

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 10, 2012

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 10th day of April, 2012 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Greg A. Jones presided with the following Aldermen present: Bryan Borill, J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman Jr., Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Steven Premeaux and Kitty Valdetero. Alderwoman Laurita Pete was absent.

Alderman Elliot Doré led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Mayor Greg Jones gave the invocation.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on Rule to Show Cause for Condemnation of Property situated on Lot 3 and the North 50' of Lot 9 of Block 58 of the West Crowley Subdivision of the City of Crowley, having a municipal address of 414 North Avenue A, Crowley, Louisiana, belonging to Lee V. Blount Estate et al c/o David Bernard Sr.

City Inspector, Danny Hebert said he found the building was not in compliance with building codes and should be demolished. Mr. Gordon Blount, representative of the owners of the property, stating that they were in agreement with the demolition of the property.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing to a close.

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on Rule to Show Cause for Condemnation of Property situated on Lot 14 of Block 27 of the West Crowley Subdivision of the City of Crowley, having a municipal address of 617 West 2nd Street, Crowley, Louisiana, belonging to Louise Jolivette.

The owners of this property could not be located by the address on file at the Acadia Parish Assessor's office. Alderman Vernon Martin offered a motion to suspend this hearing and continue at the time when an attorney is appointed. Seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré and duly adopted.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing to a close.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderman Elliot Doré moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the March 13th, 2012 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and duly adopted.

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

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Greg A. Jones presented the Sales Tax chart and User Fee chart that track the collection trend.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderwoman Mary Melancon
Vice-Chairperson – Alderwoman Laurita Pete
Members – Aldermen Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Jr. and Vernon Martin

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to take under advisement bids for the “Pavement Reconstruction on Cedar Street at East and West Andrus Streets” project. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to authorize the mayor to enter into a contract with CEC Inc. for the Avenue G at North Ditch Bridge Repair project in the amount of \$68,000.00. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Lyle Fogleman, Jr.
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Bryan Borill
Members – Aldermen Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon and Steven Premeaux

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to table any actions on property belonging to Louise Jolivette Estate, situated on Lot 14 of Block 27 of the West Crowley Subdivision , having a municipal address of 617 West 2nd Street, until a public hearing is held. Motion carried.

RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman Steven Premeaux
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman J. Elliot Doré
Members – Aldermen Lyle Fogleman, Jr., Mary Melancon and Laurita Pete

A motion was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to approve Partial Payment No. 3 to Trans Texas Tennis, Ltd. for the Gladly Trahan Tennis Center project in the amount of \$172,935.90. Motion carried.

REVENUE & FINANCES COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderman J. Elliot Doré
Vice-Chairperson – Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero
Members – Aldermen Jeff Doré, Laurita Pete, and Steven Premeaux

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to approve the renewal of the following health and medical insurance proposal effective May 1, 2012 to April 30, 2013 as presented by Mark Landry of Landry, Harris and Company. Motion carried.

Third Party Administrator. Meritain Health
Reinsurer. HM Insurance
Contract Type (MED/RX). 48/12
Specific Deductible. \$60,000
Aggregating Specific Deductible \$55,000
Census
Employees 133

Families.11
 Annual Fixed Cost \$307,234.44
 Change the wrap network from Beach Street to Health Smart
 at renewal with no change to the current fee

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to accept for review the two options on refunding of the sewer revenue bonds as presented by Foley & Judel. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to engage Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company for auditing services for the City of Crowley’s year ending August 31, 2012. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to appropriate \$100,000 from General Fund – Fund Balance to Employee Benefit Fund for payment of claims, fees, etc ... for the city’s major medical insurance. Alderman Bryan Borill moved to amend the motion to change the appropriation to \$200,000, seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin. The main motion as amended was voted on and passed.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to re-schedule the July Committee meetings from July 4th and 5th, 2012 to June 29th and 30th, 2012. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, 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 TO REPEAL SUBSECTION (e) OF SECTION 44 OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO PROHIBIT PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF NORTH AVENUE G NORTH OF EAST HUTCHINSON AVENUE FOR A DISTANCE OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150’) FEET AND TO AMEND AND REENACT SECTION 44 OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO RENUMBER ALL SUBSEQUENT SUBSECTIONS ACCORDINGLY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO

BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE OR PERTAINING THERETO.

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 8th day of May, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SUBSECTION (e) OF SECTION 44 OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO PROHIBIT PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF NORTH AVENUE G NORTH OF EAST HUTCHINSON AVENUE FOR A DISTANCE OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150') FEET AND TO AMEND AND REENACT SECTION 44 OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO RENUMBER ALL SUBSEQUENT SUBSECTIONS ACCORDINGLY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE OR PERTAINING THERETO.

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 10th day of April, 2012.

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 10th day of April, 2012, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, duly seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin, 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

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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 TO AMEND AND RENACT THE PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 1431 INCLUDING SECTION 11.151 DEFINITIONS OF ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 11 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO DEFINE EVENTS AND THE LENGTH OF TIME OR DURATION THEREOF NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY (30) CONTINUOUS DAYS FROM THE DESIGNATED DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF OFFERING FOR SALE OR SOLICITATION FOR SALES TO THE LAST DATE DESIGNATED FOR SUCH TRANSACTIONS; TO AMEND SECTIONS 11.154 AND 11.155 REQUIRING DESIGNATION OF THE COMMENCEMENT AND DURATION OF EACH PERMITTED EVENT; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE OR PERTAINING THERETO.

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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 10th day of April, 2012.

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 11th day of April, 2012, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, duly seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING THE CONDEMNATION OF IMPROVEMENTS SITUATED ON LOT 3 AND THE NORTH 50' OF LOT 9 OF BLOCK 58 OF THE WEST CROWLEY SUBDIVISION OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY

WHEREAS, a Condemnation Hearing was held regarding the above described property on the 10th day of January, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Notice of said Condemnation Hearing date was mailed and received by the property owner as shown by U. S. Postal Return Receipt dated March 16, 2012; and

WHEN AFTER considering the evidence presented, the testimony of all parties interested and after due consideration of the circumstances and condition of the building and the report of the City Inspector;

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 order the building and/or structure situated on Lot 3 and the North 50' of Lot 9 of Block 58 of West Crowley Subdivision of the City of Crowley, being the property of Lee V. Blount Estate et al, having a municipal address of 414 North Avenue A, Crowley, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby condemned; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the said building and/or structure be brought up to building code requirements or demolished and/or removed together with all trash and debris within sixty (60) days from the date of receipt of notice which may be extended in the event the property owner demonstrates a good faith effort to complete demolition and/or removal but has been unable to do so through no fault of his own; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the owner shall obtain a building permit after complying with the requirements of La. R. S. 33:4761, et seq.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 10th day of April, 2012 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION FOR CONSENT AND AUTHORITY TO ISSUE, SELL AND DELIVER NOT EXCEEDING \$3,620,000 OF SEWER REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ALL IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR BY CHAPTER 14-A OF TITLE 39 OF THE LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES OF 1950, AS AMENDED, AND OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT AND EMPLOYMENT OF BOND COUNSEL AND FINANCIAL ADVISOR; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, Chapter 14-A of Title 39 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (the "Act"), authorizes political subdivisions to issue refunding bonds for the purpose of refunding outstanding securities in an amount to effectuate the purposes for which said refunding bonds are being issued, and to secure said refunding bonds in the manner provided by the governing authority of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide debt service reductions, the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), acting through its governing authority, the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana, desires to refund the outstanding maturities of its Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 1995A; Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2000; and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2006 (collectively, the "Refunded Bonds"), pursuant to the Act and other constitutional and statutory authority, through the issuance of its refunding bonds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, and subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, the Issuer desires to accomplish the refunding of the Refunded Bonds through the issuance of not exceeding \$3,620,000 of its Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds (the "Refunding Bonds"), to be payable from and secured solely by the revenues of the Issuer's sewer system (the "System"), after payment of all reasonable and necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the System; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the redemption of the Refunded Bonds, the Issuer will have no outstanding bonds or other obligations of any kind or nature payable from or enjoying a lien on the revenues of the System herein pledged; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to make formal application to the State Bond Commission for approval of the Refunding Bonds, and further to employ special bond counsel and financial advisors in connection therewith;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), that:

SECTION 1. Preliminary Approval of Refunding Bonds. Preliminary approval is given to the issuance of not exceeding \$3,620,000 of Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds of the Issuer (the "Refunding Bonds"), to bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding three percent (3%) per annum, to mature no later than September 1, 2028, to be sold at a price of not less than 95% of the par value thereof, all in the manner provided for by Chapter 14-A of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, for the purpose of refunding all or a portion of the Refunded Bonds and paying the costs of issuance of the Refunding Bonds, which Refunding Bonds

shall be payable from and secured solely by the revenues of the Issuer's sewer system (the "System"), after payment of all reasonable and necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the System.

SECTION 2. Employment of Bond Counsel. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special counsel in connection with the issuance of the Refunding Bonds, and accordingly, Foley & Judell, L.L.P., of New Orleans, Louisiana, as Bond Counsel, is hereby employed to do and perform work of a traditional legal nature as bond counsel with respect to the issuance and sale of said Bonds. Said Bond Counsel shall prepare and submit to this Governing Authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of such Refunding Bonds, shall counsel and advise this Governing Authority as to the issuance thereof and shall furnish its opinions covering the legality of the issuance of the Refunding Bonds. The fee of Bond Counsel for each series of said bonds shall be fixed at a sum not exceeding the fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee guidelines for such bond counsel work in connection with the issuance of each such series of general obligation bonds and based on the amount of said bonds actually issued, sold, delivered and paid for, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses, said fees to be contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery of said bonds. A certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his written approval of said employment and of the fees herein designated, and the City Clerk is hereby empowered and directed to provide for payment of the work herein specified upon completion and under the conditions herein enumerated.

SECTION 3. Appointment of Financial Advisor. Government Consultants, Inc., of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, is hereby appointed as financial advisor in connection with issuing all or any portion of the Bonds, any compensation to be subsequently approved by the Issuer and to be paid from the proceeds of the Bonds and contingent upon the issuance of the Bonds; provided that no compensation shall be due to said financial advisor unless the Bonds are sold and delivered.

SECTION 4. State Bond Commission. Application is hereby made to the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for approval of the issuance and sale of the Refunding Bonds and for consent and authority to proceed with the issuance and sale of the Refunding Bonds as provided above, and Bond Counsel is directed to make application to the State Bond Commission in accordance with the foregoing on behalf of the Issuer. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to said State Bond Commission by the Issuer's bond counsel, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application. By virtue of applicant/issuer=s application for acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission=s approval resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval is expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the "State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.," adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing and other matter subject to the approval, including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap or other product or enhancement covered thereby.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Bryan Borill, J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Steven Premeaux and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Laurita Pete

And the resolution was declared adopted, on this, the 10th day of April, 2012.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ACCEPTING THE LOW BID OF FERRARA FIRE APPARATUS, INCORPORATED FOR THE PURCHASE OF A REPLACEMENT BREATHING AIR MODULE COMPRESSOR PACAKAGE, AWARDING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX & NO/100 (\$36,166.00) DOLLARS AND THE EXECUTION OF ALL DOCUMENTS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Crowley in response to the advertisement for a replacement breathing air module compressor package; and

WHEREAS, the bid of Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Incorporated was reviewed and it was determined that same was in compliance with the specifications and Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Incorporated appears o be the low bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Jody Viator, Fire Chief of the City of Crowley, recommended the acceptance of the base bid of Thirty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Six & No/100 (\$35,666.00) Dollars and the option for a three-year extended warranty for Five Hundred & No/100 (\$500.00) Dollars for a total project price of Thirty-Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six & No/100 (\$36,166.00) Dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen accepted the recommendation of the Fire Chief and determined the low bidder for the replacement breathing air module compressor package is Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Incorporated and deem it appropriate to award the contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened that they do hereby find the low bidder is Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Incorporated and accept the low bid for one (1) replacement breathing air module compressor package, fully installed, plus a three-year extended warranty and hereby award the contract to Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Incorporated in the amount of Thirty-Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six & No/100 (\$36,166.00) Dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they do hereby authorize empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor the City of Crowley to execute a contract with Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Incorporated under the terms and conditions acceptable to the City of Crowley in his sole discretion for the acquisition of one (1) replacement breathing air module compressor package to be fully installed in accordance with the specifications as bid with a three-year extended warranty for a total contract price of Thirty-Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six & No/100 (\$36,166.00) Dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and provide any and all

other documents and information which may be necessary in contact with the award of the contract and/or comply with the grant conditions in his sole discretion.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 10th day of April, 2012, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

Mayor Greg A. Jones stepped down as Chair and Mayor Pro-Tem Steven Premeaux presided.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderman Bryan Borill, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY AUTHORIZING A STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT TO BE ISSUED BY THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LOUISIANA ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LOUISIANA OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000.00; AND TO AUTHORIZE A REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT UP TO \$300,000.00 EVIDENCED BY A PROMISSORY NOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF THE LETTER OF CREDIT; TO AUTHORIZE THE PLEDGE OF AN UNENCUMBERED CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT AS SECURITY FOR THE STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT; AND TO PROVIDE ALL MATTER RELATIVE THERETO AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has maintained and administered a self-insured workers' compensation plan approved by the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation and since 1994, the First National Bank has issued a Standby Letter of Credit on behalf of the City of Crowley in favor of the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation to secure the self-insured plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley was granted authority by the Louisiana State Bond Commission to pledge unencumbered excess funds up to \$300,000.00 in the form of Certificate of Deposit to secure a Standby Letter of Credit in the amount of \$300,000.00, as is more fully shown by reference to that certain Resolution of the Louisiana State Bond Commission No. L94-174 dated May 19, 1994; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary the City reauthorize a revolving line of credit, the issuance of a Standby Letter of Credit and the pledge a Certificate of Deposit to secure the Standby Letter of Credit as required by the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, find that it is appropriate to continue the self-insured plan and to authorize the Mayor Pro-Tem to execute the promissory note and the pledge of funds as security;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Parish of Acadia, in regular session duly convened, that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Steven Premeaux, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Crowley, to execute an application for a line of credit in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 from First National Bank of Louisiana, to approve the form and substance of the irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit, to execute a promissory note or notes in favor of the First National Bank of Louisiana in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 payable on

demand, said note or notes bearing simple interest at a variable rate per annum equal to three (3) percentage points over the six month CD rate, to pledge an unencumbered Certificate(s) of Deposit in an equivalent amount of the promissory note or notes to the First National Bank of Louisiana as security for the said Standby Letter of Credit and to authorize the assignment of the deposit account as required by the Bank; to pay an annual fee not to exceed one (1%) percent of the amount of the Standby Letter of Credit, to pay all costs and fees in connection with this transaction, to provide a governmental certificate of existence and authority, to pledge the irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit by the First National Bank of Louisiana on behalf of the City of Crowley to the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation up to \$300,000.00 as security for the City's self-insured workers' compensation program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Parish of Acadia, that the Honorable Steven Premeaux, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Crowley, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute any and all necessary forms, documents, assurances and provisions as may be meet and proper in the premises necessary to conclude said transaction.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 10th day of April, 2012 at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

STEVEN PREMEAUX, MAYOR-PRO-TEM

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

Mayor Pro-Tem Steven Premeaux stepped down as Chair and Mayor Greg A. Jones presided.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Bryan Borill and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor on April 11, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.
Presented for Mayor's signature on April 11, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on April 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

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