

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 9, 2022

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. Wednesday the 9th day of March 2022 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Tim Monceaux presided with the following Aldermen present: Jeff Cavell, Thompson Bradford Core, Clint Cradeur, Steven Premeaux, Samuel J. Reggie, III, Vernon Martion and Lyle Fogleman Jr. and Kim Stringfellow.

Alderman Bryon K. Wilridge was absent.

Alderman Brad Core led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Alderman Steven Premeaux gave the invocation.

APPEARANCES:

Mr. Tim Mader, Blight Committee member, provided an update to the Council on the blighted properties in Crowley.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Alderman Jeff Cavell moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February 9, 2022, Regular Council meeting seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin and duly adopted.

Alderman Jeff Cavell moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the February 16, 2022, Special Council meeting seconded by Alderman Clint Cradeur 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.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

A motion was offered by Alderman Clint Cradeur and seconded by Alderman Jeff Cavell approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 20 to Southern Constructors, Inc. for the City-Wide Drainage Improvements Project in an amount \$251,144.61. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; the motion carried unanimously.

A motion was offered by Alderman Clint Cradeur and seconded by Alderman Lyle Fogleman to approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 4 to Glenn Lege' Construction, LLC contract for the City-Wide Street Improvements (Contract A) Project in the amount to be presented to Council at their next regular monthly meeting on March 9, 2022. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. City Engineer Tim Mader explained that the contractor was asked to withdraw the request for partial payment due to not enough work being done. He stated the contractor agreed and withdrew the request. No further action was taken.

A motion was offered by Alderman Clint Cradeur and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to approve Partial Payment Estimate No. 11 for the release of retainages to Triton Construction, LLC

for the City-Owned Parking Lot Improvements Project in the amount of \$146,460.75. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow questioned the total cost of the project. City Engineer Tim Mader stated the total construction cost was \$2,181,461.44. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; the motion carried unanimously.

UTILITY COMMITTEE:

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Jeff Cavell to adopt the MWPP Resolution for the January 2021 through December 2021 Annual Report, contingent upon the substitution of the word “will” with “may” in item #4 and #5 listed on said Resolution, so that same reads:

- 4) The City may be using its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds this year to replace and repair vital components of its wastewater treatment facility.
- 5) The City may be using SRF loan funds and State Capital Outlay funds to replace the main pump station comminutor.

Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The resolution having been submitted to a voice vote; the resolution passed unanimously.

MWPP RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality requires that the City of Crowley, Louisiana performs an annual Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) audit on its Wastewater Treatment Facility located on Conrad Road and;

WHEREAS: The City has prepared and reviewed the attached MWPP audit and;

WHEREAS: The City of Crowley, Louisiana wishes to guard the public health and assure discharge compliance;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the City of Crowley, Louisiana hereby informs the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) that it has set forth through the Mayor and Board of Aldermen the following actions necessary to attain and maintain permit discharge compliance contained in LPDES Permit Number LA0041254:

- 1) The City of Crowley expects to continue the rehabilitation of public leaks as needed through a smoke testing/repair process.
- 2) The City has a notification program for private leaks. Private property owners are notified of defects on their property and such repairs are monitored and cataloged.
- 3) The City will increase its efforts toward combating I/I through a construction contract for “Rehabilitation of the Sewerage Collection System” under its FY 2020-2021 LCDBG Program.
 - 4) The City may be using its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds this year to replace and repair vital components of its wastewater treatment facility.
 - 5) The City may be using SRF loan funds and State Capital Outlay funds to replace the main pump station comminutor.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 9th day of March, 2022, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

A motion was offered by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Lyle Fogleman to postpone the award a construction contract to NCMC, L.L.C., in the amount of \$1,801,130.00 for the “Rehabilitation of the Sewerage Collection System” project in accordance with the letter of

recommendation by Mader Engineering, Inc., and contingent upon concurrence from the Office of Community Development until the new proposed policy from LCDBG is finalized. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; the motion carried unanimously.

RECREATION COMMITTEE:

A motion was offered by Alderman Steven Premeaux and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to authorize a Resolution declaring certain items, namely 160 lights and 16 poles and 64 sets of stadium seats removed from Miller Stadium, no longer needed for public use and declaring the items surplus junk equipment; authorizing the sale or donation of said items and alternatively, authorizing the disposal and destruction of same, providing for other terms and conditions authorizing the Mayor to execute any and all other documents as may be necessary and proper for said transaction; and to provide all matter relative thereto and in connection therewith. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The resolution having been submitted to a voice vote; the resolution carried unanimously.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, STATE OF LOUISIANA, DECLARING CERTAIN ITEMS/EQUIPMENT NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE AND DECLARING THE ITEMS AS SURPLUS JUNK EQUIPMENT; AUTHORIZING THE SALE OR DONATION OF SAID ITEMS AND ALTERNATIVELY, AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL AND DESTRUCTION OF SAME, PROVIDING FOR OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY AND PROPER FOR SAID TRANSACTION; AND TO PROVIDE ALL MATTER RELATIVE THERETO AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley recently purchased new baseball/softball field outdoor lighting poles and LED lights for the Crowley Recreation Department ball fields and new stadium seats for Miller Stadium; and

WHEREAS, the existing lighting systems and seats which were removed are obsolete and no longer needed by the Crowley Recreation Department and are therefore surplus equipment; and

WHEREAS, there are 16 creosote treated wooden poles approximately 60' in length are 30 years old or more and have reached the end of their life cycle and have a short remaining useful life to their age rendering the use of these poles inappropriate for the installation of the new high-tech LED lighting system and have little to no salvage value due to being creosote treated; and

WHEREAS, there are 160 metal halide lights and attachment hardware which are being phased out and are now basically obsolete and inappropriate as upgrades to meet today's standards and are of little to no value; and

WHEREAS, there are 64 sets of stadium seats consisting of 4 seats mounted to an aluminum frame which were removed from Miller Stadium due to their age and condition and the manufacturer has announced plans to discontinue these models and the seats are now considered obsolete with

little to no value since replacement parts are difficult to find and they are prone to failure due to age;
and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Department has concluded that the cost of removal and disposal of the equipment would be expensive and would more than offset the cost of salvage value for junk or scrap metal; and

WHEREAS, other public bodies have expressed interest in acquiring the above referenced items; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen find the creosote treated wooden poles, the metal halide lights and the stadium seats are no longer needed by the Crowley Recreation Department or any other department and are of little to no value and should be declared surplus junk equipment with minimum salvage value; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has requested the Board of Aldermen authorize the donation and/or sale of the said items to other qualified public entities who may declare a need for them for public purposes at the current market value per pound as scrap metal or alternatively, to authorize the destruction and disposal of same; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen having reviewed the recommendation of the Recreation Department and of the Mayor find it is in the best interest of the City of Crowley that the said items be declared surplus junk equipment and be donated and/or sold at a minimum price per pound in accordance with the current market value to other public entities for public purposes as authorized by law or, in the alternative, be destroyed and disposed of;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Parish of Acadia, State of Louisiana, in regular session duly convened, that they do hereby find the following described items are no longer needed by the Crowley Recreation Department or any other department of the City of Crowley and are hereby declared surplus junk equipment of little to no value other than minimum salvage value and available to be sold or donated to other public entities or to be disposed of, to-wit:

- 1) 64 sets of 4 individual stadium seats on aluminum frames (estimated value of \$20.00 per set)
- 2) 16 creosote treated wooden poles approximately 60' in length (no value considering cost of disposal)
- 3) 160 metal halide lights and mounting hardware (estimated \$8.00 per light or \$1,280.00 for all)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above referenced items are declared to be obsolete and junk with no reasonable market value; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen does hereby authorize, empower and direct the Honorable Tim Monceaux, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to offer to be sold the above referenced items as junk/scrap metal at the minimum price for per pound in accordance with the current market value or alternatively, be destroyed and disposed of; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Honorable Tim Monceaux, Mayor, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to donate to other qualified public entities who may declare a need for the above referenced items for public purposes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Honorable Tim Monceaux, Mayor, be and he is authorized, empowered and directed to execute any and all necessary documents necessary in connection with the sale of donation of the above referenced items.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 9th day of March, 2022, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE:

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to approve the application for a Zoning Variance to allow for construction of a storage building 300 sq. ft. larger than permitted on property owned by Troy Borill located at 109 E. Hoyt Avenue in Crowley, Louisiana. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; the motion carried unanimously.

A motion was offered by Alderman Lyle Fogleman and seconded by Alderman Steven Premeaux to a Resolution introducing a proposed ordinance and calling for a public hearing concerning same for the annexation of The Mill property. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The resolution having been submitted to a voice vote; the resolution carried unanimously.

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 of public hearing shall provide the time and place where the Board will hold the public hearing and 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 and to hold a public hearing at the next regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, to-wit:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND ENLARGING THE CORPORATE BOUNDARY OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, DEFINING THE BOUNDARY OF A 41.605-ACRE TRACT OF LAND CONSISTING OF AN 11.21 ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA AND A 29.68-ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTIONS 5 AND 8, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA AS SHOWN AS ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY FOR COLBY POMMIER ET AL SHOWING A 41.605 ACRE-TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN SECTIONS 5 AND 8, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, PREPARED BY A. HEBERT LAND SURVEYING DATED JUNE 22, 2021 OWNED BY COLBY POMMIER ET AL., LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE EXISTING CORPORATE LIMITS FO THE CITY OF CROWLEY, WHICH TRACTS ARE PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROPERTY SO ANNEXED BE ZONED I-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT; TO PROVIDE THE AREA SO ANNEXED SHALL BE A PART OF WARD FOUR (4) OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO REDEFINE AND RESTATE THE BOUNDARY OF THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED ADOPTION OF
ORDINANCE

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley shall meet in regular session on the 13th day of April, 2022, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Criminal Justice Building, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana, to hold a public hearing and to consider the adoption of the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND ENLARGING THE CORPORATE BOUNDARY OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, DEFINING THE BOUNDARY OF A 41.605-ACRE TRACT OF LAND CONSISTING OF AN 11.21 ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA AND A 29.68-ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTIONS 5 AND 8, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA AS

SHOWN AS ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY FOR COLBY POMMIER ET AL SHOWING A 41.605 ACRE-TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN SECTIONS 5 AND 8, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, PREPARED BY A. HEBERT LAND SURVEYING DATED JUNE 22, 2021 OWNED BY COLBY POMMIER ET AL., LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE EXISTING CORPORATE LIMITS FO THE CITY OF CROWLEY, WHICH TRACTS ARE PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROPERTY SO ANNEXED BE ZONED I-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT; TO PROVIDE THE AREA SO ANNEXED SHALL BE A PART OF WARD FOUR (4) OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO REDEFINE AND RESTATE THE BOUNDARY OF THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONTRARY THERETO OR IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROVISIONS HEREOF TO BE SEVERABLE; 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 March, 2022.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

A motion was offered by Alderman Brad Core and seconded by Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow to approve the liquor permit for Big Daddy 2020 Inc. (DBA Cajun Mart) 109 S. Eastern Ave. 2022 Class B Package Liquor Permit. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; Alderman Samuel Reggie abstained; the motion carried.

A motion was offered by Alderman Brad Core and seconded by Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow to authorize a Resolution ordering and issuing a Rule to Show Cause to set a Public Hearing for Condemnation of Property situated on Lot 4 of Block 27 of the City of Crowley; said property being located on W. 1st Street between N. Avenues A & B, owned by Cassandra Davis (a/k/a Cassandra Davis London). Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The resolution having been submitted to a voice vote; the resolution carried unanimously.

**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(s) of the Building and Safety Codes of the City of Crowley; and

WHEREAS, Notice of Violations has been issued to the property owner, Cassandra Davis, by the City Inspector's office dated December 16, 2021, via Certified Mail Return Receipt No. 70210950000196862145 and via US Mail for repairs and/or demolition to be made of the improvements situated on Lot 4 of Block 27 of the City of Crowley Louisiana, which notice was received by the property owner via US Mail; and

WHEREAS, no action has been taken and the City Inspector has requested a public hearing for 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 Cassandra Davis for a public hearing to show cause why the improvements on the property situated on Lot 4 of Block 27 of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, should not be condemned, to be held by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on the 13th day of April, 2022,

in regular 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 9th day of March, 2022, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMITTEE:

A motion was offered by Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to consider the request of One Crowley for the City to co-sponsor, in 2022, the organization's artisan market at the Wells Fargo Building, beginning March 12th and continuing bi-weekly through the end of the year. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; the motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

A motion was offered by Alderman Samuel Reggie and seconded by Alderman Clint Cradeur to approve for the City to co-sponsor the following Crowley Main Street events for 2022: March 25th – 26th History Alive; April 29th Art & Wine Stroll; May 13th-14th History Alive; September 17th Kids Day; October 14th-15th History Alive; November 10th Taste of Crowley; November 25th-26th History Alive; November 26th Small Business Saturday; and December 10th Christmas in Crowley. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; the motion carried unanimously.

A motion was offered by Alderman Samuel Reggie and seconded by Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow to suspend the open container ordinance to allow Crowley Main Street to serve for consumption wine on North Parkerson Avenue between the Courthouse and 2nd Street in the City of Crowley during the organization's Art & Wine Stroll scheduled for April 29, 2022, between 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., and Taste of Crowley scheduled for November 10, 2022, from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; the motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderwoman Kim Stringfellow and seconded by Alderman Brad Core the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


TIM MONCEAUX, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SHANTEL ALLEMAN, CITY CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on 3/10/2022 at 10:24 AM/PM.
Presented for Mayor signature on 3/10/2022 at 2:00 AM/PM.
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on 3/11/22 at 8:00 AM/PM.
Publish in newspaper on _____