; thence proceeding N 89 degrees 41' 18" W a distance of 223.82 feet to a point and corner on the eastern right of way line of Tower Road (Louisiana State Highway 1111 Spur) monumented by a found 5/8" iron rod; thence proceeding N 00 degrees 42' 18" E along the eastern right of way line of Tower Road (Louisiana State Highway 1111 Spur) a distance of 349.51 feet to the point of beginning; being bounded on the North by the northern boundary line of Section 34, on the South and East by Dr. John Burgin et. al. and on the West by the eastern right of way of Tower Road (Louisiana State Highway 1111 Spur) property from Residential 1 (R-1) to Commercial 3 (C-3). Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to accept the plat of the proposed subdivision, 1.785 acre tract of land situated in the northwest quarter of Section 34, T 9 S- R 1 E, Acadia Parish, Louisiana and commencing and beginning at a point by the intersection of the eastern right of the way line of Tower Road (Louisiana State Highway 1111 Spur) and the northern boundary line of Section 34, thence proceeding S 89 degrees 47' 00" E along the northern boundary line of Section 34 a distance of 220.96 feet to a point and corner; thence proceeding S 00 degrees 14' 12" W, a distance of 349.88 feet to a point and corner monumented by a found 3/8" iron rod; thence proceeding N 89 degrees 41' 18" W a distance of 223.82 feet to a point and corner on the eastern right of way line of Tower Road (Louisiana State Highway 1111 Spur) monumented by a found 5/8" iron rod; thence proceeding N 00 degrees 42' 18" E along the eastern right of way line of Tower Road (Louisiana State Highway 1111 Spur) a distance of 349.51 feet to the point of beginning; being bounded on the North by the northern boundary line of Section 34, on the South and East by Dr. John Burgin et. al. and on the West by the eastern right of way of Tower Road (Louisiana State Highway 1111 Spur) property pending the review and approval of the city engineer. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to authorize the expenditure of up to \$7,000.00 in city funds to pay the cost of betterment for the new developer to install an 8" sewer main at maximum depth from the existing sewer manhole at the northeast corner of the intersection of Oddfellows Road and Tower Road for future sewerage service to the area near the new development. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

**PUBLIC BUILDING:**

Alderman Premeaux offered a motion to accept the certificate of substantial completion for the Ford Building Restoration Phase II located at 425 North Parkerson Avenue. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderman Premeaux offered a motion to approve Partial Payment Request No. 6 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. for the Ford Building Restoration Phase II in the amount of \$209,108. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

**INSURANCE & PERSONNEL:**

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to confirm Dustin LaJack to Permanent Firefighter effective January 12, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to hire Lucas Young as Probational Firefighter effective January 12, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

**REVENUE & FINANCES:**

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to amend the budget in the line item of School and Conventions in the Fire Department for an additional \$6,000. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to amend the budget to add a line item for Gear and Equipment in the Fire Department in the amount of \$5,000. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to purchase two vehicles for the Street Department in the amount of \$15,176 each. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted with Alderman Marceaux voting nay.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Buatt, 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, 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, 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.

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 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 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, 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.

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 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

**ORDINANCES:**

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderwoman Melancon, duly seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1329

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 14-23(c) OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA BY ADDING THERETO SUBSECTION (24) TO DESIGNATE LABELLE AND EASTPARK DRIVE AS A FOUR WAY STOP INTERSECTION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO.

WHEREAS, this ordinance has 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that LaBelle and Eastpark Drive be designated a four way stop intersection and added to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, IN REGULAR SESSION DULY CONVENED, THAT:

SECTION 1: That Section 14-23(c) be amended and re-enacted to add LaBelle and Eastpark Drive as a four way stop intersection to read as follows:

Section 14-23(c)

(24): LABELLE AND EASTPARK DRIVE

SECTION 2: 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.

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Dr. James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Vernon Martin, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, and Steven C. Premeaux

NAYS: Ira Thomas

ABSENT: Kitty Valdetero

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderman Marceaux, duly seconded by Alderman Martin and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1330

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 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006 that the following Amended Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized.

Account Name	Current Proposed Amendment	Amended Budget 2005-2006
Youth Recreation Operation		
Capital Outlay		
Capital Outlay - Hensgens	10,500	50,000

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 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

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

NAYS:       None

ABSENT:     Kitty Valdetero

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Buatt and seconded by Alderwoman Melancon the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 3:30 p.m.

Presented for Mayor's signature on January 24, 2006 at 11:30 a.m.

Mayor Signed & returned to City Clerk on January 24, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.