

CITY OF CROWLEY
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2023

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Louisiana, the governing authority of the City of Crowley, met in a special session at 6:00 p.m. Monday the 14th day of August 2023 at the meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the City Hall Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana, after the giving and posting of prior notice of said meeting in the manner provided by law.

Mayor Chad Monceaux presided with the presence of the following Aldermen: Chuck Ashby, Katie Chiasson, Thompson Bradford Core, Jeff Doré, Dickie Latiolais, Vernon Martin, Sandy Marx, Samuel J. Reggie III, and Byron K. Wilridge, Sr. Alderman-at-Large Chuck Ashby gave the invocation. Alderman Samuel J. Reggie III led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The following call was read:

August 9, 2023

City of Crowley
Special Council Meeting Notice

You are hereby notified that a Special Council Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley will be held on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Criminal Justice Building, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

The purpose of said meeting will be to:

- 1. To consider the condemnation the following properties:**
 - a. 124 Dronet St. (Wood Frame Home), Parcel #0610093200, Eschnell & Mary Cormier**
 - b. 124 Dronet St. (Metal Storage Building), Parcel #0610093200, Eschnell & Mary Cormier**
 - c. 317 E. Pine St., Parcel #0610217500, Mitchell Shane Hoffpauir**
 - d. 127 Dronet St., Parcel #0610361450, Wayne Paul Dailey**
 - e. 815 W. 10th St., Parcel #0610008910, Ruby Allen Dalcour**
 - f. 514 E. 10th St., Parcel #0610105141, Wayne Paul Dailey**
 - g. 1226 N Ave J, Parcel #0610217050, Paul Wayne Dailey**
 - h. 822 W 9th St., Parcel #0610235510, Abram Johnson Jr.**
 - i. 909 W 10th St., Parcel #0610342900, Benjamin Phillips**
 - j. 1004 W 10th St., Parcel #0610169050, Idella Goodwill c/o Timothy Hayes Jr.**
 - k. 702 W 10th St., Parcel #0610033200, Michael Blaine Benoit**
 - l. 1524 N Ave H, Parcel #0610168150, Harry & Peggy Gnau**
 - m. 1546 N Ave H, Parcel #0610396164, Russell Scott Semar**

/s/Chad Monceaux
Chad Monceaux, Mayor

-In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact Glenn Dorr II at (337) 788-4103 describing the assistance that is necessary.

-The notice was posted at City Hall on August 9, 2023, at 3:15 a.m. and the notice was transmitted to all members of the Council and all persons requesting notice as required by law at the same time.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 124 Dronet St. (Wood Frame Home) Parcel# 0610093200 owned by Eschnell & Mary Cormier should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and the city received a return receipt showing delivery on July 22, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard, with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC, inspected the home and presented his findings. Mr. Cormier stated his opinion on the condition of the home and his intentions to repair the home. A motion was made by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Byron K. Wilridge, Sr. to allow Mr. Cormier 90 days to bring the property located at 124 Dronet St. (Wood Frame Home), Parcel #0610093200 up to code enforcement standards. Motion carried.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 124 Dronet St. (Metal Storage Building) Parcel# 0610093200 owned by Eschnell & Mary Cormier should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and the city received a return receipt showing delivery on July 22, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings, and the property was found to be in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the public welfare. Mr. Cormier stated his opinion on the condition of the storage building. A motion was made by Alderman Thompson Bradford Core and seconded by Alderwoman Sandy Marx to order condemnation and demolition in 30 days of the property located at 124 Dronet St. (Metal Storage Building), Parcel #0610093200. Motion carried.

Mr. Rodney Richard recommended to postpone the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 317 E. Pine St. due to a discrepancy in information dealing with the property. A motion was made by Alderwoman Sandy Marx and seconded by Alderwoman Katie Chiasson to postpone the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 317 E. Pine St., Parcel #0610217500. Motion carried.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 127 Dronet St. Parcel# 0610361450 owned by Paul Wayne Dailey should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and the city received a return receipt showing delivery on July 25, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings, and the property was found to be in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the public welfare. Mr. Dailey stated his opinion on the property and intentions to repair the home. A motion was made by Alderwoman Sandy Marx and seconded by Alderman Samuel J. Reggie III to order the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 127 Dronet St., Parcel #0610361450 in 30 days. Motion carried.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 815 W. 10th St. Parcel# 0610008910 owned by Ruby Allen Dalcour should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice by certified mail was returned unclaimed and we have a notarized certificate of service certifying that notice by first class mail was mailed on July 20, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings, and the property was found to be in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the public welfare. A motion was made by Alderwoman Sandy Marx and seconded by Alderman Samuel J. Reggie III to order the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 815 W. 10th St., Parcel #0610008910 in 30 days. Motion carried.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 514 E. 10th St. Parcel# 0610105141 owned by Paul Wayne Dailey should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and the city received a return receipt showing delivery on July 25, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings, and the property was found to be in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the public welfare. A motion was made by

Alderswoman Sandy Marx and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to order the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 514 E. 10th St., Parcel #0610105141 in 30 days. Motion carried.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 1226 N Ave J Parcel #0610217050 owned by Paul Wayne Dailey should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and the city received a return receipt showing delivery on July 25, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings, and the property was found to be in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the public welfare. A motion was made by Alderswoman Sandy Marx and seconded by Alderman Samuel J. Reggie III to order the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 1226 N Ave J, Parcel #0610217050 in 30 days. Motion carried.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 822 W 9th St. Parcel# 0610235510 owned by Abram Johnson, Jr. should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice by certified mail was returned unclaimed and we have a notarized certificate of service certifying that notice by first class mail was mailed on July 20, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings. Mrs. Darcia Johnson, wife of Mr. Abram Johnson III, stated that Mr. Abram Johnson, Jr. is deceased, and she voiced the family's intentions on the repairs of the home. She also stated that they are involved in a succession of the property with Mr. Johnson III's siblings. A motion was made by Alderswoman Sandy Marx and seconded by Alderswoman Katie Chiasson to postpone the order of condemnation and demolition of the property located at 822 W 9th St., Parcel #0610235510 until the next Special Meeting regarding blighted properties to ensure that all siblings were notified. Motion carried.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 909 W 10th St. Parcel #0610342900 owned by Benjamin Philips should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and the city received a return receipt showing delivery on July 24, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings, and the property was found to be in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the public welfare. A motion was made by Alderswoman Sandy Marx and seconded by Alderman Samuel J. Reggie III to order the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 909 W 10th St., Parcel #0610342900 in 30 days. Alderman Vernon Martin abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 1004 W 10th St. Parcel #0610169050 owned by Idella Goodwill c/o Timothy Hayes, Jr. should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and the city received a return receipt showing delivery on August 3, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings, and the property was found to be in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the public welfare. Mr. Smokey Wheeler spoke on behalf of the property owner and stated the property owners' intentions to repair the property. A motion was made by Alderswoman Sandy Marx and seconded by Alderman Samuel J. Reggie III to order the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 1004 W 10th St., Parcel #0610169050 in 30 days. Motion carried. Mr. Wheeler asked about the appeal process to which the Mayor stated property owners have 5 days to file an appeal.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 702 W 10th St. Parcel #0610033200 owned by Michael Blaine Benoit should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and we have a return receipt showing delivery on July 28, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings, and the property was found to be in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the public welfare. A motion was made by Alderman Thompson Bradford Core and seconded by Alderman-at-Large Chuck Ashby to order the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 702 W 10th St., Parcel #0610033200 in 30 days. Motion carried.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 1524 N Ave H Parcel #0610168150 owned by Harry & Peggy Gnau should not be condemned and asked if there was

service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and the city received a return receipt showing delivery on July 22, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings. Mrs. Angela Hollier, daughter of Harry Gnau, stated that a succession has not been performed on the property yet and that she would prefer to have the property demolished after a succession is performed. Attorney Michael Landry informed Mrs. Hollier of a small succession affidavit that can be performed to expedite the process. A motion was made by Alderwoman Sandy Marx and seconded by Alderman Jeff Doré to postpone the order of condemnation and demolition of the property located at 1524 N Ave H, Parcel #0610168150 until the next Special Meeting dealing with blighted properties. Motion carried. Attorney Michael Landry stated that an appeal can be filed within 5 days after the order of condemnation.

Mayor Chad Monceaux opened the Rule to Show Cause why the property located at 1546 N Ave H Parcel #0610396164 owned by Russell Scott Semar should not be condemned and asked if there was service. City Clerk Glenn Dorr II stated that a notice was sent to the owner by certified mail and the city received a return receipt showing delivery on July 24, 2023. Mr. Rodney Richard with Building Code Inspection Services, LLC inspected the home and presented his findings, and the property was found to be in a dilapidated and dangerous condition that endangers the public welfare. Mr. Russell Scott Semar voiced his opinion on using the home as a storage facility. A motion was made by Alderman Thompson Bradford Core and seconded by Alderwoman Sandy Marx to order the condemnation and demolition of the property located at 1546 N Ave H, Parcel #0610396164 in 30 days. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued on how the properties will be demolished and the process of the order of condemnation and demolition. Mayor Chad Monceaux stated that there could be a grant issued to the city in the next year to help with the cost of demolition if the city must demolish the structures on the properties. Attorney Michael Landry spoke on potential solutions to recouping the cost of said demolitions for the city.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Thompson Bradford Core and seconded by Alderwoman Sandy Marx the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

CHAD MONCEAUX, MAYOR

ATTEST:

GLENN DORR, II, CITY CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on _____ at _____ A.M/P.M.

Presented for Mayor signature on _____ at _____ A.M/P.M.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on _____ at _____ A.M/P.M.

Publish in newspaper on _____.