

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 12, 2009

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday the 12th day of May, 2009 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: J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman Jr., Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting.

Alderman Todd Whiting led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Alderman J. Elliot Doré gave the invocation.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

Alderman J. Elliot Doré offered a motion to amend the agenda to include the Community Partnership award and the Tree City USA award. Seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

RECESS/RECONVENE:

Mayor Jones recessed the meeting for all to attend the ceremony that memorialized the Police Officers that gave their lives while on duty to serve and protect the citizens of Crowley.

A motion was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to reconvene the meeting; the roll was called with the following members present: J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman Jr., Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, and Kitty Valdetero. Alderman Todd Whiting was absent.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderman J. Elliot Doré moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the April 14th, 2009 regular council meeting. Seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux and duly adopted.

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

APPEARANCES:

Dr. James Reeves addressed the assembly on fluoridation, which he feels is not beneficial and should not be added to the city's water supply.

PRESENTATIONS:

The City was awarded the Community Partnership Award by the ASSIST Agency for the generous support of their organization.

Ms. Geri McNeal presented the "2008 Tree City USA Award" to the City of Crowley on behalf of Commissioner Dr. Mike Strain, the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and

Forestry, the National Arbor Day Foundation and the National Association of State Foresters. This is the twenty-second year the City of Crowley has been recognized as a Tree City USA, the longest in the state.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1) Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on Rule to Show Cause for Condemnation of Property situated on Lot 6 of Block 22 of Duson’s 3rd Addition, City of Crowley, having a municipal address of 528 Ross Avenue, Crowley, Louisiana belonging to James B. Clement. City Inspector, Danny Hebert reported the building was not in compliance with building codes. There was no one present to represent the owners of the property.

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

2) Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1393, the ordinance was read by title as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2.2 OF ARTICLE II. OF APPENDIX A ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 1059 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, AS AMENDED, TO DEFINE ELECTRICAL SECURITY FENCES; TO AMEND SECTION 3.1365 OF ARTICLE III OF APPENDIX A ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, AS AMENDED, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF ELECTRIC SECURITY FENCES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith ON IN CONFLICT HERETO.

Mr. Thomas Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1393. Bishop Louis Dugar spoke in favor of the ordinance.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1393 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing on ordinance no. 1393 to a close.

PROMULGATE THE ELECTION RETURNS:

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PROCES VERBAL OF CANVASSING
OF ELECTION RESULTS

PARISH OF ACADIA

BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED, that on this the 12th day of May, 2009, at 6:00 p.m., in accordance with a resolution of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, adopted on the 9th day of February, 2009, and recorded in the records of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley in the Minute Book, notice of which special meeting 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 2nd day of May, 2009, in accordance with said resolution, to determine the following propositions, to-wit:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

**RENEWAL OF FIVE (5) MILL FIRE & POLICE
PERSONNEL SALARY TAX**

SUMMARY: To authorize the City of Crowley to levy and collect a Five (5) Mill Tax (“Renewal”) annually for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of Fire & Police personnel salary.

1. Shall the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana, (the "City") under the provisions of Article VI, Section 22, Section 27(B), Section 30(A) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, continue to levy and collect a Five (5) Mill Tax on all property subject to taxation situated within said City (current estimated annual amount of \$325,967.00), annually for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2010 and ending in the year 2019, one-half (½) of the avails of which shall be for the purpose of and dedicated to the payment of salaries of the personnel of the Fire Department of said City and one-half (½) of the avails of which shall be for the purpose of and dedicated to the payment of salaries of the personnel of the Police Department?

The results of the canvassing and tabulation of said election returns provided by the Clerk of Court for **Proposition #1, Renewal of Five (5) Mill Fire & Police Personnel Salary Tax** proved to be: 7 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 1, North Crowley Middle School, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 8 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 17 ballots cast at Ward 6 Precinct 2, Notre Dame High School, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 3 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 22 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 3A, North Crowley Kindergarten, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 8 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 7 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 3B, North Crowley Kindergarten, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 2 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 12 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 4, Acadia Parish Courthouse Lobby, First Floor, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 5 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 8 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 5, Crowley City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 3 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 4 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 6, Old Ross High School, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 6 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 19 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 7, Rice Festival Building, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 6 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 21 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 8, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Hall, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 8 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 12 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 9, South Crowley Elementary School, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 5 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 9 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 11, Martin Luther King, Jr. Center, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 2 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 18 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 12, School Board Media Center, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 6 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 0 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 13, School Board Media Center, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 1 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 14, Acadia Animal Clinic, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 0 ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 0 ballots cast at, Ward 6 Precinct 16, LSU Rice Experiment Station, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and ballots cast at said polling place against **Proposition #1**; 46 absentee ballots cast at the Acadia Parish Courthouse, Crowley, Louisiana in favor of **Proposition #1** and 13 absentee ballots cast at the Acadia Parish Courthouse, Crowley, Louisiana against **Proposition #1**, 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 **Proposition #1**.

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 **Proposition #1**.

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 15th 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 special 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 12th day of May, 2009 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/ JUDY L ISTRE

S/ GREG A JONES, Mayor

S/ MARGARET YOUNG

S/ STEVEN PREMEAUX, Alderman-at-Large

S/ LUDELL DRONET

S/ JEFF DORE', Alderman

S/ KITTY VALDETERO, Alderwoman

S/ VERNON MARTIN, Alderman

S/ LAURITA PETE, Alderwoman

S/ LYLE FOGLEMAN, Alderman

S/ ELLIOT DORE', Alderman

S/ MARY MELANCON, Alderwoman

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Greg A. Jones presented the Sales Tax chart and User Fee chart that track the collection trend since fiscal 1992.

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 authorize Mader Engineering, Inc. to prepare specifications and advertise of bids for the 2009-2010 Annual Materials and Crack Repair work. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to approve Partial Payment No. 11 in the amount of \$109,867.50 to Merrick Construction Company for the Historic Parkerson Avenue Redevelopment Project. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to approve Change Order No. 10 to the Contract with Merrick Construction for the Historic Parkerson Avenue Redevelopment Project for a \$25,000 decrease in the contract. Motion carried

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

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

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to purchase a 2002 F 150 truck for Animal Control Department in the amount of \$6,700 and refer to Revenue and Finance. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to refer fluoridation of the water supply to next month committee meeting for further consideration. Motion carried.

INSURANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderwoman Laurita Pete
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Jeff Doré
Members – Aldermen Todd Whiting, Kitty Valdetero and Vernon Martin

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to table until the next month committee meeting the cafeteria plan information. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderman J. Elliot Doré to accept the property and casualty insurance proposal as presented by Landry, Harris and Company effective May 11, 2009 to May 11, 2010 in an estimated annual premium amount of \$412,171. Motion carried.

REVENUE & FINANCES COMMITTEE:

Chairperson – Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Todd Whiting
Members – Aldermen Laurita Pete, Jeff Doré and Steven Premeaux

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to transfer \$6,700 of concession monies to Police Department in order to pay for security at the ballparks. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to authorize the purchase of a 2002 F150 truck for the Animal Control Department in the amount of \$6,700. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

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, LOUISIANA, ORDERING THE CONDEMNATION OF IMPROVEMENTS SITUATED ON LOT 6 OF BLOCK 22 OF DUSON'S 3RD ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CROWLEY.

WHEREAS, a Condemnation Hearing was held regarding the above described property on the 12th day of May, 2009; 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 6 of Block 22 of Duson's 3rd Addition to the City of Crowley, being the property of James B. Clement, having a municipal address of 528 Ross Avenue, 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; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the owner shall have five (5) days in which to obtain a building permit and shall commence renovations within ten (10) days of the date of receipt of notice.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in special session duly convened on the 12th day of May, 2009 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin, duly seconded by Alderman J. Elliot Doré, and duly resolved 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 2ND DAY OF MAY, 2009, TO DETERMINE THE PROPOSITIONS FOR RENEWAL

OF FIVE (5) MILL FIRE & POLICE PERSONNEL SALARY
TAX.

WHEREAS, on the 2nd day of May, 2009, a special election was held in the City of Crowley, to determine the propositions hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the 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 12th day of May, 2009, 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 Proposition #1,

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 2nd day of May, 2009 to determine the propositions 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 9th day of February, 2009 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 given by publication in the Crowley Post Signal, the Official Journal of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, on the following dates: March 12, March 19, March 26 and April 2, 2009; the first of said publication being not less than forty-five (45) days prior to the date of said election nor more than ninety (90) days between the date of first publication and the date of said election; 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 6:00 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, and delivered to the Clerk of the District Court of Acadia Parish, Louisiana, and the results duly tabulated by the Clerk of the District Court of Acadia Parish, 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 proposition was approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting at said election in said City of Crowley:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

**RENEWAL OF FIVE (5) MILL FIRE & POLICE
PERSONNEL SALARY TAX**

SUMMARY: To authorize the City of Crowley to levy and collect a Five (5) Mill Tax (“Renewal”) annually for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of Fire & Police personnel salary.

1. Shall the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana, (the "City") under the provisions of Article VI, Section 22, Section 27(B), Section 30(A) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, continue to levy and collect a Five (5) Mill Tax on all property subject to taxation situated within said City (current estimated annual amount of \$325,967.00), annually for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2010 and ending in the year 2019, one-half (½) of the avails of which shall be for the purpose of and dedicated to the payment of salaries of the personnel of the Fire Department of said City and one-half (½) of the avails of which shall be for the purpose of and dedicated to the payment of salaries of the personnel of the Police Department?

SECTION 3: As a result of said election, the said special tax described above did carry.

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 12th day of May, 2009 at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, 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, ORDERING AND ISSUING A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY.

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

WHEREAS, notice has been issued to the property owner, Lodging America at Crowley L.L.C., by the City Inspector's office for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on Lot 24 of Block 2 of the McBride Addition to Crowley, having a municipal address of 9537 Egan Highway, Crowley, Louisiana; and

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened that the Notice of Rule to Show Cause should be issued to Lodging America at Crowley L.L.C. for a public hearing to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 9th day of June, 2009 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 12th day of May, 2009 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, duly seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete, 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, Acadia Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance must be introduced by its title and 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, date 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, in regular session duly convened 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 RE-ENACT SUBSECTION (16) OF SECTION 14-23(a) OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA BY TO DESIGNATE BUATT AVENUE AS A RIGHT-OF-WAY STREET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH FOURTEENTH (14TH) STREET; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY 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, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, shall meet on the 9th day of June, 2009 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 SUBSECTION (16) OF SECTION 14-23(a) OF ARTICLE II

OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA BY TO DESIGNATE BUATT AVENUE AS A RIGHT-OF-WAY STREET TO THE INTERSECTION WITH FOURTEENTH (14TH) STREET; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY 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 12 day of May, 2009.

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 12th day of May, 2009 in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux, and duly resolved and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AMENDING THE RESOLUTION DATED SEPTEMBER 12, 2006 AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ACADIA PARISH SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND ACADIA PARISH LAW ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL CORRECTION SERVICES FOR THE INCARCERATION OF PRE-TRIAL DETAINEES OR INMATES IN EXCESS OF THE FIFTEEN (15) SPACES/BEDS AT THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS (LDOC) PER DIEM RATE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley adopted a resolution on September 12, 2006 authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department and the Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District providing correction services for the housing and incarceration of fifteen (15) City pre-trial detainees or inmates at a per diem of Eight & No/100 (\$8.00) Dollars for each detainee/inmate; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Agreement is a companion agreement to the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Acadia Parish Police Jury which provides for fifteen (15) inmate bed spaces for municipal prisoners in the new detention facility at a per diem rate of Eight & No/100 (\$8.00) Dollars for inmates incarcerated on behalf of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, in the event the number of pre-trial detainees/inmates exceeds fifteen (15), the Sheriff and Law Enforcement District have agreed to incarcerate those pre-trial detainees/inmates for a per diem rate for each prisoner in excess of fifteen (15) at the then current Louisiana Department of Corrections (LDOC) rate approved for LDOC prisoners held in the detention facility; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen agree to accept the Sheriff's proposal and desire to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement providing for the incarceration of pre-trial detainees/inmates above fifteen (15) at the then current LDOC per diem rate;

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 Resolution adopted on September 12, 2006 be and it is hereby amended to authorize a per diem rate in excess of Eight & No/100 (\$8.00) Dollars per day of City pre-trial detainees/inmates held by the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department or the Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District in the detention facility above the fifteen (15) bed spaces provided for as aforesaid which rate shall be at the then current Louisiana Department Of Corrections (LDOC) approved per diem rate for inmate correction services and housing being received by the Sheriff; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Department and the Acadia Parish Law Enforcement District which incorporates said terms and does hereby ratify and reaffirm all other terms and conditions of the resolution previously adopted in this matter on September 12, 2006; and.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the said Greg A. Jones, Mayor, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents as may be necessary and proper under circumstances in her sole discretion to conclude said transaction.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 14th day of April, 2009.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STREETLIGHTING AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION (SLEMCO) TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING ON LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 13 (NORTH PARKERSON AVENUE) FROM THE INTERSECTION OF INTERSTATE 10 NORTH TO BAYOU PLAQUEMINE BRULEE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, SLEMCO has a non-exclusive electrical franchise from the City of Crowley in accordance with a Streetlighting Agreement executed on or about October 5,

2007, and maintains and provides at no cost to the City of Crowley fifteen (15) existing street lights north Interstate 10; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LDOTD) has completed the new Bayou Plaquemine Brulee Bridge and the resurfacing of Louisiana Highway 13 south to the intersection of Interstate 10; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley requested the installation of sixteen (16) additional street lighting fixtures mounted on eight (8) breakaway poles located in the boulevard median of Louisiana Highway 13 to enhance visibility, increase safety and to distinguish the area as a multilane highway entering the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, SLEMCO has agreed to install sixteen (16) new 250 watt high-pressure sodium lights in Cobrahead fixtures mounted on eight (8) breakaway poles for the price of Twenty-Seven Thousand & No/100 (\$27,000.00) Dollars and to provide for the maintenance, operation, repair and replacement, including electricity for the street lights, at the current monthly rate as approved by the Public Service Commission (One Hundred Forty-Two & 67/100 (\$142.67) Dollars); and thereafter at such rates as may be approved by the Public Service Commission in the future and SLEMCO shall continue to provide maintenance, operation, repair and replacement of the fifteen (15) existing street lights at no cost to the City of Crowley;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley to execute an amendment to the Streetlighting Agreement with SLEMCO for the installation of sixteen (16) new 250 watt high-pressure sodium lights in Cobrahead fixtures mounted on eight (8) breakaway poles along Louisiana Highway 13 from the intersection of Interstate 10 north to Bayou Plaquemine Brulee at a price not to exceed Twenty-Seven Thousand & No/100 (\$27,000.00) Dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that SLEMCO agrees to provide maintenance, operation, repair, replacement and utilities for the street lights and facilities at the current rate (One Hundred Forty-Two & 67/100 (\$142.67) Dollars per month) and shall continue to maintain and operate the new fixtures thereafter at such rate(s) as may be approved by the Public Service Commission and SLEMCO shall continue to maintain and operate the original fifteen (15) lights at no cost to the City of Crowley as set forth in Paragraph 3 of the Streetlighting Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other terms and conditions of the Streetlighting Agreement dated October 5, 2007 are hereby reaffirmed and ratified.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 12th day of May, 2009, 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 Laurita Pete, and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1393

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 14-23(c) OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA BY ADDING THERETO SUBSECTION (27) TO DESIGNATE AVENUE E AND 10TH STREET AS A FOUR (4) WAY STOP INTERSECTION AND TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 14-23(d) OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING THERETO SUBSECTION (4) TO DESIGNATE NORTHERN AVENUE AND WILLIAM EGAN AVENUE AS A THREE (3) WAY STOP INTERSECTION; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE 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 12th day of May, 2009, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that Avenue E and 10th Street be designated a four (4) way stop intersection and added to the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that Northern Avenue and William Egan Avenue be designated a three (3) way stop intersection and added to the Code of Ordinances;

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:

SECTION 1: That Section 14-23(c) of Article II of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley be amended and re-enacted to add Subsection (27) to designate Avenue E and 10th Street as a four (4) way stop to read as follows, to-wit:

Sec.14-23. Right-of-way streets; four-way stop intersections.

- (c) *Four-way stop intersections.*
(27) AVENUE E AND 10TH STREET

SECTION 2: That Section 14-23(d) of Article II of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley be amended and re-enacted to add Subsection (4) to designate Northern Avenue and William Egan Avenue as a three (3) way stop to read as follows, to-wit:

- (d) *Three-way stop intersections.*
(4) NORTHERN AVENUE AND WILLIAM EGAN AVENUE

SECTION 3: 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 4: 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 12th day of May, 2009, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: J. Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman Jr., Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Todd Whiting

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Donald Bernard came before the council with the request and hope of a positive outcome of an incident with the police department so that the whole community will become unified.

Mrs. Ezora Proctor thanked everyone for their support and dedication to the National Day of Prayer.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on May 18, 2009 at 10:30 a.m.
Presented for Mayor's signature on May 18, 2009 at 10:30 a.m.
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on May 22, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.