

CITY OF CROWLEY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 13, 2009

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, met in a regular session at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Greg A. Jones presided with the following Aldermen present: Elliot Doré, Jeff Doré, Lyle Fogleman Jr., Vernon Martin, Mary Melancon, Laurita Pete, Steven Premeaux, Kitty Valdetero and Todd Whiting.

Alderman Vernon Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Alderman Jeff Doré gave the invocation.

**PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS:**

Betty H. Miller was presented a plaque in appreciation of her 19 years as Crowley Representative, Acadia Parish Tourist Commission and Board of Directors.

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

Alderman Vernon Martin moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008 regular council meeting. Seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré and duly adopted.

Alderwoman Mary Melancon moved to approve all bills presented for payment. Seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin 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 Jeff Doré to approve Partial Payment No. 4 for the Release of Retainage to Quality Construction Specialist in the amount of \$10,683.26 for the FY 2007-08 Annual Crack Repair Work Order #1. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to approve Partial Payment No. 7 in the amount of \$502,843.53 to Merrick Construction Company for the Historic Parkerson Avenue Redevelopment Project. Motion carried.

**UTILITY: Alderman Vernon Martin, Chairperson**

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero to approve Partial Payment No. 2 for the Release of Retainage to Wastewater

Services Inc. in the amount of \$1,989.43 for Sewer Line Extension on North Cherokee Road. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Todd Whiting to declare as junk 13 aerators. Motion carried.

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

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to approve the renewal of a 2009 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit and 2009 Class A Retail Outlet Liquor Permit for Alfredo Cortez for El Dorado Mexican Restaurant, LLC located at 2307 North Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, LA. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon to approve a New 2009 Class A Retail Outlet Beer Permit for Dean Harris for Cravin' Crawfish located at 165 Oddfellows Road, Crowley, LA. Motion carried.

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

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to approve a Volunteer Fire Assistance Program grant in the amount of \$3,556.12 with a 50% match of \$3,556.12 to purchase hoses and nozzles. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero and seconded by Alderman Todd Whiting to approve a JAG grant in the amount of \$3,383.00 with a match of \$1,128.00 to purchase tasers. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING AND ISSUING A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY.

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

WHEREAS, notice has been issued to the property owner, Rachel Yvette Eaglin, by the City Inspector's office for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on the South ½ of Lots 1 & 2 of Block 28 of the Original City of Crowley, having a municipal address of 720 West 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Crowley, Louisiana; and

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened that the Notice of Rule to Show Cause should be issued to Rachel Yvette Eaglin for a public hearing to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009 in special session at 6:00 o'clock p.m. and that said notice be properly recorded and served upon the property owner pursuant to law;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Todd Whiting, duly seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman, and duly resolved and adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING AND ISSUING A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY.

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

WHEREAS, notice has been issued to the property owner, Thad Berkin, by the City Inspector's office for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on Lot 23 of East Park Subdivision, having a municipal address of 147 Gulf Rose Drive, Crowley, Louisiana; and

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened that the Notice of Rule to Show Cause should be issued to Thad Berkin for a public hearing to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009 in special session at 6:00 o'clock p.m. and that said notice be properly recorded and served upon the property owner pursuant to law;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING AND ISSUING A RULE TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CONDEMNATION OF PROPERTY.

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

WHEREAS, notice has been issued to the property owner, Mary Ellen Arceneaux, by the City Inspector's office for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on Lots 5 and 6 of Block 171 of Original City of Crowley, having a municipal address of 1124 North Avenue B, Crowley, Louisiana; and

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened that the Notice of Rule to Show Cause should be issued to Mary Ellen Arceneaux for a public hearing to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009 in special session at 6:00 o'clock p.m. and that said notice be properly recorded and served upon the property owner pursuant to law;

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance must be introduced by its title and a public hearing must be held prior to its adoption; and

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

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

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2.2 OF ARTICLE II. OF APPENDIX A ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 1059 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, AS AMENDED, TO DEFINE ELECTRICAL SECURITY FENCES; TO AMEND SECTION 3.1365 OF ARTICLE III OF APPENDIX A ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, AS AMENDED, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF ELECTRIC SECURITY FENCES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE

PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith ON IN CONFLICT HERETO.

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

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, shall meet on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, Louisiana, to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

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

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<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009.

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009 in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE SALE OF SURPLUS CRESOTE TIMBER POLES TO THE ST. LANDRY PARISH SCHOOL BOARD, FIXING THE TERMS, PRICE AND CONDITIONS OF THE SALE; AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF

PRIVATE SALE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS  
RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Crowley Recreation Department has completed the new baseball/softball fields at the new Recreation Center and the field at Bicentennial Park is no longer needed; and

WHEREAS, all field lights have been removed from the large poles and the Crowley Recreation Department and other departments have no use for the poles and the poles have been declared surplus property; and

WHEREAS, quotes for the removal and disposal of the poles have been obtained by City Engineers from local electrical contractors in the range of \$10,000 to \$12,000; and

WHEREAS, no interest has been expressed in purchasing the used poles due to the high cost of removing, transporting, re-erecting and refurbishing the poles with lights; and

WHEREAS, the poles have no value unless they can be salvaged as is and it is in the best interest of the City that these poles be removed and disposal of at a minimum cost in accordance with rules and regulations for handling creosote material; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has received an offer from Opelousas High School and CLECO, its electric franchisee, to remove and transport the poles to Opelousas and re-erect them for use by Opelousas High School thereby continuing the use of the poles as public property; and

WHEREAS, the St. Landry Parish School Board and CLECO are responsible entities and are capable of holding the City of Crowley harmless and indemnifying the City from any and all liability for the removal and transportation of the poles and providing adequate liability insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that it is in the best interest of the City of Crowley to sell the poles under the terms and conditions stated 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 declare the eight (8) creosote timber light poles located at Bicentennial Park are surplus property worth less than \$5,000 and they constitute a liability to the City of Crowley for the removal and disposal thereof and it is in the best interest of the City to sell the poles at private sale to the St. Landry School Board, a public body, with the stipulations that 1) the poles continue to be used for public purposes at Opelousas High School; 2) the minimum price of the sale shall be the sum of Ten & No/100 (\$10.00) Dollars; 3) the St. Landry Parish School Board shall indemnify and hold harmless the City of Crowley from any and all liability therefor; and 4) a certificate of insurance shall be provided naming the City of Crowley as additional insured for general liability coverage in an amount not less than \$1 million; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of this resolution and the proposed sale shall be published once not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the sale; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the property may only be sold to a public body for use for public purposes by the highest bidder.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderwoman Kitty Valdetero, duly seconded by Alderwoman Mary 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 special 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, 2008 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2009; 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Crowley, LA, 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, LA.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009.

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, FOR THE SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSITION FOR THE RENEWAL OF AN AD VALOREM TAX MILLAGE, TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION AND LEVY OF A FIVE (5) MILL TAX ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION SITUATED IN THE SAID CITY FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS, ONE-HALF (½) OF WHICH SHALL BE FOR THE PURPOSE OF AND DEDICATED TO THE PAYMENT OF SALARIES OF THE PERSONNEL OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OF SAID CITY AND ONE-HALF (½) OF WHICH SHALL BE FOR THE PURPOSE OF AND DEDICATED TO THE PAYMENT OF SALARIES OF THE PERSONNEL OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF SAID CITY; AND MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION; AND PROVIDING FOR ALL MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley currently collects a five (5) mill tax on all property situated in the City dedicated one-half (½) for the payment of salaries of personnel of the Fire Department and one-half (½) for the payment of salaries of personnel of the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, said millage tax represent a significant portion of the funding for these purposes which will expire at the end of 2009; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable to continue the millage for said purposes;

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: Under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 22, Section 27(b), Section 30(A) and Section 32 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6-A and Chapter 6-B of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, (the "Act"), a special election, be and the same is hereby called and ordered to be held in the City of Crowley, Louisiana, on 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009, between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in compliance with the provisions of the General Election Code of the State of Louisiana, at which

election there shall be submitted to all registered voters of the City of Crowley, qualified and entitled to vote at said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution and laws of the United States, the following proposition, together with a simple and unbiased, concise **summary** in easily understood language which sets forth the substance of the proposition as required by Act 426 of 1993 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

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

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

1. Shall the City of Crowley, State of Louisiana, (the "City") under the provisions of Article VI, Section 22, Section 27(B), Section 30(A) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, continue to levy and collect a Five (5) Mill Tax on all property subject to taxation situated within said City (current estimated annual amount of \$189,000.00), annually for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2010 and ending in the year 2019, one-half (½) of the avails of which shall be for the purpose of and dedicated to the payment of salaries of the personnel of the Fire Department of said City and one-half (½) of the avails of which shall be for the purpose of and dedicated to the payment of salaries of the personnel of the Police Department ?

**SECTION 2: Publication of Notice.** There shall be published in the Crowley Post Signal, newspaper published in the City of Crowley, Louisiana, having general circulation throughout the City, and being the official journal of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for the election, Notice of Special Election and which notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference as if it were set forth herein in full.

**SECTION 3: Canvas.** The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, the governing authority thereof (the "Governing Authority") shall meet in regular session at its regular meeting place, City Hall, Council Chambers, 425 North Parkerson Avenue, Crowley, Louisiana, on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the results of said special election.

**SECTION 4: Polling Places.** Said election on each said date shall be held between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of the General Election Code at the following designated polling places in the City of Crowley, to-wit:

- Ward 6, Precinct 1 - North Crowley Middle School
- Ward 6, Precinct 2 - Notre Dame High School
- Ward 6, Precinct 3A - North Crowley Kindergarten
- Ward 6, Precinct 3B - North Crowley Kindergarten
- Ward 6, Precinct 4 - Acadia Parish Courthouse Lobby, First Floor
- Ward 6, Precinct 5 - Crowley City Hall
- Ward 6, Precinct 6 - Old Ross High School
- Ward 6, Precinct 7 - Rice Festival Building
- Ward 6, Precinct 8 - Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Hall

Ward 6, Precinct 9 - South Crowley Elementary School  
Ward 6, Precinct 11 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Center  
Ward 6, Precinct 12 - School Board Media Center  
Ward 6, Precinct 13 - School Board Media Center  
Ward 6, Precinct 14 - Acadia Animal Clinic  
Ward 6, Precinct 16 - LSU Rice Experiment Station

and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

**SECTION 5: Election Commissioners and Voting Machines.** The officers shall be designated to serve as Commissioner in Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 18:434 and the compensation of said officers shall be fixed in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 18:424 and 18:425. The Parish Board of Election Supervisors shall appoint Commissioners of Election and alternate Commissioners for each precinct, all of whom shall meet the qualifications set forth in Part II of Chapter V of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950. The Commissioner-in-Charge for each precinct shall be the Commissioner-in-Charge selected or appointed for such precinct under the provisions of Part II of Chapter V of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950. All registered voters of the City are entitled to vote at the said election and voting machines shall be used in the conduct of said election. A compiled statement of qualified voters shall be provided to all polling places in the conduct of the election.

**SECTION 6. Officers.** The officers confirmed or designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in compliance with Section 1287 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (R.S. 18:1287) shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and make due returns of said special election to the Honorable Secretary of State, the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, and the Honorable Clerk of Court of Acadia Parish, Louisiana; and the Mayor and Board of Aldermen shall promulgate the results of said election as provided in Section 3 hereof. The compensation of said officers be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum prescribed by R.S. 18:424 and R.S. 18:425.

**SECTION 7: Authorization of Officer.** The Clerk of the governing authority be and she is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for the said special election, and to furnish to the said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election as provided by State and Federal Law.

**SECTION 8: Furnish Call to Election Officials.** Certified copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State and Commissioner of Elections of the State of Louisiana, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the Parish of Acadia, Chairman of the Board of Supervisor for the Parish of Acadia and to the Registrar of Voters in and for the Parish of Acadia, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

**SECTION 9: Application to State Bond Commission.** Application be and the same is hereby formally made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the aforesaid special election as herein provided and in the event the Propositions carry, for the Commission's consent and authority to levy said taxes, as provided for in the Propositions above. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of the City, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

**SECTION 10: Effective Date.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption. All orders, resolutions and ordinances in conflict herewith to the extent of such conflict be and the same are hereby repealed.

The foregoing resolution was submitted to a vote and the vote thereon was as follows:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution was declared adopted on this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Elliot Doré to endorse the ASSIST Agency's effort to sponsor the program that will help the elderly and needy with their utility bills. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Mary Melancon and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to call a special council meeting on February 9, 2009 as members of the Council will be out of town on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009, the date of the regular council meeting, to attend training and informational seminars at the Louisiana Municipal Associations Mid Winter Conference. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Steven Premeaux and seconded by Alderwoman Mary Melancon the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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GREG A. JONES, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JUDY L. ISTRE, City Clerk

Presented rough draft to Mayor on January 14, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.

Presented for Mayor's signature on January 14, 2009 at 10:30 a.m.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on January 14, 2009 at 10:30 a.m.