

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 10, 2007

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday the 10th day of July, 2007 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Greg A. Jones presided with the following Aldermen present: 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 Alderwoman Laurita Pete gave the invocation.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

Alderwoman Mary Melancon offered a motion to consider the hiring of two police officers. Seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

Alderman Steven Premeaux offered a motion to consider an enhanced method of providing electricity on Parkerson Avenue during Rice Festival. Seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

PRESENTATION:

Shawn Clement, representing Assist Agency, presented Vernon Martin a plaque for his years of service with their agency.

APPEARANCES:

Representative Gill Pinac came before the assembly to summarize the legislative session and state his desire to serve as State Senator.

Mr. Jack Montoucet made it known that his intentions are to seek the seat of State Representative of District 42.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on Rule to Show Cause for Condemnation of Property on Lot 7 of Block 9 of the Westside Addition, having a municipal address of 827 Marcel Thomas Street, Crowley, Louisiana belonging to Vera & Wilson Comeaux and Odile C. Davis. City Inspector, Danny Hebert said he found the building was not in compliance with building codes. Ms. Leona Batiste and Ms. Cheryl Davis were present to represent the owners of the property and their intent to restore the property.

Mayor Jones called the public hearing to a close.

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on Rule to Show Cause for Condemnation of Property on Lot 10 of Block 56 of the CICO Addition, having a municipal address of 512 East Elm Street, Crowley, Louisiana belonging to Thelma Reese. City Inspector, Danny Hebert said he found the building was not in compliance with building codes. No one was present to represent the owners of the property.

Mayor Jones called the public hearing to a close.

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on Rule to Show Cause for Condemnation of Property on Lot 10 of Block 56 of the CICO Addition, having a municipal address of 512 East Elm Street, Crowley, Louisiana belonging to the Parish of Acadia. City Inspector, Danny Hebert said he found the building was not in compliance with building codes. No one was present to represent the owners of the property.

Mayor Jones called the public hearing to a close.

Mayor Greg A. Jones opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1366, the ordinance to “amend the fiscal 2007 budget” was read by title.

Mayor Jones asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1366. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1366 was made and there were no comments after the third and final call.

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

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES / BILLS:

Alderman Vernon Martin moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the June 12th, 2007 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderman Lyle Fogleman moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the June 28th, 2007 special council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Mary Melancon moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero 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 Vernon Martin to approve Partial Payment No. 4 to R. Cloud Construction Company for the East Andrus Street and West Andrus Street LCDBG FY '04 – '05 Street Improvements Project in the amount of \$116,907.28. Motion carried.

A motion was offered Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to approve Partial Payment No. 8 to Quality Construction Specialist under the Work Order #1 for the FY 2005-2006 Crack Routing, Cleaning, and Sealing Contract in the amount of \$71,883. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to allow First Baptist Church to remove the sidewalks located at Avenue H and 4th Street. The City will assist them by providing the labor and they will provide the materials to re-install the sidewalks on Avenue H and on 4th Street that will be located four feet to the east and north of the oak trees, contingent upon the area being in the city right of way. Motion carried

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to delete white limestone from the 2007-08 Annual Material Contract specifications. Motion carried

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to accept the bid of \$122,144 from Le Talley Ho Construction Co. for the 2007-2008 City Wide Street Repair project and authorize Mayor Jones to enter into contract with Le Talley Ho Construction Co. at a probable cost between \$145,000 and \$150,000 for the total project. Motion carried.

UTILITY: Alderman Vernon Martin, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to approve Partial Payment No. 16 to M. P. Dumesnil Construction Company for the North of I-10 Sewage Improvements contract in the amount of \$111,961.36. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to authorize the Mayor to send a letter of complaint to Centerpoint Energy regarding the processing fee incurred by the consumer on payment of their utility bill at an agent located in Crowley. Centerpoint Energy has closed their Crowley public payment center. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Alderman Todd Whiting, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to create a line item in the Fire Department for fire trucks with an annual payment of approximately \$66,000 with a five year payout. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to research for the design of an ordinance on nuisance that prohibits the continued illegal activity on premises such as fighting etc. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to install a "No Parking" sign at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church on Avenue M between the Rectory and the Family Center and the parking lot. Motion carried.

ZONING & ANNEXATION: Alderman Elliot Doré, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to introduce an ordinance to approve annexation to R-1 and approve the Preliminary and Final Plat for Acadia Oaks Estates Phase II described as 5.067 ac, Lots 33-35, located in Sec 32, T 9, 1 E, Acadia Parish, La. contingent upon approval of the City Attorney and Designated Review Agent, annexation, & utilities be made available. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to call for a public hearing on August 14, 2007 to consider annexation to R-1 and approve the Preliminary and Final Plat for Acadia Oaks Estates Phase II described as 5.067 ac, Lots 33-35, located in Sec 32, T 9, 1 E, Acadia Parish, La. Motion carried.

PUBLIC BUILDING: Alderman Lyle Fogleman, Jr., Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to approve Partial Payment No. 13 to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc. for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center in the amount of \$35,106.30. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to approve Change Order No. 4 in the amount of \$7,738 to the contract with to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc for the renovations to the Criminal Justice Center. The change order would add Item #1: at the existing jail/office, provide and install flooring, suspended ceiling, a/c ductwork, and grills; including corridor to existing jail cells and Item #2: to provide for exterior metal letters to read "City Court", police station another signage for security and fire marshal final review. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to authorize the City Attorney to proceed with further action on the plaster issue at the Central Fire Station building. Motion carried.

INSURANCE & PERSONNEL: Alderwoman Laurita Pete, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to introduce an ordinance to approve the proposed sick leave policy. The proposed change would reduce the fifteen days of sick leave to ten days of sick leave with a maximum of 30 days accumulation (3 years) Five days would be added as personal days, based on the approval of an application for leave by the department head, personal days would not be eligible for accumulation. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to call for a public hearing on August 14, 2007 on the proposed ordinance on sick leave policy. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to confirm Clay Cormier from Provisional Fire Captain to Probational Fire Captain effective June 13, 2007. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to promote Justin Dedear from Recruit Firefighter to Probational Firefighter effective June 15, 2007. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to hire Ashton Navarre as Probational Firefighter pending results of physical examination & drug screening. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Laurita Pete and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to promote Corporal Damon Broussard from Permanent Corporal to Probational Sergeant effective July 13, 2007. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Todd Whiting to promote Charles Broussard from Permanent Patrolman to Probational Corporal effective July 13, 2007. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Alderman Jeff Doré, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderman Jeff Doré and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to adopt a resolution for an application to the Office of Community Development, Local Government Assistance Program to renovate the restroom facilities at the M. L. King Center in the amount of \$50,000 with a match of \$10,000. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Jeff Doré and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to adopt a resolution for the Transportation Enhancement Program to apply for the Parkerson Avenue Downtown Redevelopment Project in the amount of \$300,000 with a 5% match of \$15,000. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Jeff Doré and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to authorize the Mayor to explore and negotiate alternate plans of economic development for the territory north of I-10. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to authorize the purchase of eight electrical panels to upgrade the wiring for electricity on Parkerson Avenue during Rice Festival. The estimated cost of \$10,000 will be paid from General Fund's fund balance. Motion carried.

REVENUE & FINANCES: Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, Chairperson

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to accept the proposal to provide auditing services from Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, CPA for the year ending August 31, 2007. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to authorize the Mayor to sign the engagement letter to contract with Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, CPA for audit services for the year ending August 31, 2007. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to adopt a resolution authorizing the adoption of the LA Compliance Questionnaire for audit engagements of governmental entities for the fiscal year 2007 with Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, CPA. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to authorize a resolution calling for a public hearing to consider the adoption of the annual budget for the fiscal year 2008. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderwoman Laurita Pete to authorize a resolution calling for a public hearing to consider setting the compensation of the Mayor and other officers and officials. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to authorize the Mayor Pro-Tem to execute the loan documents at First National Bank for a standby letter of credit including the Promissory Note and Pledge of City funds for the city's self-insured worker's compensation plan. Motion carried with Alderman Steven Premeaux abstaining.

A motion was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to accept the initial grant from Louisiana Construction Council Grant for \$17,000 to reimburse the city for one vehicle, one computer, training and books. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to authorize the application of future grants from Louisiana Construction Council Grant. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to declare as junk, remove from inventory and dispose of the items listed in "attachment A" that were not sold at the public auction held on July 5, 2007. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and unanimously carried:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING THE CONDEMNATION OF IMPROVEMENTS ON LOTS 7 OF BLOCK 9, OF THE WESTSIDE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CROWLEY, LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS, a Condemnation Hearing was held regarding the above described property on the 10th day of July, 2007; and

WHEN AFTER considering the evidence presented, the testimony of all parties interested, after due consideration of the circumstances and condition of the building, the report of the Building Inspector; 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 order the building and/or structures situated on Lot 7, Block 9, Westside Addition, being the property of Wilson & Vera Comeaux and Odile C. Davis having a municipal address of 827 Marcel Thomas Street, Crowley, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby condemned; and

IT IS 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 ninety (90) days from the date of receipt of notice; and

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened on this the 10th day of July, 2007 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux, duly seconded by Alderman Todd Whiting and unanimously carried:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING THE CONDEMNATION OF IMPROVEMENTS ON LOT 10 BLOCK 56, CICO ADDITION OF CROWLEY, LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS, a Condemnation Hearing was held regarding the above described property on the 10th day of July, 2007; and

WHEN AFTER considering the evidence presented, the testimony of all parties interested, after due consideration of the circumstances and condition of the building, the report of the Building Inspector; 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 order the building and/or structures situated on Lot 10, Block 56, CICO Addition City of Crowley being the property of Ms. Thelma Roy Reese having a municipal address of 512 East Elm Street, Crowley, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby condemned; and

IT IS 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 thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of notice; and

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened on this the 10th day of July, 2007 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting, duly seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and unanimously carried:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING THE CONDEMNATION OF IMPROVEMENTS ON LOT 6 AND THE NORTH ½ OF LOT 5, BLOCK 173, ORIGINAL CITY CROWLEY, LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS, a Condemnation Hearing was held regarding the above described property on the 10th day of July, 2007; and

WHEN AFTER considering the evidence presented, the testimony of all parties interested, after due consideration of the circumstances and condition of the building, the report of the Building Inspector; 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 order the building and/or structures situated on Lot 6 and the North ½ of Lot 5 Block 173, Original City of Crowley being the property of Parish of Acadia having a municipal address of 1122 North Avenue D, Crowley Louisiana, be and the same is hereby condemned; and

IT IS 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 thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of notice; and

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened on this the 10th day of July, 2007 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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 unanimously carried

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, APPROVING THE PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION FOR ACADIA OAKS ESTATE PHASE II AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the owners/developers of Acadia Oaks Estate, Phase II submitted a Preliminary and Final Plat of subdivision with dedication of easements and servitude for streets, drainage and utilities for public use, and will submit plans and specifications and performance bond for construction of utilities for Phase II of Acadia Oaks Estates; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley Planning Commission issued a written recommendation to approve annexation and the Preliminary and Final Plat of the subdivision of Acadia Oaks Estate Phase II, and accept the dedication of easements and rights of way for streets, drainage and utilities for the City of Crowley with written recommendation dated June 27, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the City Council's Zoning and Annexation Committee recommended the annexation of the subdivision and approval of the Preliminary and Final Plat contingent upon review and approval by the City Attorney and the City Engineer (Designated Review Agent), and upon utility services being installed; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer (Designated Review Agent) has reviewed the Preliminary and Final Plat and will review the plans, specifications and estimated construction cost for the performance bond to help insure that the requirements of the subdivision ordinance and such matters will be complied with; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Board of Aldermen that the subdivision and development of Phase II should be accepted and approved subject to the contingencies and requirements expressed herein;

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 accept the Preliminary and Final plat of subdivision and dedicate, authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor, City of Crowley, to execute and accept same and do further approve for construction of utilities for Acadia Oaks Estate Phase II subject to the approval of the City Attorney and City Engineer (Designated Review Agent); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this approval be conditioned upon the developer's posting required performance bonds for the construction of the cost of utility services and for the completion of utility services and that all utility services be completed during the construction of Phase II,

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 10th day of July, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Elliot Doré, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and unanimously carried (Acadia Oaks Estates Phase II):

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:

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 14th day of August, 2007, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND ENLARGING THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, DEFINING THE BOUNDARY OF A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 5.067 ACRES, MORE OR LESS SITUATED IN SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, WHICH IS PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE SAID CITY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROPERTY SO ANNEXED BE ZONED R-1, RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; AND TO RE-DEFINE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO INCLUDE SAME; 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, SIGNED AND ADOPTED on this the 10th day of July, 2007.

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED on this the 10th day of July, 2007.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and unanimously carried:

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 SECTION 12-2 OF CHAPTER 12 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY TO PROVIDE FOR ANNUAL SICK LEAVE OF TEN (10) DAYS, FOR NON CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES; TO PROVIDE MAXIMUM ACCUMULATION OF ANNUAL SICK LEAVE FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS; TO PROVIDE FOR FIVE (5) PERSONAL LEAVE DAYS ANNUALLY TO BE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT HEAD WHICH SHALL NOT ACCUMULATE; TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROVISIONS THEREOF BE SEVERABLE REPEAT OR ALL PARTS OF THE ORDINANCES IN CONSISTENT ARE THERETO IN CONFLICT THEREWITH TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OF THE MATTER PERTAINING 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

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley shall meet on the 14th day of August, 2007, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following 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 10th day of July, 2007.

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED on this the 10th day of July, 2007, in
Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Jeff Doré, duly seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré and unanimously carried:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR A GRANT TO ASSIST IN THE RENOVATION OF THE RESTROOM FACILITIES OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING CENTER; TO AUTHORIZE MATCHING FUNDS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Martin Luther King Center was constructed in the 1960's and has not been substantially renovated or upgraded since that time; and

WHEREAS, the restroom facilities are in deplorable conditions and are not handicap accessible; and

WHEREAS, in order to better serve the needs of the community and to become ADA compliant, substantial renovations to the restroom facilities are necessary; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the renovations will be approximately \$60,000.00 of which \$50,000.00 is sought as a grant for assistance and the City will provide matching funds in the amount of \$10,000.00;

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 and submit an application for a grant to assist in the renovation of the restroom facilities in the Martin Luther King Community Center to the Louisiana Office of Community Development, Local Government Assistance Program in the amount of \$50,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they do hereby authorize the commitment to provide local matching funds of \$10,000.00 to fund the estimated construction cost of \$60,000.00 and said local match shall be included in the grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor, is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute any and all documents and to provide any and all information as may be meet and proper in the premises.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 10th day of July, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Jeff Doré, duly seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and unanimously carried:

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (LDOTD) FOR A GRANT FROM THE TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM FOR STREET LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE HISTORIC PARKERSON AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley is authorized and the Louisiana Department of Transportation (LDOTD) have executed a cooperative endeavor agreement entitled "Historic Parkerson Avenue Redevelopment, Route LA Highway 13, State Project Nos. 057-02-0028, 057-03-0048 and 744-01-0009; Federal Aid Project No. 0102(508); and

WHEREAS, the bids for construction of street lighting included in the plan exceeded the available funds and construction was deferred until a later date; and

WHEREAS, street lighting improvements are necessary to complete the Historical Down Town Redevelopment Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Enhancement Program provides assistance to local municipalities eligible for improvements including street lighting;

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, they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor, to make application to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Transportation (LDOTD) for a Grant from the Enhancement Program for Three-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) to pay the costs of eligible improvements for street lighting, to Implement the "Historic Parkerson Avenue Master Plan, Route LA Highway 13, and hereby appropriate Fifteen-Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for local matching funds which shall be included in the Grant Application;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the said Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor, be and he is hereby authorized in his sole discretion to make such application for said program in the amounts which are within the estimated budget for the project as she may see fit and as may be meet and proper in the circumstances and further to execute any and all documents, forms and authorizations as may be required by the Transportation Enhancement Program and to provide all documents and information as may be necessary in connection with said application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they do hereby further authorize the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor, and the Honorable Judy L. Istre, City Clerk, be and they are hereby authorized to issue such certifications and provide copies of resolutions as may be necessary to comply with the program required by the Transportation Enhancement Program.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular/special session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 10th day of July, 2007.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux, duly seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré and unanimously carried:

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF
ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY,
ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING
THE ADOPTION OF THE LOUISIANA
COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR AUDIT
ENGAGEMENTS OF GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2007

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley having received notice from the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, that the Compliance Questionnaire must be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Compliance Questionnaire is a required part of a financial audit of Louisiana governmental units and quasi-public; and

WHEREAS, the legal matters contained in the questionnaire parallel those matters contained in the *Laws Affecting Louisiana Government*; and

WHEREAS, the completed Compliance Questionnaire must be given to the auditors at the beginning of the audit and tested for accuracy of the responses in the questionnaire during the course of the audit;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, in regular session, duly convened, that they do hereby adopt the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire, dated July 10, 2007 to Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, in connection with the audit of the financial statements for the year ending August 31, 2007, which questionnaire is attached to this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they do hereby authorize the execution thereof by the Honorable Judy Istre, City Clerk, Margaret Young, Administrative Assistant and the Honorable Greg A. Jones, Mayor of the City of Crowley.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 10th of July, 2007 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré and unanimously carried with Alderman Steven Premeaux abstaining:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY AUTHORIZING A STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT TO BE ISSUED BY THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LOUISIANA ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE LOUISIANA OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000.00; AND TO AUTHORIZE A REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT UP TO \$300,000.00 EVIDENCED BY A PROMISSORY NOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF THE LETTER OF CREDIT; TO AUTHORIZE THE PLEDGE OF AN UNENCUMBERED CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT AS SECURITY FOR THE STANDBY LETTER OF

CREDIT; AND TO PROVIDE ALL MATTER RELATIVE
THERE TO AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has maintained and administered a self-insured workers' compensation plan approved by the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation and since 1994, the First National Bank has issued a Standby Letter of Credit on behalf of the City of Crowley in favor of the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation to secure the self-insured plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley was granted authority by the Louisiana State Bond Commission to pledge unencumbered excess funds up to \$300,000.00 in the form of Certificate of Deposit to secure a Standby Letter of Credit in the amount of \$300,000.00, as is more fully shown by reference to that certain Resolution of the Louisiana State Bond Commission No. L94-174 dated May 19, 1994; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary the City reauthorize a revolving line of credit, the issuance of a Standby Letter of Credit and the pledge a Certificate of Deposit to secure the Standby Letter of Credit as required by the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, find that it is appropriate to continue the self-insured plan and to authorize the Mayor Pro-Tem to execute the promissory note and the pledge of funds as security;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Parish of Acadia, in regular session duly convened, that they do hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Steven Premeaux, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Crowley, to execute an application for a line of credit in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 from First National Bank of Louisiana, to approve the form and substance of the irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit, to execute a promissory note or notes in favor of the First National Bank of Louisiana in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 payable on demand, said note or notes bearing simple interest at a variable rate per annum equal to three (3) percentage points over the six month CD rate, to pledge an unencumbered Certificate(s) of Deposit in an equivalent amount of the promissory note or notes to the First National Bank of Louisiana as security for the said Standby Letter of Credit and to authorize the assignment of the deposit account as required by the Bank; to pay an annual fee not to exceed one (1%) percent of the amount of the Standby Letter of Credit, to pay all costs and fees in connection with this transaction, to provide a governmental certificate of existence and authority, to pledge the irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit by the First National Bank of Louisiana on behalf of the City of Crowley to the Louisiana Office of Workers' Compensation up to \$300,000.00 as security for the City's self-insured workers' compensation program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Parish of Acadia, that the Honorable Steven Premeaux, Mayor Pro-Tem of the City of Crowley, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute any and all necessary forms, documents, assurances and provisions as may be meet and proper in the premises necessary to conclude said transaction.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 10th day of July, 2007.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and unanimously carried:

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 MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS 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

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley shall meet on the 30th day of July, 2007, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

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 MAYOR AND OTHER OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS 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.

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 10th day of July, 2007.

JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED on this the 10th day of July, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré and unanimously carried:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LA, FIXING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008 AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING AND AVAILABILITY OF THE PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley has received a proposed budget for fiscal year 2008 for their consideration and adoption; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing must be held to receive public comment prior to adoption of the annual budget by the Board of Aldermen; and

WHEREAS, notice of the availability of the proposed annual budget and of the public hearing to receive public comment must be published once in the official journal of the City of Crowley, no less than ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearing, which notice shall provide for the date, time and place where the Board of Aldermen will consider their adoption;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, in regular session duly convened that a public hearing will be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 30th day of July, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, to receive public comment on the adoption of the proposed annual budget for fiscal year 2008; and

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 PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED

ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008, CITY OF CROWLEY

Public notice is hereby given that the proposed annual budget of the City of Crowley for fiscal year 2008 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 425 N. Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, Louisiana, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Copies of the budget are also available at a nominal cost.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen concerning the adoption of the annual budget for the fiscal year 2008 as follows:

DATE : July 30, 2007
TIME: 5:00 p.m.
PLACE OF MEETING: COUNCIL CHAMBERS
426 NORTH AVENUE F
CROWLEY, LA 70526

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, shall hear any and all comments concerning the revenues and expenditures of the City of Crowley relative to the adoption of the annual budget for fiscal year 2008.

SIGNED on July 10, 2007 at Crowley, LA.

GREG A. JONES, MAYOR
CITY OF CROWLEY
P. O. BOX 1463, CROWLEY, LA 70527
PHONE: (337) 783-0824

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if special assistance is needed, please contact Judy L. Istre at (337) 788-4103, to describe the assistance that is necessary.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS DULY ADOPTED on this the 10th day of July, 2007 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin, duly seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and unanimously carried:

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 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2007; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley shall meet on the 14th day of August 2007 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 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2007; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

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 10th day of July, 2007.

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in special session duly convened on the 10th day of July, 2007, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

ORDINANCES:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1366

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 AND ENDING

AUGUST 31, 2007; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL
MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL
ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES
INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the proposed Amended Operating Budgets and the accompanying budget ordinance have been submitted to this Board of Aldermen for review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance has been duly introduced and notice of this ordinance and notice of public hearing having been published; and

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing by the City of Crowley on the proposed Amended Operating Budgets and notice of the availability of the proposed amended budgets for review have been timely published in the official journal, the Crowley Post Signal; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing having been held in accordance with the law on the 10th day of July, 2007 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall on the proposed Amended Operating Budgets have now been reviewed and considered; now.

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in Regular Session, duly convened on the 10th day of July, 2007 that the following Amended Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized.

	Account Name	Amendment	Amended 2006-2007 Budget
General Fund			
Police Department			
	Operational Expense	28,000	182,975
Public Bldg. & Drainage			
	Capital Outlays	134,000	1,095,800
Youth Recreation Operation			
General Division Expenditure			
	Operational Expense	9,500	85,100
Youth Division Expenditure			
	Salary & Fringe	16,000	317,575
	Repairs & Supplies	23,200	172,855
	Capital Outlays	11,000	156,805
Adult Division Expenditure			
	Capital Outlays	6,100	6,100
Youth Recreation Building Maintenance.			
	Capital Outlays	4,550	97,550
	Other Expense	20,000	86,125
Main Street			
	Other Expense	1,600	19,450
Collision & Loss			
	Other Expense	25,000	125,000

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the amounts shall be available for expenditures only to the extent and only as included within the amended 2006-2007 fiscal budget, however nothing shall be construed to prohibit the Governing Authority from making amendments to the budget.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the Mayor of the City of Crowley, Greg A. Jones, is hereby authorized and in his sole discretion, to make such changes within the various budget classifications as he may deem necessary.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance should be held invalid by a court of competent

jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance and do hereby declare the provisions hereof, to be severable, then in that event, only that particular provision, part, word, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid and the remaining provisions, parts, words, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases will not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

THUS AMENDED, APPROVED, ADOPTED AND FINALIZED on this the 10th day of July, 2007 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor Jones stated that Crowley was selected to be designated as a “Preserve America City”, with this distinction we will be eligible to apply for grants that are only awarded to Preserve America Cities.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Elliot Doré and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor on July 12, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

Presented for Mayor’s signature on July 13, 2007 at 2:30 p.m.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on July 31st, 2007 at 10:10 a.m.