

CITY OF CROWLEY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 13, 2008

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 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 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: Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman Jr., Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting. Alderman Elliot Doré and Vernon Martin were absent.

Alderman Lyle Fogleman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Alderman Jeff Doré gave the invocation.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:**

Alderwoman Mary Melancon offered a motion to amend the agenda to consider the cost for correcting deficiencies in Bobby Smith I and II and West Crowley Subdivisions. Seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

Ms. Geri McNeal presented the “2007 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-first year the City of Crowley has been recognized as a Tree City USA.

Mrs. Dora Johnson presented a plaque in recognition of appreciation to the City of Crowley for the continued support given to “Churches Coming Together” for the past five years.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- 1) Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1383, the ordinance to “amend and re-enact ordinance no. 1242, to re-define that certain tract of land containing 12.75 acres, more or less, situated in Section 34, Township 9 South, Range 1 East, as a single residential lot; and to repeal the requirement for street lighting at specified locations” was read by title.

Mr. Thomas Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1383. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1383 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing on ordinance no. 1383 to a close.

- 2) Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1384, the ordinance “amending the budgets for the fiscal year, beginning September 1, 2007 and ending August 31, 2008” was read by title.

Mr. Thomas Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1384. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1384 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor Greg A. Jones called the public hearing on ordinance no. 1384 to a close.

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

Alderman Lyle Fogleman moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008 regular council meeting. Seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Mary Melancon 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.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PUBLIC WORKS: Alderwoman Mary Melancon, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to authorize the Mayor to contact the Drainage Board and the Police Jury for a cost sharing of the budgeted \$55,000 for the Center Ditch Revetment near Avenue A. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero for the City to actively participate as plaintiff and provide legal council with the Sixth Ward Gravity Drainage District in a law suit for damages from the dumping of large amounts of debris, including concrete and asphalt on the property abutting Bayou Blanc along the drainage canal. An amended motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogelman and seconded by Alderman Todd Whiting to authorize the City of Crowley to provide legal assistance through its attorney, Tom Regan, for the purpose of obtaining a "Temporary Restraining Order". The main motion as amended was voted on and carried with an abstention from Alderwoman Mary Melancon.

**UTILITY: Alderman Vernon Martin, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Jeff Dore' to authorize the Mayor to engage a contractor to extend sanitary sewerage service for the Puissegur, Gautreaux, and Stewart tracts on the west side of North Cherokee Road just north of I-10. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC SAFETY: Alderman Todd Whiting, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to table the call for a public hearing to proceed with condemnation of the property located on Standard Mill Road described as Lot 8, Block 6, Standard Mill Subdivision owned by Alvin Landry c/o Shella Poullard. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to amend the vicious animal ordinance to include the verbiage "until courts renders a decision". Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to approve the purchase of a 2008 Ford Crown Victoria Police unit with the accessories in the amount of \$26,184. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to approve the bid from Decatur Electronics for the in-car video systems in the amount of \$79,620. Motion carried.

**INSURANCE & PERSONNEL: Councilwoman Laurita Pete, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to accept St. Paul Travelers' property and casualty insurance proposal as presented by Landry Harris & Co. effective May 11, 2008 to May 11, 2009 in the amount of \$368,227. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderman Todd Whiting to accept FARA's claims administration renewal proposal as presented by Landry Harris & Co. effective May 11, 2008 to May 10, 2010 with an annual administration fee in the amount of \$2,800. Motion carried.

**REVENUE & FINANCES: Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Todd Whiting to extend the LACE Program for 90 days that will end August 31, 2008. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to approve a Resolution authorizing the submission to LDEQ of a revised draft of the Sewer User and Pretreatment Ordinance of Article I and Article II of Chapter 10 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley for review and approval of mandatory revisions required by LDEQ and EPA. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor to engage Neef Engineering Corporation to review current local discharge limits and to determine whether revision of any discharge limit(s) for commercial and industrial users is necessary for the renewal of NPEDS Permit and to authorize the funding for engineering fees, consulting fees, lab testing and analysis of influent and effluent samples in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to amend the ordinance to revise the Sewer User and Pretreatment Ordinance fee schedule. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to amend the budget for the purchase of a 2008 Ford Crown Victoria Police unit with the accessories in the amount of \$26,184 to be funded from General Fund. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, 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, Earline Alcock, by the City Inspector's office for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on Lot 14 of Block 3 of S. Stutes Addition, having a municipal address of 1819 James Street, 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 Earline Alcock for a public hearing to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 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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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting, 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, 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, Earl Grant, Jr. by the City Inspector's office for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on Lot 14 of Block 5 of Walker Addition, having a municipal address of 926 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, 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 Earl Grant Jr. for a public hearing to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 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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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting, 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, People's Investment Company, Inc. by the City Inspector's office for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on Lot 16 of Block 6 of Walker Addition, having a municipal address of 315 Western Avenue 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 People's Investment Company Inc. for a public hearing to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 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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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ANIMAL CONTROL WARDEN TO FILE A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE IN DISTRICT COURT TO DECLARE DOGS DANGEROUS OR VICIOUS; TO AUTHORIZE LEGAL COUNSEL FOR SAME AND THE CITY IN THIS MATTER; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, state law requires a District Court to determine whether a dog is dangerous or vicious animal or an immediate threat to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley does not provide for such procedure; and

WHEREAS, the Animal Control Warden has requested authorization to file proceedings in the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court and requested legal counsel and assistance of the City Attorney;

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 Horace Vail in his Official Capacity as Animal Control Warden for and on behalf of the City of Crowley to file such proceedings and charges in the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court under State Law as may be necessary to declare dogs dangerous, vicious or an immediate threat to public health and safety; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Attorney is hereby authorized to provide legal counsel and represent the City and the Animal Control Warden in the prosecution of said matters;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008, in 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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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION AND RELEASE OF THE TWO-YEAR BOND FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE J.J. GIELEN SUBDIVISION FOR JULIA JOHN PROPERTIES, L.L.C. ET AL; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley accepted the improvements constructed by McWhorter Properties, L.L.C. on behalf of Julia John Properties, L.L.C. in the J.J. Gielen Subdivision; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of the acceptance, Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company and McWhorter and Company, Inc. posted bonds guarantying the workmanship and materials to be free from defects; and

WHEREAS, the two-year period for the second bond has expired and the City of Crowley desire to cancel and release said bond.

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 release and discharge Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company and McWhorter and Company, Inc. from any and all obligations of that certain bond issued by Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company in the amount of \$176,000.00 dated June 5, 2006 for the improvements constructed in the Julia John Subdivision; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute any and all releases, discharges and other documents as may be meet and proper in the premises to complete said transaction in his sole discretion.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008, in 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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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A LETTER OF CREDIT IN A REDUCED AMOUNT FOR THE COMPLETION OF INFRASTRUCTURE FOR BOBBY SMITH SUBDIVISION I AND II; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, Bobby Smith Subdivision Limited Partnerships I and II has requested a reduction in the amount of the Letter of Credit posted as security for the completion of the infrastructure of the Bobby Smith Subdivision I and II; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has performed an inspection and provided a list of requirements for completion and recommended the amount of security to be reduced to \$530,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Bobby Smith Subdivision Limited Partnerships I and II remains fully obligated to complete all the infrastructure in accordance with the plans and specifications required by law and has advised that it has held substantial retainage from the contractor to ensure performance of the necessary work required to complete the infrastructure;

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 the acceptance of a Letter of Credit in the amount of \$530,000.00 in lieu of bond for completion of infrastructure for Bobby Smith Subdivision I and II in accordance with the plans and specifications and subject to final approval by the City Engineer and acceptance for public ownership and maintenance by the City;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008, in 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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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A LETTER OF CREDIT IN A

REDUCED AMOUNT FOR THE COMPLETION OF  
INFRASTRUCTURE FOR WEST CROWLEY  
SUBDIVISION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS  
RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, West Crowley Subdivision Limited Partnership has requested a reduction in the amount of the Letter of Credit posted as security for the completion of the infrastructure of the West Crowley Subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has performed an inspection and provided a list of requirements for completion and recommended the amount of security to be reduced to \$474,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the West Crowley Limited Partnership remains fully obligated to complete all the infrastructure in accordance with the plans and specifications required by law and has advised that it has held substantial retainage from the contractor to ensure performance of the necessary work required to complete the infrastructure;

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 the acceptance of a Letter of Credit in the amount of \$474,000.00 in lieu of bond for completion of infrastructure for West Crowley Subdivision in accordance with the plans and specifications and subject to final approval by the City Engineer and acceptance for public ownership and maintenance by the City;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008, in 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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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

**ORDINANCES:**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1383

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT ORDINANCE NO. 1242 OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, TO RE-DEFINE THAT CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 12.75 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AS A SINGLE RESIDENTIAL LOT; TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR STREET LIGHTING AT SPECIFIED LOCATIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith ON IN CONFLICT HERETO.

WHEREAS, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2001, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley approved Ordinance No. 1242 annexing 12.75 acres situated in Section 34, Township 9 South, Range 1 East, as a residential subdivision of twenty-five (25) residential lots zoned "R-1, Residential" as part of Ward 2; and

WHEREAS, Section 4 of Ordinance No. 1242 required street light fixtures to be situated at the lot lines between specific lots as identified on the Preliminary Plat of Elder Estates Subdivision in lieu of the minimum spacing requirements of the Subdivision Ordinance as approved in the construction plans and specifications of Elder Estates Subdivision by the City; and

WHEREAS, the property owners failed to develop the property into a residential subdivision per the construction plans and specifications and the Preliminary Plat approved by the City; and

WHEREAS, the property owners have signed an agreement to sell the property for use as a single residential lot and have received a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission to allow the withdrawal of the Preliminary Plat of for Elder Estates Subdivision and that the property be recognized as a single residential lot; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance has been duly introduced and notice of the public hearing for this ordinance having been published in the official journal; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing having been held in accordance with law on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana and there being no objection from adjacent property owners or adverse comments from the public and it appearing it is in the best interest of the property owner and the neighborhood that the property be recognized as a single residential lot to be known as "Property of Mark Cullen"; and

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

SECTION 1: Section 4 of Ordinance No. 1242 of the City of Crowley be and it is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows, to-wit:

SECTION 4: The hereinafter described property is hereby recognized the below described property as a single residential lot shown on the Plat of Survey dated February 22, 2008 as "Property of Mark Cullen", to-wit:

That certain tract or parcel of land containing 12.75 acres, more or less, being situated in Section 34, Township 9 South, Range 1 East, and being bound now or formerly as follows: On the North by lands of Beatrice Bartell, East by lands of Beatrice Bartell, Southeast by lands of Joseph Freeland, Southwest by lands of Subdivision of Freeland Addition. This being the same tract acquired by Harold Elder from American Milling Company on 17 July 1961, as recorded in the conveyance records of Acadia Parish, LA, under file number 322496.

SECTION 2: All other sections of Ordinance No. 1242 be and they are hereby re-enacted.

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 there 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 hereto be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Elliot Doré and Vernon Martin

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1384

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2007 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2008; 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 that the following Amended Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized.

Account Name	Original 2007-2008 Budget	Previously Amended 2008 Budget	Amendment	Current Amended 2008 Budget
<b>REVENUES</b>				
General Fund				
Grants & Loans	40,610	40,610	72,250	112,860
Other Revenues	725,150	725,150	30,000	755,150
Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund 1997 Street Imp.				
Other Revenue	24,000	24,000	8,000	32,000
		<u>Total Revenues</u>	<u>110,250</u>	

Account Name	Original 2007-2008 Budget	Previously Amended 2008 Budget	Amendment	Current Amended 2008 Budget
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
<b>General Fund</b>				
<b>General Administration Department</b>				
Repairs & Supplies	32,100	32,100	900	33,000
Operational Expense	199,700	199,700	60,500	260,200
Account Name	Original 2007-2008 Budget	Previously Amended 2008 Budget	Amendment	Current Amended 2008 Budget
<b>Police Department</b>				
Salary & Fringe	1,637,000	1,637,000	30,000	16,600
Repairs & Supplies	156,100	156,100	27,000	183,100
Capital Outlays	129,110	129,110	89,500	218,610
Other Expense	124,325	168,325	3,500	171,825
<b>Fire Department</b>				
Repairs & Supplies	84,300	84,300	2,950	87,250
Capital Outlays	10,000	25,128	42,625	67,753
<b>Code Enforcement Department</b>				
Operational Expense	22,700	22,700	7,775	30,475
Capital Outlays	0	0	12,375	12,375
<b>Street Department</b>				
Repairs & Supplies	177,750	177,750	20,500	198,250
Capital Outlays	360,000	857,150	678,850	1,536,000
<b>Public Works Department</b>				
Repairs & Supplies	75,500	83,750	25,250	109,000
Capital Outlays	10,000	96,000	55,000	151,000
<b>Youth Recreation Operation</b>				
Repairs & Supplies	207,500	207,500	3,250	210,750
Capital Outlays	0	72,375	22,625	95,000
<b>Youth Recreation Building Maintenance</b>				
Repairs & Supplies	53,850	73,850	7,000	80,850
Other Expense	60,650	80,650	18,175	98,825
<b>Cemetery Development</b>				
Repairs & Supplies	100	100	36,900	37,000
<b>Rice Theater</b>				
Salary & Fringe	11,915	11,915	5,000	16,915
Repairs & Supplies	15,200	20,200	2,000	22,200
Other Expense	11,485	11,485	1,600	13,085
<b>Utility Fund</b>				
<b>Utility Administrative Department</b>				
Operational Expense	624,085	624,085	(355,000)	269,085
<b>Disposal Department</b>				
Repairs & Supplies	81,250	81,250	1,750	83,000

Account Name	Original 2007-2008 Budget	Previously Amended 2008 Budget	Amendment	Current Amended 2008 Budget
Sewage Department				
Repairs & Supplies	144,325	144,325	1,275	145,600
Capital Outlays	410,000	459,000	(459,000)	0
Inflow / Infiltration Department				
Repairs & Supplies	10,000	10,000	1,500	11,500
Sewer Cleaner Department				
Repairs & Supplies	3,500	3,500	1,000	4,500
Other Expense	0	0	9,282	9,282
Employee Benefit				
Other Expense	582,890	582,890	300,000	882,890
Account Name	Original 2007-2008 Budget	Previously Amended 2008 Budget	Amendment	Current Amended 2008 Budget
Workmen's Compensation				
Other Expense	50,575	50,575	24,425	75,000
			<u>Total Expenditures</u>	<u>678,507</u>

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)

General Fund				
Operating Transfers In	4,911,065	539,775	59,500	5,457,215
1 & 1/2 Cent Sales Tax				
Operating Transfers Out	3,913,600	3,928,975	357,575	4,286,550
1/2 Cent Sales Tax - Street Improvement				
Operating Transfers Out	771,415	1,258,065	204,985	1,463,050
Youth Recreation Operation				
Operating Transfers In	457,950	473,325	50,125	523,450
Rice Theater				
Operating Transfers In	42,550	42,550	7,450	50,000
Utility Fund				
Operating Transfers In	0	0	507,650	507,650
Operating Transfers Out	72,100	72,100	507,650	579,750
Employee Benefit				
Operating Transfers In	0	0	300,000	300,000
Sales Tax Bond Sinking Fund 1997 Street Imp.				
Operating Transfers In	471,415	471,415	145,485	616,900

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the amounts shall be available for expenditures only to the extent and only as included within the amended 2007-2008 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Elliot Doré and Vernon Martin

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor on May 15, 2008 at 3:00 p.m.  
Presented for Mayor's signature on May 19 2008 at 8:30 a.m.  
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008 at 10:45 a.m.