

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2007

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 9th day of January, 2007, 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 presence of all Aldermen: Elliot Dore', Jeff Dore', Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting.

Alderman Vernon Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Alderman Elliot Dore' gave the invocation.

APPOINTMENTS:

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened nominations for Mayor Pro-Tem. Alderwoman Mary Melancon moved to nominate Elliot Dore' and was seconded by Alderman Jeff Dore'. Alderman Lyle Fogleman moved to nominate Steven Premeaux and was seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin. A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to close the nominations. Alderman Steven Premeaux was appointed Mayor Pro-Tem after the following roll call vote.

FOR ELLIOT DORE': Elliot Dore', Jeff Dore', Mary Melancon, and Kitty Valdetero

FOR STEVEN PREMEAUX: Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, and Todd Whiting

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

Alderman Lyle Fogleman moved to appoint Alderman Elliot Dore' as First Alternate Mayor Pro-Tem. Seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon, and duly adopted.

Alderman Vernon Martin moved to appoint Alderwoman Laurita Pete as Second Alternate Mayor Pro-Tem. Seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, and duly adopted.

Alderman Vernon Martin moved to ratify the Mayor's appointment of the following City officials. Seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon, and duly adopted.

Thomas K. Regan – City Attorney
Judy L. Istre – City Clerk & Tax Collector
Mitchell Istre – Street Commissioner
Margaret Young – Administrative Assistant
Jody Viator – Fire Chief
Danny Hebert – City Inspector
Albert John – Public Works Director
Tim Robichaux – Director of Recreation
Brian Mallet – Wastewater Superintendent

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1353, the ordinance to “amend the fiscal 2007 budget” was read by title.

Mr. Thomas Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1353. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1353 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

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

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderswoman Laurita Pete moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the December 12, 2006 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderswoman Kitty Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderswoman Mary Melancon moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the December 19, 2006 special council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin and duly adopted.

Alderswoman Kitty Valdetero moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux and duly adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Greg A. Jones 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 2007 to the budgeted revenues and expenditures of the same period.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS: Alderswoman Mary Melancon, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderswoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Elliot Dore' to approve Partial Payment No. 3 to Quality Construction Specialist under Work Order No. 1 for the FY 2005-2006 Crack Routing, Cleaning, and Sealing Contract in the amount of \$64,390.05. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderswoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderswoman Mary Melancon to table the Crowley Cemetery Drainage and Parking project. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderswoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderswoman Kitty Valdetero to authorize the Mayor to engage the services of a contractor to internally videotape the subsurface drainage system near the Northwest corner of Park Addition and the Northeast corner of Lot 121 in Beauvoir in order to respond to a request from Edmund Habetz to construct a junction box at that location. Motion carried.

UTILITY: Alderman Vernon Martin, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderswoman Mary Melancon to approve Partial Payment No. 10 to M. P. Dumesnil Construction Co. for the North of I-10 Sewage Improvements contract the amount of \$66,277.03. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderswoman Mary Melancon to authorize Mader Engineering, Inc. to prepare the necessary plans and specifications and obtain cost proposals from interested contractors for the installation of a double tank chamber. The chamber is to be installed in the alley at 710 S. Avenue D for the Bill Myers residence at the estimated construction cost of \$10,000 to \$15,000. The cost of the project is referred to Revenue and Finance committee. Motion carried

PUBLIC SAFETY: Alderman Todd Whiting, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to approve the renewal of 2007 Class B Retail Package Liquor Permit for Larry Croan, d/b/a Econo Mart located at 705 S. Eastern Avenue, Crowley, LA. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to approve the renewal of 2007 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit and 2007 Class A Retail Outlet Liquor Permit for Bryan D. McCrory d/b/a Chili's Grill & Bar for Chili's Grill & Bar located at 827 Odd Fellows Road, Crowley, LA. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to approve a Critical Incident Stress Management Course in the amount of \$508 for the Fire Department and refer to Revenue and Finance committee. Motion carried.

ZONING & ANNEXATION: Alderman Elliot Dore', Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore' and seconded by Alderwoman Laurtia Pete to approve the Planning Commission recommendation to approve a rear yard set back 5' variance for an addition for Daniel Joseph located at 727 West Northern Avenue described as Lot 1 & West 16' of Lot 2, Block 197. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore' and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to approve the Planning Commission recommendation to approve a home occupancy variance for Roger & Carrie & Moore to operate a fun jump rental business located at 513 Moore Avenue described as Lots 8-9, Block 18, Duson 3rd Addition. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore' and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to authorize the Mayor to engage the services of a contractor to internally videotape the sewer line constructed approximately two years ago on Northern Avenue near Eastern Avenue by St. Michael Elementary School. The videotaping is for the purposes of determining the acceptance of the sewer main and is to be done at the same time the contractor is working on videotaping the subsurface drainage system near Park Addition and Beauvoir. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore' and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to approve the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval of the preliminary and final plat of West Crowley Subdivision contingent upon approval of the City Engineer and City Attorney. Motion carried with Alderman Vernon Martin and Alderwoman Laurita Pete abstaining.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore' and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to rezone from Light Industrial-1 to Residential-2 for the Bobby Smith Subdivision I & II located in Section 37, Township 10 South, Range 1 East. Motion carried with Alderman Vernon Martin and Alderwoman Laurita Pete abstaining.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore' and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to rezone from Light Industrial-1 to Residential-2 for the West Crowley Subdivision located in Section 37, Township 10 South, Range 1 East. Motion carried with Alderman Vernon Martin and Alderwoman Laurita Pete abstaining.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore', duly seconded by Alderwoman Mary 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 special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO REZONE AND CHANGE THE CLASSIFICATION OF THAT CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN SECTION THIRTY-SEVEN (37), TOWNSHIP TEN (10) SOUTH, RANGE ONE (1) EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA CONTAINING 24.76 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, BEING KNOWN AS THE WEST CROWLEY SUBDIVISION TO THE CITY OF CROWLEY FROM "I-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT" TO "R-2, RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT"; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE 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 12th day of February, 2007, 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 TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO REZONE AND CHANGE THE CLASSIFICATION OF THAT CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN SECTION THIRTY-SEVEN (37), TOWNSHIP TEN (10) SOUTH, RANGE ONE (1) EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA CONTAINING 24.76 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, BEING KNOWN AS THE WEST CROWLEY SUBDIVISION TO THE CITY OF CROWLEY FROM "I-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT" TO "R-2, RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT"; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE 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 9th day of January, 2007.

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 9th day of January, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore', duly seconded by Alderwoman Mary 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.

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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 9th day of January, 2007.

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 9th day of January, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

PUBLIC BUILDING: Alderman Lyle Fogleman, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to approve Partial Payment No. 7 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center in the amount of \$17,614.42. Motion carried.

INSURANCE & PERSONNEL: Alderwoman Laurita Pete, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderman Elliot Dore' to approve the Worker's Compensation Policy from Safety National Casualty Corporation effective January 1, 2007 through January 1, 2008 with an annual fixed cost of \$63,927 as recommended by Mr. Mark Landry. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to employ Nicole Hoffpaur as a Police Dispatcher effective December 27, 2006. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to employ Reginald Guidry as a Provisional Police Officer effective December 27, 2006. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to allow Combined Insurance Company to participate during open insurance enrollment. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to allow National Motor Club of America to participate during open insurance enrollment. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Alderman Jeff Dore', Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Jeff Dore' and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to approve the Petting Zoo & Carnival for Carnival d'Acadie contingent upon approval from Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Dore' and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to adopt a Resolution honoring Dr. Larry Hollier. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Jeff Dore' and seconded by Elliot Dore' to adopt a Resolution to apply for the designation as a Preserve America Community. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Elliot Dore' to re-schedule February's committee meetings from February 7 and 8, 2007 to February 5 and 6, 2007. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to call a Special City Council meeting on February 12, 2007 in lieu of the regular scheduled meeting of February 13, 2007. Motion carried.

RECREATION: Alderman Steven Premeaux, Chairperson

There were no action items from the Recreation Committee.

REVENUE & FINANCES: Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, Chairperson

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin, 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.

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

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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 BUDGET 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:

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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, LA.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 9th day of January, 2007.

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 9th day of January, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to approve \$508 for a Critical Incident Stress Management Course for the Fire Department. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to authorize Mader Engineering, Inc. to prepare the necessary plans and specifications and obtain cost proposals from interested contractors for the installation of a double tank chamber. The chamber is to be installed in the alley at 710 S. Avenue D for the Bill Myers residence at the estimated construction cost of \$10,000 to \$15,000 to be funded from General Fund. Motion carried

RESOLUTIONS:

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, DECLARING AND PROCLAIMING LARRY H. HOLLIER, M.D. A DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, Larry H. Hollier, M.D., is internationally recognized for his surgical skill, innovative surgical techniques and procedures in cardiovascular surgery, cardiology, cardiac surgery, bone marrow transplants and orthopedics which he practices as a preeminent vascular surgeon; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hollier is internationally recognized as a teacher of those clinical skills and procedures, as a professor of medicine and lecturer who is the author of more than 300 medical journal articles and serves on the editorial board of 13 surgical journals; and

WHEREAS, after a distinguished academic career, he was awarded his medical degree from LSU Medical School of New Orleans; served in the United States Air Force; was a member of the faculty of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, developing a vascular medical service and training program; served as Chairman of the Ochsner Clinic Foundation; was recruited by Harvard as Chairman of Surgery and Executive Director of Clinical Health Care at the Health Care International Medical Center in Glasgow, Scotland and eventually returned to the City of New York and became President of The Mount Sinai Hospital restoring it to a 1,000+ bed teaching hospital; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hollier returned to Louisiana and was appointed Dean of the LSU School of Medicine on January 1, 2004, and was appointed Acting Chancellor of the LSU Health Science Center in New Orleans on November 14, 2005 in the immediate aftermath of Hurricane Katrina; and

WHEREAS, in the face of utter devastation and destruction by Hurricane Katrina in the City of New Orleans and its medical facilities, Dr. Hollier obtained a cruise ship to provide housing and educational facilities for medical students to continue their education by the faculty and staff of the LSU School of Medicine and now serves in dual roles as Dean of the LSU School of Medicine and the Chancellor of the LSU Health Science Center in the City of New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Dr. Hollier has distinguished himself as a physician, professor, lecturer, author and administrator and has left an indelible mark on the institutions he has improved, established and developed and upon the physicians and other medical professionals who distinguish him as one of the preeminent medical professionals in the development and management of teaching hospitals; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Larry H. Hollier was born in the City of Crowley on April 18, 1943, to the late Villere J. Hollier and the late Agnes Guidry Hollier, prominent members of this community, and spent his formative years and early education in the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hollier returned to Louisiana and has applied his boundless energy, extraordinary skill and steadfast determination to the task of restoring the LSU Health Science Center, the LSU School of Medicine and its health care facilities to their preeminent role as a teaching and clinical hospital and primary care facility in the City of New Orleans, the State of Louisiana and the world for which he is truly worthy of praise, recognition and distinct honors for his outstanding service, dedication and leadership;

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 declare and proclaim

LARRY H. HOLLIER, M.D.
a "DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY"

together with all the honors, rights, privileges and emoluments appertaining thereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this official proclamation by the City of Crowley shall be issued and the Great Seal of the City of Crowley shall be affixed thereon by the City Clerk and the Mayor to serve as a memorial of this distinction and honor.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 9th day of January, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

ORDINANCES:

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1353

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.

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 9th day of January, 2007 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 9th day of January, 2007 that the following Amended Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized.

Account Name	Amendment 2006-2007	Amended 2006-2007 Budget
General Fund		

General Administration Expenditure		
Capital Outlay	85,000	85,000
Utility Fund - Sewage		
Sewage Department Expenditures		
Capital Outlay	18,000	214,056

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the amounts shall be available for expenditures only to the extent and only as included within the amended 2006-2007 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, Greg A. Jones, is hereby authorized and in his sole discretion, to make such changes within the various budget classifications as he 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 9th day of January, 2007 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Elliot Dore', Jeff Dore', Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin,
 Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty
 Valdetero and Todd Whiting

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

OTHER BUSINESS:

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Elliot Dore' and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor on January 10, 2007 at 2:10 p.m.
Presented for Mayor's signature on January 11, 2007 at 3:00 p.m.
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on January 11, 2007 at 4:00 p.m.