

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 13, 2006

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 13th day of June, 2006, at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor de la Houssaye presided with the following Aldermen present: Nelson Arceneaux, Dr. James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, and Kitty Valdetero. Alderman Ira Thomas was absent.

Alderman Buatt led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Vernon "Step" Martin gave the invocation.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor de la Houssaye opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1338, the ordinance on "special exception to permit the sale of fireworks" was read by title.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1338. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1338 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor de la Houssaye called the public hearing to a close.

Mayor de la Houssaye opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1339, the ordinance to "amend the fiscal 2006 budget" was read by title.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1339. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1339 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

Mayor de la Houssaye called the public hearing to a close.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderman Marceaux moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the May 9, 2006 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Valdetero moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the April 20th, 2006 special council meeting; and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Melancon moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the May 17th, 2006 special council meeting; and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

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

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor de la Houssaye 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 2006 to the budgeted revenues and expenditures of the same period.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS:

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Melancon, duly seconded by Alderwoman Pete, and duly resolved and adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY FOR AN URBAN FORESTRY MATCHING GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Parkerson Avenue Redevelopment Project will recreate the look of the Historic Parkerson Avenue by replacing the City's grass medians and trees in the Downtown Historic District as well as resurfacing Parkerson Avenue, reconstructing sidewalks and adding handicap accessibility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley desires to plant trees located in the bulb outs of Parkerson Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley is a recognized Tree City USA and has complied with all requirements as a Tree City, including the adoption of ordinances and regulations which are vigorously enforced; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley Department of Public Works has a fully trained tree crew which is responsible for inspecting, maintaining, pruning and trimming all trees and removing and disposing of diseased and dead trees and a full-time landscaping crew which is responsible for general maintenance of City medians and rights of ways, including ornamental trees; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley is in need of a matching grant to provide adequate funding to assist in the purchase and planting of these trees which the City feels will add a new feel to the downtown area and will be a great asset to the urban forest; and

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 Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to file application for an urban forestry matching grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 on behalf of the City of Crowley to the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry for assistance in purchasing and planting trees in the bulb outs of Parkerson Avenue; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor, be and she is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute an appropriate application and all such other documents as may be necessary and proper in the premises on behalf of the City of Crowley and forward same to the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13th day of June, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to reject the bid for the East Andrus Street and West Andrus LCDBG FY 2004–2005 Street Improvements Project. Seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to authorize Mader Engineering to propose the change to “option 3” for the East and West Andrus Street Improvements Project to the State Block Grant Office. This option would be to install the new drainage, but provide only for removal and replacement of the failed concrete roadway and curbing at a cost in the range of \$550,000 to \$650,000. If approval is received from the state the authorization is given to Mader Engineering to proceed with the plans and specifications with an amendment to their engineering contract for the patching. Seconded by Alderman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to approve Change Order No. 1 to the contract with Le Talley Ho Construction Co. for the 2005-06 Street Repair contract to add several items of work in the amount of \$38,600.00. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to authorize the Mayor to engage the services of Wastewater Services, Inc. to provide cleaning and TVing of the culverts on both sides of Hockaday Street from Eastern Avenue to Highway 90. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

UTILITY:

Alderman Arceneaux offered a motion to accept the bid of \$59,500 from Certified Equipment Sales and Service for the purchase of a camel truck. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Arceneaux offered a motion to declare LAS scrap material as surplus and authorize the City Clerk to advertise for bids to sell it. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Arceneaux offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 3 to M. P. Dumesnil Construction for the North of I-10 Sewage Improvements contract in the amount of \$216,353.23. Seconded by Alderman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Arceneaux offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 3 to Construction Pro, Inc. for the 2005-06 I/I Rehabilitation Program contract in the amount of \$41,601.31. Seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Arceneaux offered a motion to authorize Mader Engineering to re-apply for a new wastewater treatment plant discharge permit in accordance with the current LPDES permit. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Buatt, duly seconded by Alderman 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 regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 14-23(d) OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA BY ADDING THERETO SUBSECTION (3) TO DESIGNATE WESTERN AVENUE AND MILL STREET AS A THREE WAY STOP INTERSECTION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY 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 11th day of July, 2006, 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 SECTION 14-23(d) OF CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA BY ADDING THERETO SUBSECTION (3) TO DESIGNATE WESTERN AVENUE AND MILL STREET AS A THREE WAY STOP INTERSECTION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY 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 13 day of June, 2006.

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13th day of June, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Buatt, duly seconded by Alderwoman Pete, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE
PARISH MITIGATION PLANNING PROCESS AND

ADOPTION OF THE PARISH-WIDE HAZARD
MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Police Jury has received grant funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, through the Louisiana Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, for the preparation of a hazard mitigation plan and;

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, specifically Section 322, addresses local mitigation planning and it requires local governments to develop and submit plans as a condition of receiving Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds, and;

WHEREAS, post-disaster mitigation funds are only available to those communities with an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan, and;

WHEREAS, the State Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness focuses local mitigation planning at the Parish level and they encourage local governments to participate in the Parish mitigation planning process.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Crowley approves participation in the parish mitigation planning process in developing a parish-wide hazard mitigation plan and adoption of the final Federal Emergency Management Agency approved plan.

WHEREUPON, this Resolution was submitted to a vote that resulted in the following:

YEAS: Nelson Arceneaux, Dr. James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Ira Thomas

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

A motion was offered by Alderman Buatt and seconded by Alderwoman Melancon to approve the following:

Brinker Louisiana	2006 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit
d/b/a Chili's Grill & Bar located	2006 Class A Retail Outlet Liquor Permit
827 Oddfellows Road.	

Motion carried.

ZONING & ANNEXATION:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Marceaux, duly seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero, and duly resolved and adopted with Alderman Buatt and Melancon voting nay.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, INTRODUCING A PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING SAME.

WHEREAS, an ordinance has been proposed to be adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley; and

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

WHEREAS, a public hearing must be held prior to its adoption; and

WHEREAS, the title of the proposed ordinance must be published in the official journal and the notice shall provide the time and place where the Board will consider its adoption;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, that the following ordinance be and it is hereby introduced for consideration at the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 3.1 AND SECTION 3.9 OF APPENDIX A, THE ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 1059 OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO PROVIDE FOR A NEW CLASSIFICATION FOR “C-3-A HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT – RESTRICTED”; TO REVISE “C-3 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT” TO CONFORM WITH THE USES UNDER THE NEW CLASSIFICATION; TO PROVIDE AND DEFINE THE PERMITTED USES AND LIMITATIONS IN THE RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS; TO REZONE ALL PROPERTY WITHIN THAT CERTAIN AREA BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY AVENUE G, ON THE SOUTH BY 10TH STREET AND ON THE NORTH BY 15TH STREET PRESENTLY ZONED “C-1” TO “C-3-A”; TO PROVIDE THE PROVISIONS THEROF TO BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONTRARY THERETO AND/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 11th day of July, 2006, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

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CONTRARY THERETO AND/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 13th day of June, 2006.

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the
13th day of June, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

PUBLIC BUILDING:

Alderman Premeaux offered a motion to authorize the Mayor to receive 3 quotes for a generator for the first floor of City Hall. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted with Alderman Istre voting nay.

Alderman Buatt offered a motion to authorize Mayor de la Houssaye to get quotes to connect the generator and repair the gas lines at the South Crowley substation Seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero and duly adopted.

INSURANCE & PERSONNEL:

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to promote Reginald Richard from Probational Police Officer to Permanent Police Officer effective 1/29/06. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to approve extended sick leave to Ricky Spell effective May 11, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to confirm Damian Gautreaux from Probational Fire Driver to Permanent Fire Driver effective June 14, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to confirm Daniel N. Miller from Probational Fire Captain to Permanent Fire Captain effective April 28, 2006. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to confirm Louis Romero, Jr. from Probational Fire Captain to Permanent Fire Captain effective June 1, 2006. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to confirm Richard Heinen from Probational District Fire Chief to Permanent District Fire Chief effective June 14, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to confirm Louis J. Viator from Probational Fire Chief to Permanent Fire Chief effective June 1, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to provide a salary increase to the Fire

Department's base pay from 1,259.00 to \$1,635.00 per month and promotions to follow with the \$85 increase after 3 months be eliminated effective July 1, 2006 and refer to Revenue and Finance. Seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Pete, duly seconded by Alderman Marceaux, 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 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 (b) OF SECTION 2-4 OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO FIX THE COMPENSATION OF THE FIRE CHIEF OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONTRARY THERETO AND/OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley that the City Clerk shall publish the following notice in the Crowley Post Signal:

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

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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 13th day of June, 2006.

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED on this the 13th day of June, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Alderswoman Pete offered a motion to discontinue the practice of paying the firemen \$300.00 a month during their first year of employment in supplement of the State Supplemental Pay of \$300.00 that begins after the first year of employment and refer to Revenue & Finance. Seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly adopted.

RECREATION:

Alderswoman Pete offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 7 for the Release of Retainage to Cecil Perry Improvements, Ltd. for Recreational Facilities Sidewalk Improvements Phase II in the amount of \$9,364.43. Seconded by Alderswoman Melancon and duly adopted.

REVENUE & FINANCES:

Alderswoman Valdetero offered a motion to amend the Fiscal 2006 budget to reflect the Fire Department's salary increase of \$35,000.00 effective July 1st, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly adopted.

Alderswoman Valdetero offered a motion to provide a salary increase to the Fire Department's base pay from 1,259.00 to \$1,635.00 per month plus the step increases and to eliminate the \$85 increase after 3 months and also the \$300.00 a month supplement during their first year of employment, effective July 1, 2006. Seconded by Alderman Marceaux and duly adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderswoman Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Marceaux, 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.

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 for the time and place where the Board will consider its adoption.

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 BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2005 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2006; 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:

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley shall meet on the 11th day of July 2006 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, LA, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2005 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2006; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

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 13th day of June, 2006.

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13th day of June, 2006, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

RESOLUTIONS:

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

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ADOPTING THE AD VALOREM MILLAGE RATE ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE YEAR 2006

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley having received notice from the Honorable Russell Benoit, Assessor of the Parish of Acadia, that the

taxable value of all property subject to taxation within the City of Crowley will be approximately the same as the year 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley must fix the ad valorem millage rates for the tax year 2006; and

WHEREAS, there is no necessity to adjust the millage rate since the taxable value of all property taxable in the City of Crowley is approximately the same for the year 2006 as in 2005;

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, with the agenda having been posted on City Hall where the meetings of the Board of Aldermen are usually held, more then twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting, the following ad valorem millage rates, be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the corporate boundaries of the City of Crowley for the year 2006 for the purpose of raising revenue, to-wit”

Ad Valorem Millage 2006

Corporate Tax	7.00	Mills
Street Improvement & Bond Service Debt	5.00	Mills
Public Buildings & Drainage	5.00	Mills
Public Recreation & Parks Tax	3.00	Mills
Disposal Plant Maintenance Tax	3.50	Mills
Cemetery Maintenance Tax	.75	Mills
Youth Recreation Building Tax	1.00	Mills
Fireman & Policeman Salary Fund	<u>5.00</u>	<u>Mills</u>
Total	30.25	Mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Honorable Russell Benoit, Assessor of the Parish of Acadia, be and he shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2006 the taxes herein levied, and the Tax Collector of said parish shall collect and remit the same to the said City of Crowley in accordance with law.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted on the 13th day of June, 2006 by more than a two-thirds majority of the total membership of the Board of Aldermen voting in favor thereof after having been submitted to a vote and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Nelson Arceneaux, Dr. James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Ira Thomas

ISABELLA L. DE LA HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

ORDINANCES:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1338

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND RE-ENACT SECTION 8-4(C)(1) TO EXTEND A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO PERMIT THE SALE OF FIREWORKS UNTIL JANUARY 2, 2009, TO APPLY TO THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF INTERSTATE 10, LOUISIANA HIGHWAY 13 AND STEWARTVILLE ROAD ANNEXED BY ORDINANCE NO. 1256; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONTRARY THERETO AND/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 13th day of June, 2006 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana; and

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

SECTION 1: Section 8-4(c)(1) of Article I of Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Crowley be and the same is hereby amended and re-enacted to extend the special exemption to read as follows, to-wit:

Sec. 8-4. Same – Illegal sale.

(c) *Special Exemptions.*

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions hereof, this section shall not apply to that certain property located adjacent and contiguous to the northeast corner of the intersection of Interstate 10, Louisiana Highway 13 and Stewartville Road which was annexed by Ordinance No. 1256 until January 2, 2009.

SECTION 2: 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 and phrases will not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect; and

SECTION 3: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed; and

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED on this the 13th day of June, 2006, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Nelson Arceneaux, Dr. James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Ira Thomas

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following Ordinance was offered by Alderwoman Pete, duly seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero and duly ordained and adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 1339

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2005 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2006; 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 13th day of June, 2006 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 13th day of June, 2006 that the following Amended Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized

Account Name	Current Proposed Amendment	Amended Budget 2005-2006
General Fund Budget		
Police Expenditures		
Capital Outlay	75,325	100,696
Utility Fund – Sewage Budget		
Inflow / Infiltration Expenditures		
Capital Outlays	45,575	56,675

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the amounts shall be available for expenditures only to the extent and only as included within the amended 2005-2006 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, Isabella L. de la Houssaye, is hereby authorized and in her sole discretion, to make such changes within the various budget classifications as she 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 13th day of June, 2006 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Nelson Arceneaux, Dr. James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Ira Thomas

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, 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 Buatt and seconded by Alderwoman Pete the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor on June 14, 2006 at 5:15 p.m.
Presented for Mayor 's signature on June 20, 2006 at 10:00a.m.
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on June 21, 2006 at 3:00 p.m.