

CITY OF CROWLEY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 12, 2005

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 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005, at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the City Hall, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor de la Houssaye presided with the following Aldermen present: James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Vernon Martin, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, Ira Thomas and Kitty Valdetero. There were no absent Aldermen.

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

Alderman Martin offered a motion to amend the agenda to include a request from officials of St Michael School to close a city street. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

Alderman Martin offered a motion to amend the agenda to include a request from Mr. Wycoff to raise money for the ANO 21 Century Club's youth basketball team. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted after a unanimous vote.

**PRESENTATIONS OR APPEARANCES:**

Dr. Ezora J. Proctor came before the assembly to extend an invitation to "Crowley's National Day of Prayer". The event will be open to the public at the Rice Festival Building on Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

Alderman Martin offered a motion to accept the following proclamation. Seconded by Alderwoman Pete and duly adopted.

**Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the strength of our nation flows from the promise of individual equality and freedom of choice; and

WHEREAS, the thirty-seventh Anniversary of the National Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, during the month of April, is an occasion for all Americans – individually and collectively – to rededicate themselves to the principle of freedom from housing discrimination whenever it exists. This law guarantees for each citizen that critical, personal element of freedom of choice – selection of the home; and

WHEREAS, a fair housing law has been passed by the State of Louisiana; and implementation of that law requires the positive commitment, involvement and support of each of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the departments and agencies of the State of Louisiana are to provide leadership in the effort to make fair housing not just an idea, but an ideal for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, barriers that diminish the rights and limit the options of any citizen will ultimately diminish the rights and limit the options of all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2005, as

*Fair Housing Month*

and do hereby encourage all citizens to abide by the letter and spirit of the Fair Housing Law, and ask the citizens of this State to join in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand to be affixed the Great Seal of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2005.

S/ Isabella L. de la Houssaye .  
Isabella L. de la Houssaye Mayor  
CITY OF CROWLEY, LOUISIANA

Mr. Lawrence Allison came to the council for assistance in identifying the source of a foul order in his neighborhood. Mader Engineering was asked to work with city crews to identify and correct the problem.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Mayor de la Houssaye opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1316, the ordinance on an unnamed alleyway was read by title.

Mr. Regan asked for opponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1316. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1316. 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. 1317, the ordinance to amend the fiscal 2005 budget was read by title.

Mr. Regan asked for opponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1317. A third and final call was made with no one coming forward to speak.

Mr. Regan asked for proponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1317. 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 Istre moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005 regular council meeting and approve them as written and distributed. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

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

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor de la Houssaye presented the Sales Tax Report and User Fee Report that compare current collections to collections from previous years. The Recap of all Funds Report compares actual revenues and expenditures for the seven months of the fiscal year to the budgeted revenues and expenditures of the same period.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to authorize and accept bids for the sale of the old backhoe with a minimum bid of \$8,000. Seconded by Alderman Martin and duly adopted.

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 6 for the Release of Retainage to Quality Construction Specialist under Work Order No. 1 for the 2003-2004 Annual Street Repair Contract "City-wide Crack Routing, Cleaning and Sealing" in the amount of \$19,522.09. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to authorize Mader Engineering, Inc. to inspect the streets city-wide and provide the Council an inventory and cost estimate for recommended crack repairs for Quality Construction Specialist FY 2004-2005 Annual Crack Repair Work Order No. 1. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to authorize Mader Engineering, Inc. to inspect the streets city-wide for repair needs and provide the Council an inventory and cost estimate of recommended patching, levelling, etc... for the FY 2005-2006 Annual Street Repair Contract and authorize Mader Engineering, Inc. to prepare specifications for the FY 2005-2006 Annual Materials Contract. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Melancon offered a motion to authorize Mader Engineering, Inc. to negotiate a contract for striping Mill Street using Option 2 in the amount of \$12,600 and to fund from the ½ Cent Sales Tax-Street Fund and refer to Revenue and Finance. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

### **UTILITY:**

Alderman Valdetero offered a motion to authorize Mader Engineering, Inc to obtain quotes to improve the drainage and provide a limestone shoulder for parking along the north side of 3<sup>rd</sup> Street between Avenue C & D with an option for city forces to remove the existing limestone, and present this to the Council for consideration. Seconded by Alderman Martin and duly adopted.

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to accept the recommendation of Mader Engineering Inc. and award the "Drainage Improvements on Third Street between Ave. C and D" project to the low bidder, Le Talley Ho Construction Co. Inc. The base bid plus additive alternate no. 1 is accepted for \$8,819.00 with the stipulation that the removal, dirt work and the reconstruction will be at the same time. Funds for this project are to come from Utility Fund since this is a matter directly associated with the Utility Department. Seconded by Alderman Pete and duly adopted.

Alderman Valdetero offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 5 for \$3,600 to Kaough & Jones Electric Co. for "Crowley Sewer Pump Stations Electrical Controls Upgrades". Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Valdetero offered a motion to approve the Final Administrative Change Order (at no change in cost, but with an increase in contract time of 45 days) for Kaough & Jones Electric Co. for "Crowley Sewer Pump Stations Electrical Controls Upgrades". Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderman Premeaux, and duly resolved and adopted.

A resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute for and on behalf of the City of Crowley, a Notice of Termination for Kaough & Jones Electrical Company, Inc., Contractor, pertaining to the substantial completion of the contract, for "Crowley Sewer Pump Station Electrical Controls Upgrade" for the City of Crowley in accordance with the plans and specifications contained in the contract documents pertaining thereto.

**WHEREAS**, Kaough & Jones Electrical Company, Inc., as Contractor, has substantially completed "Crowley Sewer Pump Station Electrical Controls Upgrade" for the City of Crowley in accordance with the plans and specifications contained in the contract documents pertaining thereto; **and**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Crowley desires to accept the completed work;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City of Crowley Board of Aldermen that the Mayor of said City of Crowley be, and is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to execute a Notice of Termination for and on behalf of the City of Crowley accepting the work as being substantially complete, and that the Mayor be authorized and directed to have a copy of said acceptance recorded in the Conveyance Records of the Parish of Acadia, State of Louisiana.

**ADOPTED:** April 12, 2005

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Alderwoman Valdetero offered a motion to approve the recommendation of Mader Engineering Inc. and accept the lowest bid and award the contract to Stelly Construction Company Inc. for \$575,977.50 for "Contract No. 1 Stewartville Road Pump Station and Force Main" contingent upon DEQ approval. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Valdetero offered a motion to approve Partial Payment No. 5 to E. B. Feucht for "I/I Rehabilitation Program 2004" for \$22,000.72. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to approve the upgrade of the aerial on the 85' Mid-Mount Ladder Truck that is being built for the Fire Department and pre-pay \$228,197. A hot-dipped galvanized interior/exterior ladder will be provided at no additional cost to the city. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderman Marceaux offered a motion to approve a 2005 application from Dardean N. Cook for an initial Class B – Retail Package Beer Permit and Class B – Retail Package Liquor Permit for South Crowley Pantry located at 904 South Parkerson Avenue. Seconded by Alderman Martin and duly adopted.

Alderman Martin offered a motion to amend the Police Department's budget and approve a payment of \$14,182.95 to Acadian Criminalistic Laboratory for the city's portion of a deficit short fall due to the fact that the cost of forensic evaluation of evidence presented for investigations has exceeded the funds generated by court costs to support these efforts. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to allow the closure of West 10<sup>th</sup> Street from Parkerson Avenue to Avenue E on April 27, 2005 from 8:00 a.m. to noon for Crowley Kindergarten to host their "Community Helper's Day". Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

**ZONING & ANNEXATION:**

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to reject the proposed revised Anti-Litter Ordinance 9-57 and the proposed Revisions to Zoning Ordinance 7.106. Seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero and duly adopted.

**PUBLIC BUILDING:**

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to authorize E. L. Habetz Builders to change the handrails at the Enterprise Center with GSW's Four Season Rails on the bottom floor (excluding stairways) in the amount of \$23,448 and to repair the top floor with the salvage from the removal of the bottom floor in the amount of \$3,200. Both prices include the cost for insurance, supervision, labor and materials. Seconded by Alderman Buatt and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to approve payment to Bessette Development Company for the LaPac Plant Addition in the amount of \$15,634.42. Seconded by Alderman Premeaux and duly adopted.

Alderman Thomas offered a motion to accept the Change Orders as presented by Don Breaux Architect for renovations to the Ford Building in the amount of \$42,834. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

**INSURANCE & PERSONNEL:**

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to supplement an additional \$300 per month to the salary of the Marshall's secretary and refer to Revenue and Finance. Seconded by Alderwoman Melancon and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to terminate Floyd Robinson as a Police Officer effective April 23, 2005, due to injuries he suffered off the job. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to accept the recommendation of Mark Landry to continue with the group health insurance Third Party Administrator, One Source, Option A effective May 1, 2005 with an aggregate specific deductible of \$35,000. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Pete offered a motion to approve the group submission forms from Aegon Insurance that has merged with provider Transamerica Worksite Insurance contingent upon approval from the City Attorney. Seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Valdetero offered a motion to accept Chief Gibson's "letter of written reprimand" on Michael Breaux for violation of conduct policy. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Valdetero offered a motion to authorize Mr. Mark Landry to present a proposal on Wellness Benefits for the major medical policy for city employees. Seconded by Alderman Thomas and duly adopted.

**COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

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 AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE LOUISIANA LITTER ABATEMENT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO HIRE A LITTER REDUCTION COORDINATOR TO IMPLEMENT A LITTER ABATEMENT PROGRAM AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has adopted a comprehensive Ordinance to provide for litter control and abatement in the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance provides for authority to establish a Community Service Litter Abatement Work Program for offenders, establishes a committee to address litter reduction and abatement, and has increased the penalties for littering and provides authority for sentencing offenders to community service for prescribed time in lieu of penalties; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley does not have adequate personnel to coordinate and maintain an effective litter abatement campaign; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a position as Litter Abatement Coordinator will permit the reestablishment of the citizens' committee, coordination of educational activities in local schools, clubs and organizations, coordination of offenders sentenced to community service by the Courts and to develop an effective litter reduction and abatement program;

NOW THEREFOR 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 Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to execute an application for a grant to the Louisiana Litter Abatement Grant Program through the Department of Environmental Quality for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 in the amount of \$13,500.00 with a local match of \$4,500.00 for the purpose of employing a Litter Abatement Coordinator for the City of Crowley to develop, coordinate and maintain a litter abatement program and activities for the City of Crowley; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said Isabella L. de la Houssaye, be and she is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do any and all things necessary and execute all the documents as may be necessary and as may be meet and proper in the premises.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session on this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR A RURAL ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT TO PURCHASE A FREE-STANDING PORTABLE SELF-ERECTING OUTDOOR CANOPY SYSTEM FOR THE INTERNATIONAL RICE FESTIVAL AND OTHER OUTDOOR EVENTS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley owns a multipurpose portable modular platform system which is used for an outdoor performance stage for fairs, festivals and events sponsored by the City of Crowley and/or the International Rice Festival; and

WHEREAS, the multipurpose portable modular platform lacks a protective canopy to cover the stage which limits the uses and versatility of the platform for outdoor events; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of a free-standing self-erecting canopy system would increase the versatility and usefulness of the platform and could also be used without the platform; and

WHEREAS, the outdoor events which are sponsored by the City of Crowley and/or the International Rice Festival generate large numbers of visitors to the City of Crowley during the International Rice Festival, July Fete, Mardi Gras and other outdoor events which generate significant purchases for local services and goods contributing to the local economy which directly and indirectly generate sales taxes, motel taxes and other revenue; and

WHEREAS, the economic impact of those events would be enhanced by a canopy to provide protection during inclement weather which would allow equipment to remain in place to continue the event; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Office of Rural Development provides assistance through economic development grants for the purchase of equipment which contribute to rural economic development; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of a free-standing self-erecting canopy is hereby declared by the City of Crowley to be a priority funding request for the next cycle of rural development grant applications;

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 Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to submit an application to the Governor's Office of Rural Development, Rural Assistance Grants, for Fiscal Year 2005-2006, in the amount of Fifty Thousand & No/100 (\$50,000.00) Dollars to purchase a free-standing self-erecting portable canopy for use during fairs, festivals and other outdoor events sponsored by the City of Crowley and/or the International Rice Festival which funds shall be used with funds from other sources, if available, to pay the cost of the acquisition thereof and no other purpose; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the said Honorable Isabella L. de la Houssaye, Mayor of the City of Crowley, be and she is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute any and all documents as may be meet and proper in the premises necessary

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session on this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was acting throughout.

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

**RECREATION:**

Mr. Everett Wycoff representing the ANO 21 Century Club requested that a street drive be permitted on the corner of Oddfellows and Tower for the benefit of the Club's youth basketball team. He was advised that this was not permitted in the city and suggestions were given on other possible fund raisers.

**REVENUE & FINANCES:**

Alderswoman Valdetero offered a motion to amend the fiscal 2005 budget as follows. Seconded by Alderman Istre and duly adopted.

Account Name	Account #	Budget	Amendment	Amended Budget
Annual Street Maint.	100-50-704	885,899	(224,284)	661,615
Approp. From ½ Cent S/T Street	100-81-148	361,839	(61,531)	300,308
Approp. From Utility – St. Imp.	100-81-149	114,391	10,685	125,076
Approp to Gen. Fund - Street Imp.	410-83-343	361,839	(61,531)	300,308
Approp. To Gen. Fund – Street Imp.	750-91-348	114,391	10,685	125,076

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderwoman Melancon, 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, 2004 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2005; 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2005 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, 2004 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2005; 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005.

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Aldерwoman Valdetero offered a motion to approve an increase of \$300.00 per month for the salary of the Marshall's secretary from General Fund. Seconded Aldерwoman Pete and duly adopted.

**ORDINANCES:**

Aldерwoman Melancon moved to table Ordinance 1315 - TO PROVIDE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY AGAINST CONTAMINATION. Seconded by Aldерwoman Pete and duly adopted.

The following Ordinance was offered by Aldерwoman Melancon, duly seconded by Alderman Buatt, and duly ordained and adopted contingent upon written consent from the coordinator of 911.

ORDINANCE NO. 1316

AN ORDINANCE TO DESIGNATE AND NAME AN UNNAMED ALLEYWAY IN BLOCK 71 OF THE CROWLEY INDUSTRIAL COMPANY (CICO) ADDITION NO. 3 TO THE CITY OF CROWLEY AS WALNUT ALLEYWAY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has received information that emergency personnel dispatched to a residential address designated on Walnut Alleyway in the City of Crowley had difficulty in locating the residence due to the similarly named Walnut Street thereby delaying the response; and

WHEREAS, some homes located on Walnut Alleyway have been given street addresses for many years with the designation as Walnut Alleyway which was never officially designated as the name; and

WHEREAS, in order to alleviate any confusion, it is necessary recognize the informal name given to the alleyway; and

WHEREAS, the Registrar of Voters and the Acadia Parish Communications District, have been notified of the proposed name and have entered no objections to the proposed name;

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

SECTION 1: That certain unnamed alleyway located in Block 71 of the Crowley Industrial Company (CICO) Addition No. 3 within the corporate limits of the City of Crowley be and it is hereby designated and named Walnut Alleyway.

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 or 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;

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Vernon Martin, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, Ira Thomas and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1317

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2004 AND 2005, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1 AND ENDING AUGUST 31; 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005 that the following 2005 Amended Operating Budgets are hereby approved, adopted and finalized.

Account Name	Current Proposed Amendment	Amended Budget 2004-2005
General Fund - Expenditures		
Fire Department		
Capital Outlay	228,197	710,673
Street Department		
Capital Outlay	(224,284)	3,276,640
Public Works		
Repair Supply	26,650	102,650
General Fund -Other Financing Uses-Operating Transfers In		
Transfer & Appropriations	(50,846)	4,199,759
½ Cent Sales Tax-Street Imp		
½ Cent Sales Tax-Street Imp -Operating Transfers Out		
Transfer & Appropriations	(61,531)	781,858
Utility Fund - Expenditures		
Sewage		
Capital Outlay	10,175	1,534,625
Utility Fund -Operating Transfers Out		
Transfer & Appropriations	10,685	125,076

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the amounts shall be available for expenditures only to the extent and only as included within the amended 2005 fiscal budgets, 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: James M. Buatt, Tiger Istre, Woody Marceaux, Vernon Martin, Mary T. Melancon, Laurita D. Pete, Steven C. Premeaux, Ira Thomas and Kitty Valdetero

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Melancon and seconded by Alderwoman Valdetero the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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ISABELLA L. de la HOUSSAYE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, CITY CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on April 15, 2005 at 4:45 p.m.  
Presented for Mayor's signature on April 22, 2005 at 8:30 a.m.  
Mayor Signed & returned to City Clerk on April , 2005 at .m.