

CITY OF CROWLEY  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

The Mayor Pro Tem 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. Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Pro Temp Steven Premeaux presided with the following Aldermen present: Jeff Cavell, Thompson Bradford Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Jr., Vernon Martin, Samuel J. Reggie, III, Kim Stringfellow, and Byron K. Wilridge.

Alderman Byron K. Wilridge led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Alderman Brad Core gave the invocation.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor Pro Temp Steven Premeaux opened the public hearing on proposed ordinance no. 1510, the ordinance was read by title as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REACT SECTION 3.14 OF ARTICLE III OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY BY REPEALING SUBSECTION 3.1407, PROHIBITED USES, OF THE SPECIAL GATEWAY OVERLAY DISTRICTS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

Mr. Steven Premeaux asked for proponents to the proposed ordinance no. 1510. Chris Heuser's spoke in favor of the ordinance. A third and final call was made with no one else coming forward to speak. The call for opponents of the proposed ordinance no. 1510 was made with no one coming forward to speak. No other comments were made after the third and final call. Steven Premeaux called the public hearing on ordinance no. 1510 to a close.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS:**

Alderman Lyle Fogleman offered the motion to amend the agenda and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to authorize the submittal of the FY'2021-2022 State of Louisiana Capital Outlay Request for Public Sewerage System Expansion Along North of I-10 Service Road, Restoration and Rehabilitation of Rice Community Theatre, Renovations and Repairs to the Rice Festival Building, Ultraviolet Disinfection System Improvements at the City of Crowley's Wastewater Treatment Facility, Installation of Comminutor at the City of Crowley's Main Sewerage Pump Station, City of Crowley Pavilion and RV Campground for the City of Crowley Recreation Center. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPEARANCES:**

Don Landry appeared to announce his candidacy for District Attorney and asked for the council to consider him on election day.

**READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Alderman Vernon Martin moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 council meeting, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Special Council Meeting, and the August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 Special Council Meeting seconded by Alderman Byron Wilridge and duly adopted.

**MAYOR'S REPORTS:**

Mayor presented the Sales Tax chart and User Fee chart that track the collection trend.

Mayor presented the monthly budget-to-actual comparisons that report the spending of major funds.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson – Alderman Clint Cradeur  
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Brad Core  
Members – Aldermen Byron Wilridge, Lyle Fogleman, Jr. and Vernon Martin

A motion was offered by Alderman Clint Cradeur and seconded by Alderman Jeff Cavell to approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 3 to Southern Constructors, Inc. for the City-Wide Drainage Improvements Project in the amount of \$266,931.01. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Clint Cradeur and seconded by Alderman Byron Wilridge to approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$42,504.60 under the Southern Constructors, Inc. contract for the City-Wide Drainage Improvements Project to extend drainage improvements along the south side of First Street between the outfall ditch near Avenue N and the Acadia Council on Aging office. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Clint Cradeur and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$24,083.00 under the Southern Constructors, Inc. contract for the City-Wide Drainage Improvements Project to complete the replacement of a manhole and street inlet and installation of a sanitary sewer main conflict box at the intersection of Avenue G and First Street. Motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Clint Cradeur and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to authorize Mader Engineering, Inc. to prepare the plans and specifications for “City Parking Lot Improvements,” as noted on Exhibit #1: Pre-Turf Project Estimates, and Exhibit #2: Post-Turf Project Estimates. Motion carried with Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow voting against.

**UTILITY COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson – Alderman Vernon Martin  
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Sammy Reggie  
Members – Aldermen Jeff Cavell, Lyle Fogleman, Jr., and Clint Cradeur

A motion was offered by Alderman Sammy Reggie and seconded by Alderman Jeff Cavell for an ordinance be introduced by resolution to change the current sewer user fee formula based on the August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 certification provided to Council; and, with said resolution also include a provision that would exempt the Acadia Parish Detention Center from having to pay the sewer user fee rates for customers located outside the city limits. Motions failed with a 2-6 vote with Aldermen Jeff Cavell and Lyle Fogleman voting for and Aldermen Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Vernon Martin, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow and Byron Wilridge voting against.

**RECREATION COMMITTEE:**

Chairperson – Alderman Steven Premeaux  
Vice-Chairperson – Alderman Clint Cradeur  
Members – Aldermen Jeff Cavell., Sammy Reggie and Lyle Fogleman

A motion was made by Alderman Clint Cradeur and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to award a Base Bid, for the renovations and repairs to the Rice Festival Building, in the amount of \$249,000.00 and Alternate Proposal No. 1 (\$5,900.00) for the office expansion, for a total of \$254,900.00, to E. L. Habetz Builders, Inc.; to authorize Change Order No. 1 to reduce the allowance for the Sound System item of work from \$25,000.00 to \$20,000.00; and all contingent upon review and approval of Facility Planning and Control and upon the recommendation made by architect Joshua Hoffpauir and concurred with by City Attorney Tom Regan after his review of the bids and the withdrawal by the apparent low bidder. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Clint Cradeur and seconded by Alderman Jeff Cavell, and duly resolved and adopted with Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow voting against.

A RESOLUTION OF CONFIRMING AND RE-AUTHORIZING THE MARCH 11, 2020, RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, LOUISIANA, TO INCUR DEBT AND TO BORROW FROM THE LOUISIANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000,000. FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING COST OF ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION, ADDITIONS, ACQUISITIONS, REPAIRS AND/OR EXPANSIONS NEEDED FOR CITY WIDE STREET IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING DRAINAGE; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTIN WITH THE FOREGOING.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Board of Aldermen (the “Council”), governing authority of the City of Crowley, Louisiana (the “City”), adopted a resolution authorizing (the “Authorizing Resolution”) the City to incur debt and to borrow from the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority (the “Authority”) an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000 to mature not later than 20 years from date of issuance, in one or more series, at a rate or rates not exceeding 7.00% per annum (the “Bonds”), for the purpose of financing the cost of engineering, construction, additions, acquisitions, repairs, and/or expansions needed for city-wide street improvements, including drainage, and to pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds, including the premiums for a bond insurance policy and a debt service reserve fund surety policy, if necessary (the “Project”), and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing;

WHEREAS, upon adoption of the Authorizing Resolution, the City’s Administration and the City’s employed finance team acknowledged and agreed to return to the City’s Council to report developments related to issuance, sale and delivery of the City’s Bonds;

WHEREAS, since the adoption of the Authorizing Resolution the world-wide pandemic associated with COVID-19, a respiratory illness caused by a novel strain of the coronavirus (“COVID-19”), has caused confusion and uncertainty of the Municipal Bond Market;

WHEREAS, after reviewing the current trends of the Municipal Bond Market and the City’s present financial condition, the City’s Administration and the City’s finance team believes it to be in the best interest of the City to proceed with the issuance of the Bonds in two (2) separate series, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$20,000,000, for the purpose of financing the Project;

WHEREAS, it is proposed by the City’s Administration and the City’s finance team that the first series of Bonds, in an amount not to exceed \$14,000,000 be issued to fund a portion of the Project, which is expected to be marketed and sold in October, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Confirming Resolution is to provide information to the Council, as agreed on March 11, 2020, and to confirm and re-authorize the actions of the Council contained in the Authorizing Resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL, in regular session convened, that:

SECTION 1. The statements of fact expressly contained within the preamble to this Resolution have been specifically reviewed by the Council and are found to be factually true and correct, and are made resolutions of the City.

SECTION 2. The Council does hereby confirm and re-authorize all facts, circumstances and actions contained and described in the Authorizing Resolution adopted by the Council on March 11, 2020, in their entirety.

SECTION 3. The Council further agrees and authorizes issuance of the City's Bonds in two (2) series, the first in an amount not to exceed \$14,000,000, for purposes of financing a portion of the Project, said Bonds to be secured by and payable from Lawfully Available Funds of the City.

SECTION 4. This Council does hereby approve execution of the Loan Agreement with the Authority substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tem and/or City Clerk of the City be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Loan Agreement for and on behalf of the City and are further authorized to make and approve any changes required therein, but not inconsistent with the intent of this Confirming Resolution, or as may be required by the City Attorney or Bond Counsel.

SECTION 5. The City covenants and agrees that, to the extent permitted by the laws of the State of Louisiana, it will comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") in order to establish, maintain and preserve the exclusion from "gross income" of interest on the Bonds under the Code. The City further covenants and agrees it will not take any action, fail to take any action, or permit any action within its control to be taken, or permit at any time or times any of the proceeds of the Bonds or any other funds of the City to be used directly or indirectly in any manner, the effect of which would be to cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" or would result in the inclusion of interest on any of the Bonds in gross income under the Code, including, without limitation, (i) the failure to comply with the limitation on investment of Bond proceeds or (ii) the failure to pay any required rebate of arbitrage earnings to the United States of America or (iii) the use of proceeds of the Bonds in a manner which would cause the Bonds to be "private activity bonds."

SECTION 6. The Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tem and/or City Clerk of the City be and they are hereby authorized to take and perform any and all actions required and necessary under the terms of the Loan Agreement, the Bond Purchase Agreement, including execution of certificates and other documents necessary therefor. The Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tem and/or Clerk of the City are hereby further empowered, authorized and directed to take any and all action and to execute and deliver any instrument, document or certificate necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

SECTION 7. All resolutions, ordinances or orders in conflict herewith, be to the extent of such conflict, and they are hereby repealed.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED during the regular meeting held in regular session duly convened on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

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STEVEN PREMEAUX, MAYOR PRO-TEM

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Jeff Cavell and 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, INTRODUCING A PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; FIXING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING AND AVAILABILITY OF THE PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021.

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley has received a proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2021 for introduction and 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, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, in regular session duly convened that the following ordinance be and it is hereby introduced for consideration and that a public hearing will be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 7th day of October, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. in Council Chambers to receive public comment on the adoption of the proposed annual budget for Fiscal Year 2021, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING, FINALIZING AND IMPLEMENTING THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGETS OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 2021; TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO; AND TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THEREWITH OR IN CONFLICT THERETO.

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021, CITY OF CROWLEY

Public notice is hereby given that the proposed annual budget of the City of Crowley for fiscal year 2021 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 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. 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 proposed annual budget for the fiscal year 2021 as follows:

DATE : October 7th, 2020  
TIME: 4:00 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 proposed annual budget for fiscal year 2021.

SIGNED on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at Crowley, LA.

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Erin S. Cradeur, City Clerk  
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 Erin S. Cradeur at (337) 788-4103, to describe the assistance that is necessary.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION WAS DULY ADOPTED on this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

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STEVEN PREMEAUX, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, Clerk

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Jeff Cavell and seconded by Alderman Brad Core, and duly resolved and adopted.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE AUTHORIZED MILLAGE RATE FOR FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR TAX YEAR 2020.

SECTION 1: BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that the City of Crowley of the Parish of Acadia, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on September 9, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law, the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2020 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the City of Crowley:

	<u>MILLAGE</u>
Fire & Police Department (5023 008):	5.000 mills

SECTION 2: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Acadia State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2020, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

THUS APPROVED, ADOPTED AND FINALIZED on this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow and Byron Wilridge

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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STEVEN PREMEAUX, MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Jeff Cavell and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin, and duly resolved and adopted with Alderman Byron Wilridge abstaining from the vote.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ‘ADJUSTED’ MILLAGE RATES FOR GENERAL ALIMONY, STREETS/ROADS/HWYS/AVENEUES, PUBLIC BUILDINGS/DRAINAGE, PUBLIC PARKS/RECREATION, WASTEWATER DISPOSAL FACILITIES, CEMETERY, AND YOUTH RECREATION BUILDING IN THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR TAX YEAR 2020.

SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that the City of Crowley of the Parish of Acadia, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on September 9, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1708(B), that the following adjusted millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of each assessed valuation of all property which is subject to ad valorem taxation within said City for the year 2020 for the purpose of raising revenue:

	<u>MILLAGE</u>
General Alimony (5023 001):	6.940 mills
Streets, Roads, Hwys, Avenues (5023 002):	4.960 mills
Public Bldgs & Drainage (5023 003):	4.960 mills
Public Parks & Recreation (5023 004):	2.980 mills
Wastewater Disposal Facilities (5023 005):	3.470 mills
Cemetery (5023 006):	0.740 mills
Youth Recreation Building (5023 007):	0.990 mills

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Assessor of the Parish of Acadia, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

THUS APPROVED, ADOPTED AND FINALIZED on this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow and Byron Wilridge

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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STEVEN PREMEAUX, MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

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

RESOLUTION WHICH SETS FORTH THE ‘ADJUSTED’  
MILLAGE RATE FOR GENERAL ALIMONY,  
STREETS/ROADS/HWYS/AVENEUES, PUBLIC  
BUILDINGS/DRAINAGE, PUBLIC PARKS/RECREATION,  
WASTEWATER DISPOSAL FACILITIES, CEMETERY, AND  
YOUTH RECREATION BUILDING AND ROLL FORWARD TO  
MILLAGE RATES NOT EXCEEDING THE MAXIMUM  
AUTHORIZED RATES IN THE CITY OF CROWLEY FOR TAX  
YEAR 2020.

SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley of the Parish of Acadia, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on September 9, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year’s maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2020, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>2020 Levy</u>
General Alimony (5023 001):	6.940 mills	7.000 mills
Streets, Roads, Hwys, Avenues (5023 002):	4.960 mills	5.000 mills
Public Bldgs & Drainage (5023 003):	4.960 mills	5.000 mills
Public Parks & Recreation (5023 004):	2.980 mills	3.000 mills
Wastewater Disposal Facilities (5023 005):	3.470 mills	3.500 mills
Cemetery (5023 006):	0.740 mills	0.750 mills
Youth Recreation Building (5023 007):	0.990 mills	1.000 mills

SECTION 2. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley of the Parish Acadia Louisiana, that the Assessor of the Parish of Acadia, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by no less than two-thirds of the total membership of the taxing authority voting in favor as required by Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B).

THUS APPROVED, ADOPTED AND FINALIZED on this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Clint Cradeur, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow and Byron Wilridge

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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STEVEN PREMEAUX, MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

**ORDINANCE:**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1510

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REACT SECTION 3.14 OF ARTICLE III OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY BY REPEALING SUBSECTION 3.1407, PROHIBITED USES, OF THE SPECIAL GATEWAY OVERLAY DISTRICTS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OTHER MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Special Gateway Overlay District Ordinance limits the use and availability of property in the main entry corridors of the City of Crowley by prohibiting certain uses and imposing restrictions, limitations and requirements on property owners wishing to remodel building recently used for occupations and businesses that are prohibited and imposes strict requirements for facades, parking lots, green spaces and driveways; and

WHEREAS, although many citizens are in support of and wish to continue the limitations of the Gateway Overlay District Ordinance in order to enhance the facades, parking lots, green spaces and driveways along the main thoroughfares of the City of Crowley, some property owners within the overlay districts have complained the effects of the ordinance have denied them use of their property; and

WHEREAS, it is evidence that a significant improvement has occurred in the appearance and esthetic quality of traffic design and flow and of new construction and remodeled buildings since the adoption of the Gateway Overlay District Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen find the requirements, restrictions and limitations of the Gateway Overlay District Ordinance have a significant value and have accomplished the purposes for which it was originally intended; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen also find the prohibited uses are too broad and restrictive and that the prohibited uses could be repealed leaving intact the remainder of the requirements, restrictions and limitations of the Gateway Overlay District Ordinance; and

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

WHEREAS, a public hearing having been held in accordance with law on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. at Council Chambers in the Criminal Justice Building, Crowley, Louisiana;

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

SECTION 1: Section 3.14 of Article III of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Crowley be and the same is hereby amended and re-enacted by repealing Subsection 3.1407, Prohibited Uses, in its entirety, and renumbering the remaining subsections therein.

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.

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

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, after a roll call vote as follows:

YEAS: Jeff Cavell, Brad Core, Lyle Fogleman, Vernon Martin, Sammy Reggie, Kim Stringfellow, and Byron Wilridge

NAYS: Clint Cradeur

ABSENT: None

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STEVEN PREMEAUX, MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:

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ERIN S. CRADEUR, CITY CLERK

A motion was made by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to authorize the submittal of the FY' 2021-2022 State of Louisiana Capital Outlay Request for Public Sewerage System Expansion Along North I-10 Service Road, Restoration and Rehabilitation of Rice Community Theatre, Renovations and Repairs to Rice Festival Building, Ultraviolet Disinfection System Improvements at the City of Crowley's Wastewater Treatment Facility, Installation of Comminutor at the City of Crowley's Main Sewerage Pump Station, City of Crowley Pavilion and RV Campground for the City of Crowley Recreation Center. Motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Jeff Cavell and seconded by Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Presented rough draft to Mayor Pro Tem on September 14, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Presented for Mayor ProTem signature on September 14, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem signed & returned to City Clerk on September 15,2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Publish in newspaper on September 30th, 2020