

CITY OF CROWLEY  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

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 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015 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: Elliot Doré, Lyle Fogleman Jr., Steven Premeaux, Ezora J. Proctor, Kitty Valdetero, Jeff Doré, and Tim Monceaux, Aldermen Bryan Borill and Vernon Martin were absent.

Alderman Steven Premeaux led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Alderwoman Ezora Proctor gave the invocation.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to appoint Erin Cradeur as City Clerk. Motion carried.

Erin Cradeur was then administered the oath of office by the city attorney, Thomas K. Regan.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:**

Alderman Steven Premeaux offered a motion to amend the agenda to include and consider the following 2016 beer and liquor license renewals for Ben Mitchell with Confit Catering Co., LLC. and Samir M. Abdulla with Fat Boy Inc. Seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

Alderman Steven Premeaux offered a motion to amend the agenda to include and consider a Proclamation for the Notre Dame Pioneers Football Team. Seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

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

Alderwoman Ezora Proctor moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderman Tim Monceaux and duly adopted.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

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

**PROCLAMATION:**

Mayor Jones proclaimed and presented the Following:

# PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, the City of Crowley, Louisiana wishes to recognize the Notre Dame High School Football Team along with their principal, Ms. Cindy Istre, faculty, staff, families and coaches, who have demonstrated the teamwork and drive necessary to produce an outstanding football season; and
- WHEREAS, the 2015 Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA), Division III, District 5-2A, Class 2A, State Football Championship game won by the Pioneers' Team" is the fifth championship in Notre Dame School's history; and
- WHEREAS, the Notre Dame High School Pios, led by their head coach, Lewis Cook along with coaches, Lew Cook, Todd Gray, James McCleary, Gerald Dill, Wyatt Breaux, Steve Soper, Ricky Vicknair, Matt McClure, Nick Ware, Wesley Jacob, Denver Brown, Chris Stevens, Donald Cormier, and Kevin Magee; trainer: Jim Dorotics; student trainers, Amy Claire Bellard, Chazmine Gibson, Jamie Hanks, Bethany Leonards, Lexi Babineaux, Ainsley Gary, Madeline Gautreaux, Sarah LeBlanc, Annsley Martin, Emma Wagar, Londyn Babineaux, Catherine Cramer, Anna Claire Gossen, Anna Ledet, Audrey Leonards, Sophie Robichaux, Meaghan Thibodeaux, Gracien Bellard, Gracie Boudreaux, Jeanne Gossen, Melise Istre, Gabrielle Manuel, Katherine Skelton, Emma Smith; and managers, John Gates and Luke Dupre; brought the Notre Dame High School Pioneers Football Team to the season's close on December 4, 2015 with a victory score of 13-3 against Riverside Academy; and
- WHEREAS, the 2015 Notre Dame High School Pioneers Football Team consists of: Gabe Petry, Hayden McCleary, Pete Brown, Sam Hoffpauir, Adam Berken, Garrett Bergeron, David Gonzalez, Michael Bourgeois, David Schmid, Hayden Bourgeois, Kane Bergeron, Justin Guidry, Mason Romero, Chris Hebert, Cameron Nelson, Collin Kirsch, Connor Fay, Thomas Stevens, Konnor Broussard, Steven Zaunbrecher, Hayden Reiners, Shea Zaunbrecher, Alec Brouillette, Patrick Burleigh, Jordan Owens, Nick Hanks, Lance Bertrand, John Hoffpauir, John William Lamm, Joe Ware, Will Veillon, Noah Bourgeois, Brad Gilbert, Alex Hebert, Austin Thibodeaux, Bryce Gatte, Zack Miller, Jake Reiners, Ethan Smith, Dennis Hensgens, Bryant Thevis, Jacob Link, Austin Melancon, Wynn Olinger, Tucker Kojis, Doug Leonards, Hunter LeJeune, Cooper Wingate, Nicholas Venable, Ben Boulet, Waylon Bourgeois, Thomas Welter, Allen Faulk, Jacob Vicknair, Collin Brouillette, Jack Link, William Tarver-Lecoq, Baylor Ledbetter, Joe Sonnier, Alex Gardiner, Garrett Cormier, Paul Guidry, Mitchell Fruge, Grant Dailey, Alan Zaunbrecher, Ethan Lowery, Martin Petitjean, Josh Leblanc, Jack Veillon, Boedy Borill, Caleb Hoffpauir, Landon Meche, Michael Thibodeaux, Gentry Borill, Jason Casanova, Blade Leger, Jared Prejean, Jack Monceaux, Joe Faulk, Trey Vautrot, Jarrett Doucet, Kyle Lyons, Chad Chaisson, Matt Rosinski, Zack Satchell, Matt Abshire, Gabe Doucet; and
- WHEREAS, the members of the team and their coaches have helped create a positive image for their school and the citizens of the City of Crowley; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Crowley commends and congratulates this outstanding group of young people and the coaches who teach and guide them in the sport of football, for this accomplishment; and
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg A. Jones, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Crowley, Louisiana do hereby consider it an honor and a pleasure to extend this proclamation to the

## NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL PIONEERS FOOTBALL TEAM

on behalf of the Board of Aldermen and the citizens of Crowley, Louisiana for an outstanding football season.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused the Great Seal of the City of Crowley to be affixed this the 8th day of December, 2015.

S/Greg A. Jones, Mayor

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson – Alderman Tim Monceaux  
Vice-Chairperson – Alderwoman Ezora Proctor  
Members – Aldermen Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Jr. and Vernon Martin

A motion was offered by Alderman Tim Monceaux and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to authorize the Mayor to engage Huval & Associates to perform a Load Rating Analysis for the Jacobs Avenue Bridge and a Load Rating Analysis for the Avenue G Bridge at a cost of \$3,500 for each bridge. Motion carried.

**UTILITY COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson – Alderman Vernon Martin  
Vice-Chairperson – Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero  
Members – Aldermen Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, and Lyle Fogleman, Jr.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 8 to Guinn Construction, LLC for “Repairs to the Facultative Pond Levee and Ultra-Violet Disinfection Systems at the Waste Water Treatment Facility” in the amount of \$27,627.77. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Ezora Proctor to approve Change Order No. 4 in the amount of \$24,173.55 for the construction contract with Guinn Construction, LLC for “Repairs to the Facultative Pond Levee and Ultra-Violet Disinfection Systems at the Waste Water Treatment Facility” to adjust original contract quantities to constructed quantities. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

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

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to approve the following 2016 beer and liquor license renewals:

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| 1. | Rebecca Guidry<br>Guidry’s Package Liquor<br>201 Ross Avenue                   | 2016 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit<br>2016 Class A Retail Outlet Liquor Permit |
| 2. | Samuel Reggie, III<br>Reggie’s Downtown<br>Crowley, LLC<br>218 North Parkerson | 2016 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit<br>2016 Class A Retail Outlet Liquor Permit |
| 3. | Wen Thou<br>China Dragon<br>1703 North Parkerson Avenue                        | 2016 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit   |

Motion Carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to approve the following 2016 beer and liquor license renewals:



was issued and published according to law, the undersigned members of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, being a quorum thereof, met in the chambers of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana, and, according to law, publicly examined and canvassed the returns of said election, as shown by the official tabulation sheets compiled by the Clerk of Court of the Parish of Acadia, according to law, which returns were received by the Clerk of Court from the Commissioners-In-Charge of said election held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2015, in accordance with said resolution, to determine the following proposition, to-wit:

### **SALES TAX PROPOSITION REDEDICATION AND CONTINUATION**

Shall the proceeds of the One-Half (1/2) Cent Sales and Use Tax authorized by election held on November 28, 1981, be rededicated and continued under the applicable provisions of Article VI of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended, the applicable provisions of Title 47 and Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, (“Act”), and the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana, (“City”) be authorized to adopt an ordinance to levy and collect a One-Half (1/2) of One (1%) Percent Tax ( “Tax”) in perpetuity upon the sale at retail, use, lease or rental, consumption and storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and on sales of services in the City, as hereafter defined in Title 47, beginning April 1, 2016 (estimated first year revenue of \$1,550,000.00), with the proceeds of the Tax (after payment of costs of collection/administration) dedicated to raises for full-time City personnel; distributed one-third (1/3) to fire personnel, one-third (1/3) to police personnel and one-third (1/3) to remaining City employees, including the payment of increased fringe expenses incurred by the City including but not limited to taxes, FICA, Medicare, retirement, workers’ compensation and unemployment compensation necessary to implement said raises?

The results of the canvassing and tabulation of said election returns compiled by the Board of Election Supervisors of the Parish of Acadia and certified by the Clerk of Court for the **Sales Tax Rededication and Continuation Proposition** proved to be: 127 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 1, North Crowley Middle School, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 56 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 92 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 2, Notre Dame High School, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 40 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 143 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 3A, North Crowley Kindergarten, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 65 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 90 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 3B, North Crowley Kindergarten, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 18 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 158 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 4, St. Michael’s Church Hall, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 62 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 62 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 6, Old Ross High School, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 40 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 116 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 7, Rice Festival Building, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 41 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 135 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 8, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Hall, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 58 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 69 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 9, South Crowley Elementary School, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 32 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 131 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 11, Martin Luther King Jr. Center, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 68 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 157 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 12, School Board Media Center, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 50 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 30 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 13, School Board Media Center, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 6 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 0 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 14, Acadia Animal Clinic, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 0 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 0 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 15, South Crowley Elementary School, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 0 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 0 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 16, LSU Rice

Experiment Station, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 0 ballots cast at said polling place against the **Proposition**; 697 absentee ballots cast at the Acadia Parish Courthouse, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of the **Proposition** and 348 absentee ballots cast at the Acadia Parish Courthouse, Crowley, Louisiana against the **Proposition**, and therefore the majority of voters qualified to vote under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana voting at said election in said City were in favor of the **Proposition**.

NOW THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, declare that the results of said election to be in favor of the **Sales Tax Rededication and Continuation Proposition**.

In accordance with law, a resolution promulgating the aforesaid results was adopted and the City Clerk was ordered to have a certified copy of said resolution signed by the Mayor and published in one issue of the Crowley Post Signal, the Official Journal of the City of Crowley, Louisiana.

We did, likewise, order that one certified copy of the Proces Verbal and one certified copy of the resolution be sent to the Secretary of State to be recorded in the archives of the State of Louisiana and that one certified copy of the Proces Verbal and one certified copy of the said resolution be sent to the Clerk of the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of the Parish of Acadia, Louisiana, to be recorded in the records of the Clerk and Recorder of said Parish, and that the original Proces Verbal and the original resolution be filed in the archives of the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at a regular meeting pursuant to notice thereof duly published and called in accordance with law, in the presence of the undersigned competent qualified witnesses and qualified voters of the said City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, in the chambers of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley at which a quorum was present and acting throughout, by the undersigned members of the Board of Aldermen, present and participating in the canvass of said election.

**WITNESSES:**

S/Thomas K. Regan  
S/Dave W. Bratton

S/GREG A. JONES, Mayor  
S/STEVEN PREMEAUX, Alderman-at-Large  
S/JEFF DORE', Alderman  
S/KITTY VALDETERO, Alderwoman  
S/LYLE FOGLEMAN, Alderman  
Absent/VERNON MARTIN, Alderman  
S/ELLIOT DORE', Alderman  
Absent/BRYAN BORILL, Alderman  
S/TIM MONCEAUX, Alderman  
S/EZORA PROCTOR, Alderwoman

**RESOLUTIONS:**

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Tim Monceaux, duly seconded by Alderwoman Lyle Fogleman, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS AND DESIGNATING THE TIME AND PLACE THAT THE BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED FOR THE "2016 MATERIALS CONTRACT" PROJECT.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley that the preparation of the Plans and Specifications for the “2016 MATERIALS CONTRACT” Project prepared by Mader Engineering is hereby authorized and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Advertisement For Bids for said Project is hereby authorized, that bids will be received at Crowley City Hall on a date that is in accordance with the requirements of the Louisiana Uniform Public Works Bid Laws, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud, and that said date, time, and location may be amended as long as changes are processed in accordance with the Public Bid Law.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session on this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, duly seconded by Alderman Tim Monceaux, 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(s) of the Building and Safety Codes of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, Notice of Violations has been issued to the property owner, Edmonia Moore, by the City Inspector's office dated September 30, 2015, for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on Lot 6 of Block 112 of the City of Crowley, having a municipal address of 626 Western Avenue, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, no action has been taken and the City Inspector has requested a public hearing for 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 Edmonia Moore for a public hearing to show cause why the improvements on the property situated on Lot 6 of Block 112 of the City of Crowley bearing a municipal address of 626 Western Avenue, should not be condemned, to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016, in regular session at 6:00 o'clock p.m. and that said notice be properly recorded and served upon the property owner pursuant to law;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, duly seconded by Alderwoman Ezora Proctor, 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(s) of the Building and Safety Codes of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, Notice of Violations has been issued to the property owner, Kelly James Bourque, by the City Inspector's office dated October 9, 2015, for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on Lot 7 of Block 81 of the City of Crowley, having a municipal address of 417 West Hutchinson Avenue, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, no action has been taken and the City Inspector has requested a public hearing for 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 Kelly James Bourque for a public hearing to show cause why the improvements on the property situated on Lot 7 of Block 81 of the City of Crowley bearing a municipal address of 417 West Hutchinson Avenue, should not be condemned, to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016, in regular session at 6:00 o'clock p.m. and that said notice be properly recorded and served upon the property owner pursuant to law;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderwoman Ezora Proctor, and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, PROMULGATING THE RESULTS OF A SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ON THE 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015, TO DETERMINE THE PROPOSITION FOR THE REDEDICATION OF SALES TAX, TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION AND LEVY OF A One-Half (1/2) OF ONE (1%) PERCENT TAX ("TAX") IN PERPETUITY UPON THE SALE AT RETAIL, USE, LEASE OR RENTAL, CONUMPTION AND STORAGE FOR USE OR CONSUMPTION, OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND ON SALES OF SERVICES IN THE CITY, AS DEFINED IN TITLE 47, BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2016 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYMENT OF RAISES FOR FULL-TIME CITY PERSONNEL, INCLUDING THE PAYMENT OF INCREASED FRINGE EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE CITY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO TAXES, FICA, MEDICARE, RETIREMENT, WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT

COMPENSATION NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT SAID RAISES;  
AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2015, a special election was held in the City of Crowley, to determine the propositions hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the returns were received by the Clerk of Court from the Commissioners in charge of said election and the results of the said election returns were compiled by the Board of Elections Supervisor for the Parish of Acadia and a certification of the official election results by the Clerk and Court; and

WHEREAS, the official returns of said election were canvassed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, according to law and under notice duly given as provided by law, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, and the result of said election was declared to be that a majority of the qualified voters of the said City of Crowley voting at said election voted in favor of the Sales Tax Rededication and Continuation Proposition.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, IN SPECIAL SESSION DULY CONVENED, THAT:

SECTION 1. An election was held in the City of Crowley on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2015 to determine the proposition hereinafter set out.

That said election was duly and properly called by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley by resolution adopted on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015, and recorded in the Minute Book of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, and that said resolution stated the purpose for which the proposed tax was to be levied, the number of years which the proposed tax was to run; and that notice of the election, embracing substantially all matters required by law to be contained therein, was adopted and was published in the Crowley Post Signal, the Official Journal of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2015; that this Board did, in said resolution, designate the polling places for the said election and did provide all necessary equipment therefor; that the Registrar of Voters for the Parish of Acadia furnished to the election commissioners a list of voters entitled to vote in said election; that only qualified electors under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana voted at such election; that the ballots used in said election were in the form provided by law; that the officials to serve at said election were duly and properly appointed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, and that the places of all absent commissioners and clerks of election were properly filed in accordance with law, and that, before the opening of the polls, all commissioners and clerks were properly sworn, in accordance with law; that the polls at said polling places were opened at 7:00 o'clock a.m. and remained opened until 8:00 o'clock p.m.; that, after the closing of the polls, the votes were properly tabulated and the absentee ballots were properly counted and tallied and the necessary records made by the commissioners and clerks, in accordance with law, the returns were tabulated by the Board of Election Supervisors of the Parish of Acadia and delivered to the Clerk of the District Court of Acadia Parish, Louisiana, and the results duly tabulated and certified by the Clerk of the District Court of the Parish of Acadia, Louisiana, as required by law, and that all things whatsoever required and duly performed in a manner and form requested by Title 39, Section 501 et seq., and Title 18, the General Election Law of Louisiana Revised Statutes, as amended, of the State of Louisiana.

SECTION 2: That in said election, the following propositions were approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting at said election in said City of Crowley:

**SALES TAX PROPOSITION REDEDICATION AND CONTINUATION**

Shall the proceeds of the One-Half (1/2) Cent Sales and Use Tax authorized by election held on November 28, 1981, be rededicated and continued under the applicable provisions of Article VI of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended, the applicable provisions of Title 47 and Title 18 of the Louisiana

Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, (“Act”), and the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana, (“City”) be authorized to adopt an ordinance to levy and collect a One-Half (1/2) of One (1%) Percent Tax ( “Tax”) in perpetuity upon the sale at retail, use, lease or rental, consumption and storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and on sales of services in the City, as hereafter defined in Title 47, beginning April 1, 2016 (estimated first year revenue of \$1,550,000.00), with the proceeds of the Tax (after payment of costs of collection/administration) dedicated to raises for full-time City personnel; distributed one-third (1/3) to fire personnel, one-third (1/3) to police personnel and one-third (1/3) to remaining City employees, including the payment of increased fringe expenses incurred by the City including but not limited to taxes, FICA, Medicare, retirement, workers’ compensation and unemployment compensation necessary to implement said raises?

SECTION 3: The result of said election is the said special taxes as described above did carry and the proposition is hereby declared approved.

SECTION 4: The results of said election shall be promulgated by the City Clerk by publication of this resolution and Proces Verbal one time in the Crowley Post Signal, a newspaper published within the corporate limits of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

SECTION 5: All orders, resolutions and ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith be, and the same are hereby repealed.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in special session pursuant to notice thereof duly published and called in accordance with law at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

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GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, duly seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré, and adopted.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, AN APPLICATION TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 - 2016 LOUISIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT’S LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, PERTAINING TO THE RENOVATIONS AND REPAIRS TO THE RICE FESTIVAL BUILDING.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley wishes to submit an application to the Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016 Office of Community Development’s Local Government Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that providing repairs and renovations to the Rice Festival Building will maintain the look and integrity of the facility; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen agree that these improvements will maximize and extend the use of the facility for many additional years to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Crowley that the Mayor of said City be, and he is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to prepare and submit to the Office of Community Development’s Local Government Assistance Program for and on behalf of the City of

Crowley a Grant Application Fiscal Year 2015 - 2016 for the Renovations and Repairs to the Rice Festival Building, and to execute same on behalf of the City of Crowley and by his signature to enter into any and all contractual obligations on behalf of the City of Crowley under this program.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was duly adopted in regular session duly convened on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Ezora Proctor and seconded by Alderman Tim Monceaux the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.  
Presented for Mayor's signature on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.  
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m.

Publish in newspaper on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015