

CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 2024

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 5:00 p.m. Tuesday the 17th day of September 2024 at the regular meeting place of said Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the Council Chambers, 426 North Avenue F, Crowley, Louisiana.

Mayor Chad Monceaux presided with the following Aldermen present: Chuck Ashby, Katie Chiasson, Thompson Bradford Core, Jeff Doré, Dickie Latiolais, Vernon Martin, Samuel J. Reggie III, Sandy Marx, and Byron K. Wilridge, Sr.

None were absent.

Alderman Chuck Ashby gave the invocation. Alderman Vernon Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

APPEARANCES:

Ms. Rhyann Wheeler, CEO of the Boys and Girls Club of Acadiana, presented a presentation to the Council on the Boys and Girls Club opening in Crowley opening September 30th.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sandy Marx to amend the agenda to add the adoption of a resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and enter into an Exchange Agreement with the Acadia Parish Police Jury for the exchange of asphalt materials for a grapple truck seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for the discussion. There being no further discussion from the Council.

A roll was called with the vote as follows:

Yeas: Chuck Ashby, Katie Chiasson, Brad Core, Jeff Dore, Dickie Latiolais, Vernon Martin, Sandy Marx, Samuel Reggie and Bryon Wilridge.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

The motion passed by a vote of 0 nays and 9 yeas. The motion was adopted.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Alderwoman Sandra Marx moved to dispense with the reading of the August 20, 2024, Regular Council meeting seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin and duly adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORTS:

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

Mayor presented the status report of audit findings for fiscal year 2023.

Mayor presented the monthly budget-to-actual comparisons through July 31, 2024, that report the spending of major funds.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS:

A motion was made by Alderman Jeff Dore and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Acadia Parish Police Jury to consolidate the bid process for

materials and supplies by advertising for one public bid opening that would apply to both public bodies. 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 was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, bids are periodically taken by the City of Crowley (hereafter "City") for the purchase of materials and supplies, and related contracts have been awarded to the various qualified lowest bidders for a given period of time, and

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Police Jury (hereafter "APPJ") similarly undergoes procedures to advertise for and receive bids and award contracts for its purchases of materials and supplies, and

WHEREAS, it is expected that by joining together and having one set of specifications prepared, one advertisement for bids process conducted, and receiving and tabulating one set of bids, City and APPJ would each save significant time and expense; and

WHEREAS, the potential greater volume of combined City and APPJ demands for materials and supplies could greatly enhance competition amongst bidders for the contracts, as greater competition tends to lower bid prices.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Chad Monceaux be and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) with APPJ, said CEA to provide the necessary terms, conditions and responsibilities of both parties to cooperate in the preparation of a set of specifications for the purchasing of various materials and supplies, and advertise for and receive bids for same and award contracts under the Public Bid Law of the State of Louisiana, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract time for materials and supplies contracts be set at either six-month or twelve-month intervals, or other intervals that could reasonably be expected to generate the best possible competition among suppliers in ever-changing economic conditions and anticipated market fluctuations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mader Engineering, Inc. is hereby authorized to prepare the related specifications and contract documents, and administer the bid and contract award process for purchases of materials and supplies in accordance with the CEA.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Sandra Marx and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and enter into an Exchange Agreement with the Acadia Parish Police Jury for the exchange of asphalt materials for a grapple truck. 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 was carried unanimously.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE CHAD MONCEAUX, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO AN ACT OF EXCHANGE WITH THE ACADIA PARISH POLICE JURY PURSUANT TO LA CONSTITUTION ARTICLE VII SECTION 24(E); AND TO PROVIDE ALL MATTER RELATIVE THERETO AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Police Jury is obligated to provide the City of Crowley and all citizens of the Parish of Acadia with waste collection and disposal services funded through the collection of a parish-wide sales tax; and

WHEREAS, yard waste, construction debris, appliances and other junk may be deposited on City rights of way by property owners which are collected and picked up by employees of the Acadia

Parish Police Jury with equipment suitable for collection, removal and transportation for disposal of the said waste material and junk; and

WHEREAS, the Acadia Parish Police Jury collects these items with trucks to load and remove waste from the City of Crowley on Thursday of each week but the manpower and equipment is insufficient to remove the yard waste, trees, limbs, branches, appliances, lawnmowers and other junk deposited each week on the City street rights of way by City residents; and

WHEREAS, in order to better address the removal of said junk in a more timely manner, the parties design to exchange certain movable surplus property of equal value together with mutual benefits to be derived from said exchange and to promote and protect public safety within the City of Crowley;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Parish of Acadia, in regular session duly convened, that they do hereby authorize and empower the Honorable Chad Monceaux, Mayor of the City of Crowley, to negotiate and execute and Act of Exchange with the Acadia Parish Police Jury under the following terms and conditions, to-wit:

1. The City does hereby agree to give, grant, donate, exchange and convey to the Parish of Acadia 4,500 cubic yards of Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP) with an estimated value of \$140,625.00 in exchange for one (1) 2016 Daimler 52,000-lb Gross Vehicle Weight Rated Grapple Truck bearing VIN 3ALHCYCY0HDJC7635 together with all equipment and components, including but not limited to knuckle boom, grapple arm, bucket, thumb and/or dump trailer affixed thereto, valued at \$138,271.00.

2. The Parish shall be obligated to provide the City with at least 48 hours of advanced notice of its intention to pick up and remove each load of RAP from the City's yard to ensure the City opportunity to have representatives present to measure and certify the amount of RAP removed.

3. The Parish and City shall acknowledge that the property has been declared surplus property and the values exchanged are approximately equal to one another and the exchange will be of mutual benefit to both parties.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, on this the 17th day of September, 2024, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

REVENUE & FINANCE COMMITTEE:

A motion was made by Alderman Dickie Latiolais and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to approve to hire a full-time clerk for City Court, with the City of Crowley paying \$14,500.00 towards salary plus benefits on the \$14,500.00. 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 was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Alderman Dickie Latiolais and seconded by Alderwoman Sandra Marx to adopt a resolution authorizing the adoption of the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagements of Governmental Entities for Fiscal Year 2024. 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 was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF
ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA
PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION
OF THE LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE
FOR AUDIT ENGAGEMENTS OF GOVERNMENTAL
ENTITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley having received notice from the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, that the Compliance Questionnaire must be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Compliance Questionnaire is a required part of a financial audit of Louisiana governmental units and quasi-public; and

WHEREAS, the legal matters contained in the questionnaire parallel those matters contained in the *Laws Affecting Louisiana Government*; and

WHEREAS, the completed Compliance Questionnaire must be given to the auditors at the beginning of the audit and tested for accuracy of the responses in the questionnaire during the course of the audit;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, in regular session, duly convened, that they do hereby adopt the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire, dated September 5, 2024 to Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co, in connection with the audit of the financial statements for the year ending August 31, 2024, which questionnaire is attached to this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that they do hereby authorize the execution thereof by the Honorable Shantel Alleman, City Clerk, Tessa Bulter, Administrative Assistant and the Honorable Chad Monceaux, Mayor of the City of Crowley.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session duly convened on this the 17th of September, 2024 at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE
(For Audit Engagements of Government Entities)
September 5, 2024

Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Company, LLC
Certified Public Accountants
200 S. Main Street
Abbeville, LA 70510

In connection with your audit of our financial statements as of August 31, 2024 and for the year ended August 31, 2024 for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to the fair presentation of our financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to assess our system of internal control as a part of your audit, and to review our

compliance with applicable laws and regulations, we confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following representations. These representations are based on the information available to us as of August 31, 2024.

PART I. AGENCY PROFILE

1. Name and address of the organization.

City of Crowley
P. O. Box 1463
Crowley, LA 70527-1463

2. List the population of the municipality or parish based upon the last official United States Census or most recent official census (municipalities and police juries only). Include the source of the information.

11,710 - 2020 Census

3. List names, addresses, and telephone numbers of entity officials. [Include elected/appointed members of the governing board, chief executive and fiscal officer, and legal counsel.

P. O. Box 1463, Crowley, LA 70527-1463 (337) 788-4100
Mayor: Chad Monceaux
Aldermen: Chuck Ashby, Jeff Dore, Brad Core, Katie Chiasson, Sandra Marx, Vernon Martin, Byron Wilridge, Dickie Latiolais, Samuel Reggie.
Interim City Clerk: Shantel Alleman
Administrative Asst.: Tessa Butler
City Attorney: Thomas Regan

4. Period of time covered by this questionnaire:

September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024

5. The entity has been organized under the following provisions of the Louisiana Revised Statute (s) (LSA-RS) and, if applicable, local resolutions/ordinances.

Lawrason Act

6. Briefly describe the public services provided:

Public Building, Drainage, Street Maintenance, Sewage, Police Protection, Fire Protection, Animal Control, Code Enforcement, Recreation Facilities, Public Investments, Public Records, Archives, License and Taxes, Budgeting of Revenue and Expenditures

7. Expiration date of current elected/appointed officials' terms.

December 31, 2026

LEGAL COMPLIANCE

PART II. PUBLIC BID LAW

8. The provisions of the public bid law, R.S. Title 38:2211-2296, and, where applicable, the regulations of the Division of Administration, State Purchasing Office have been complied with.

- A) All public works purchases exceeding \$250,000 have been publicly bid.
- B) All material and supply purchases exceeding \$60,000 have been publicly bid.

Yes [X] No []

PART III. CODE OF ETHICS LAW FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

9. It is true that no employees or officials have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1101-1124.

Yes [X] No []

10. It is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governing authority, or the chief executive of the governmental entity, has been employed by the governmental entity after April 1, 1980, under circumstances that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1119.

Yes [X] No []

PART IV. LAWS AFFECTING BUDGETING

11. We have complied with the budgeting requirements of the Local Government Budget Act (R.S. 39:1301-15) R.S. 39:33, or R.S. 39:1331-1342, as applicable:

A. Local Budget Act

1. We have adopted a budget for the General Fund and all special revenue funds (R.S. 39:1305).
2. The chief executive officer, or equivalent, has prepared a proposed budget that included a budget message, a proposed budget for the General Fund and each special revenue fund, and a budget adoption instrument that specified the chief executive's authority to make budgetary amendments without approval of the governing authority. Furthermore, the proposed expenditures did not exceed estimated funds to be available during the period (R.S. 39:1305).
3. The proposed budget was submitted to the governing authority and made available for public inspection at least 15 days prior to the beginning of the budget year (R.S. 39:1306).
4. To the extent that proposed expenditures were greater than \$500,000, we have made the budget available for public inspection and have advertised its availability in our official journal. The advertisement included the date, time, and place of the public hearing on the budget. Notice has also been published certifying that all actions required by the Local Government Budget Act have been completed (R.S. 39:1307).
5. If required the proposed budget was made available for public inspection at the location required by R.S. 39:1308.
6. All action necessary to adopt and finalize the budget was completed prior to the date required by state law. The adopted budget contained the same information as that required for the proposed budget R.S. 39:1309.
7. After adoption, a certified copy of the budget has been retained by the chief executive officer or equivalent officer (R.S. 39:1309).
8. To the extent that proposed expenditures were greater than \$500,000, the chief executive officer or equivalent notified the governing authority in writing during the year when actual receipts plus projected revenue collections for the year failed to meet budgeted revenues by five percent or more, or when actual expenditures plus projected expenditures to year end exceeded budgeted expenditures by five percent or more (R.S. 39:1311).
9. The governing authority has amended its budget when notified, as provided by R.S. 39:1311. (Note, general and special revenue fund budgets should be amended, regardless of the amount of expenditures in the fund, when actual receipts plus projected revenue collections for the year fail to meet budgeted revenues by five percent or more; or when actual expenditures plus projected expenditures to year end exceed budgeted expenditures five percent or more. State law exempts from the amendment requirements special revenue funds with anticipated expenditures of \$500,000 or less, and exempts special revenue funds whose revenues are expenditure-driven-primarily federal funds-from the requirement to amend revenues.)

Yes [X] No []

B. State Budget Requirements

1. The state agency has complied with the budgetary requirements of R.S. 39:33.

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

C. Licensing Boards

1. The licensing board has complied with the budgetary requirements of R.S. 39:1331-1342.

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

PART V. ACCOUNTING, AUDITING, AND FINANCIAL REPORTING LAWS

12. We have maintained our accounting records in such a manner as to provide evidence of legal compliance and the preparation of annual financial statements to comply with R.S. 24:514, 24:515, and/or 33:463.

Yes [X] No []

13. All non-exempt governmental records are available as a public record and have been retained for at least three years, as required by R.S. 44:1, 44:7, 44:31, and 44:36.

Yes [X] No []

14. We have filed our annual financial statements in accordance with R.S. 24:514, and 33:463 where applicable.

Yes [X] No []

15. We have had our financial statements audited in a timely manner in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

Yes [X] No []

16. We have maintained records of our fixed assets and movable property records, as required by R.S. 24:513 A.(3) regarding disclosure of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to the agency head, political subdivision head, or chief executive officer.

Yes [X] No []

PART VI. MEETINGS

17. We have complied with the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, provided in R.S. 42:11 through 42:28

Yes [X] No []

PART VII. ASSET MANAGEMENT LAWS

18. We have maintained records of our fixed assets and movable property records, as required by R.S. 24:515 and/or 39:321-332, as applicable.

Yes [X] No []

PART VIII. FISCAL AGENCY AND CASH MANAGEMENT LAWS

19. We have complied with the fiscal agency and cash management requirements of R.S. 39:1211-45 and 49:301-327, as applicable.

Yes [X] No []

PART IX. DEBT RESTRICTION LAWS

20. It is true we have not incurred any long-term indebtedness without the approval of the State Bond Commission, as provided by Article VII, Section 8 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, Article VI, Section 33 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, and R.S. 39:1410.60-1410.65.

Yes [X] No []

21. We have complied with the debt limitation requirements of state law (R.S. 39:562).

Yes [X] No []

22. We have complied with the reporting requirements relating to the Fiscal Review Committee of the State Bond Commission (R.S. 39:1410.62).

Yes [X]

No []

PART X. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE RESTRICTION LAWS

23. We have restricted the collections and expenditures of revenues to those amounts authorized by Louisiana statutes, tax propositions, and budget ordinances.

Yes [X] No []

24. It is true we have not advanced wages or salaries to employees or paid bonuses in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution, R.S. 14:138, and AG opinion 79-729.

Yes [X] No []

25. It is true that no property or things of value have been loaned, pledged, or granted to anyone in violation of Article VII, Section 14 of the 1974 Louisiana Constitution.

Yes [X] No []

PART XI. ISSUERS OF MUNICIPAL SECURITIES

26. It is true that we have complied with the requirements of R.S. 39:1438.C.

Yes ☒ No ☐

PART XII. QUESTIONS FOR SPECIFIC GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

Paris Governments

27. We have adopted a system of road administration that provides as follows:

- A. Approval of the governing authority of all expenditures, R.S. 48:755(A).
- B. Development of a capital improvement program on a selective basis, R.S. 48:755.
- C. Centralized purchasing of equipment and supplies, R.S. 48:755.
- D. Centralized accounting, R.S. 48:755.
- E. A construction program based on engineering plans and inspections, R.S. 48:755.
- F. Selective maintenance program, R.S. 48:755.
- G. Annual certification of compliance to auditor, R.S. 48:758.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

School Boards

28. We have complied with the general statutory, constitutional, and regulatory provisions of the Louisiana Department of Education, R.S. 17:51-401.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

29. We have complied with the regulatory circulars issued by the Louisiana Department of Education that govern the Minimum Foundation Program.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

30. We have, to the best of our knowledge, accurately compiled the performance measurement data contained in the following schedules and recognize that your agreed-upon procedures will be applied to such schedules and performance measurement data:

Parish school boards are required to report as part of their annual financial statements measures of performance. These performance indicators are found in the supplemental schedules:

- Schedule 1, General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenues Sources
- Schedule 2, Education Levels of Public School Staff
- Schedule 3, Number and Type of Public Schools
- Schedule 4, Experience of Public Principals, Assistant Principals, and Full-time Classroom Teachers
- Schedule 5, Public School Staff Data: Average Salaries
- Schedule 6, Class Size Characteristics
- Schedule 7, Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP)
- Schedule 8, Graduation Exit Examination (GEE) (Note: this schedule is no longer applicable.)
- Schedule 9, iLEAP Tests

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

Tax Collectors

31. We have complied with the general statutory requirements of R.S. 47.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

Sheriffs

32. We have complied with the state supplemental pay regulations of R.S. 40:1667.7.7.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

33. We have complied with R.S. 33:5535 relating to the feeding and keeping of prisoners.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

District Attorneys

34. We have complied with the regulations of the DCFS that relate to the Title IV-D Program.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

Assessors

35. We have complied with the regulatory requirements found in R.S. Title 47.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

36. We have complied with the regulations of the Louisiana Tax Commission relating to the reassessment of property.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

Clerks of Court

37. We have complied with R.S. 13:751-917 and applicable sections of R.S. 11:501-1562.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

Libraries

38. We have complied with the regulations of the Louisiana State Library.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

Municipalities

39. Minutes are taken at all meetings of the governing authority. R.S. 42:7.1.

Yes ☒ No ☐

40. Minutes, ordinances, resolutions, budgets, and other official proceedings of the municipalities are published in the official journal. R.S. 43:141-146 and A.G. 86-528.

Yes ☒ No ☐

41. All official action taken by the municipality is conducted at public meetings. (R.S. 42:11 to 42:28).

Yes ☒ No ☐

Airports

42. We have submitted our applications for funding airport construction or development to the Department of Transportation and Development as required by R.S. 2:802.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

43. We have adopted a system of administration that provides for approval by the department for any expenditures of funds appropriated from the Transportation Trust Fund, and no funds have been expended without department approval (R.S. 2:810).

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

44. All project funds have been expended on the project and for no other purpose (R.S. 2:810).

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

45. We have certified to the auditor, on an annual basis, that we have expended project funds in accordance with the standards established by law (R.S. 2:811).

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

Ports

46. We have submitted our applications for funding port construction or development to the Department of Transportation and Development as required by R.S. 34:3452.

N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐

47. We have adopted a system of administration that provides for approval by the department for any expenditures of funds made out of state and local matching funds, and no funds have been expended without department approval (R.S. 34:3460).

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

48. All project funds have been expended on the project and for no other purpose (R.S. 34:3460).

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

49. We have established a system of administration that provides for the development of a capital improvement program on a selective basis, centralized purchasing of equipment and supplies, centralized accounting, and the selective maintenance and construction of port facilities based upon engineering plans and inspections (R.S. 34:3460).

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

50. We have certified to the auditor, on an annual basis, that we have expended project funds in accordance with the standards established by law (R.S. 34:3461).

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

Sewerage Districts

51. We have complied with the statutory requirements of R.S. 33:3881-4159.10.

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

Waterworks Districts

52. We have complied with the statutory requirements of R.S. 33:3811-3837.

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

Utility Districts

53. We have complied with the statutory requirements of R.S. 33:4161-4546.21.

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

Drainage and Irrigation Districts

54. We have complied with the statutory requirements of R.S. 38:1601-1707 (Drainage Districts); R.S. 38:1751-1921 (Gravity Drainage Districts); R.S. 38:1991-2048 (Levee and Drainage Districts); or R.S. 38:2101-2123 (Irrigation Districts), as appropriate.

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

Fire Protection Districts

55. We have complied with the statutory requirements of R.S. 40:1491-1509.

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

Other Special Districts

56. We have complied with those specific statutory requirements of state law applicable to our district.

N/A [X] Yes [] No []

A motion was made by Alderman Dickie Latiolais and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to adopt a resolution in support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request for funds to construct and equip a new Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory. 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 was carried unanimously.

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ACADIANA
CRIMINALISTICS LABORATORY DISTRICT CAPITAL
OUTLAY REQUEST FOR FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP
A NEW ACADIANA CRIMINALISTICS LABORATORY;
COMMITTING TO PROVIDE THE CITY'S PRO-RATA SHARE
OF MATCHING FUNDS UP TO THE AMOUNT OF \$160,303.00
SHOULD SAID CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST BE FUNDED BY

THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS
BE REQUIRED; PROVIDING FOR THE AFFECTIVE DATE
THEREOF; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT
THERE TO.

WHEREAS, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District is a political subdivision of the state of Louisiana operating the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory for the purpose of crime detection, prevention, investigation, and other related criminal investigative services; and

WHEREAS, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District boundaries include the parishes of Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary and Vermillion; and

WHEREAS, the current Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory facility is in need of repairs, expansion, and upgrading to meet the increased demand for its services by the law enforcement, professional, and judicial communities; and

WHEREAS, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District has submitted a Capital Outlay Request to the state of Louisiana for funding to plan, construct, and equip a much needed new Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory, including office, evidence storage, and laboratory space; and

WHEREAS, the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory project is extremely important to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Acadiana region; and

WHEREAS, most Capital Outlay Requests require some level of local matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley City Council wishes to express its full and complete support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request and its commitment to provide its pro-rat a share of any required matching funds should the request be funded.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Crowley City Council hereby expresses its full and complete support of the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District Capital Outlay Request to the state of Louisiana for funding to plan, construct, and equip a new Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Crowley City Council also commits to providing its pro rata share of matching funds up to an amount of \$160,303.00 should the Capital Outlay Request made by the Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory District be funded by the state of Louisiana and local matching funds be required.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVE that this resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the City of Crowley City Council and approved by the Mayor.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Chuck Ashby, Katie Chiasson, Brad Core, Jeff Dore, Dickie Latiolais, Vernon Martin, Sandy Marx, Samuel Reggie and Bryon Wilridge.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 17th day of September, 2024.

A motion was made by Alderman Dickie Latiolais and seconded by Alderwoman Katie Chiasson to approve the Industrial Tax Exemption Application #20210531-ITE from Supreme Rice, LLC for the project to build a new parboil rice mill inside the existing building located on Mill St. 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 was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Alderman Dickie Latiolais and seconded by Alderwoman Sandra

Marx to table to appropriation of up to \$12,000.00 from the Traffic Detail account to General Fund for the Crowley Police Department to purchase a CVSA machine and additional training of two officers and to dispose of surplus equipment. Mayor Monceaux explained that this was done in haste and that the Crowley Police Department has funds appropriated to these line items already and that there was no need to appropriate more right now. He stated that he and the City Clerk met with Police Chief Troy Hebert and explained that this should have been in his monthly report but the request for appropriation should be done with the department is close to exceeding the approved budget. 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 was tabled unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS:

A motion was made by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderwoman Sandra Marx to adopt a resolution accepting the state examiner's test results for District Chief and Captain and certify those personnel meet Officer 1 standards for the City of Crowley . Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council.

A roll was called with the vote as follows:

Yeas: Chuck Ashby, Katie Chiasson, Brad Core, Jeff Dore, Dickie Latiolais, Vernon Martin, Sandy Marx, Samuel Reggie and Bryon Wilridge.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Abstained: None.

The resolution passed by a vote of 0 nays and 9 yeas. The resolution was adopted.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, ACCEPTING THE STATE EXAMINER'S TEST RESULTS FOR DISTRICT CHIEF AND CAPTAIN CERTIFIED TO THE CITY OF CROWLEY AFTER SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ON THE JOB TRAINING IN RANK AND ATTENDING PROGRAMS AND TRAINING CLASSES REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES TO CERTIFY THE CAPABILITIES OF RANKING OFFICERS AS BEING COMPLIANT WITH OFFICER 1 STANDARDS AND CERTIFYING THAT THOSE PERSONNEL MEET OFFICER 1 STANDARDS FOR THE CITY OF CROWLEY ONLY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL MATTERS RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley has been notified of additional requirements of certification of supervisory officers' administrative capability to perform tasks related to administration and supervision of fire personnel; and

WHEREAS, all supervisory officers with the rank of Fire Chief, District Chief and Captain must be certified as meeting Officer 1 standards for the performance of administrative functions and management of personnel; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crowley Fire Department utilizes on the job training, in-house education and requires attending continuing education classes and seminars of fire personnel of the rank of Fire Chief, District Chief and Captain which includes training and education of administrative

responsibilities, functions and duties of a supervisory officer as well as management of and interaction with personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Crowley believes it is in the best interest of the City of Crowley accept the certification and test results by the State Examiner of the Fire Chief, District Chiefs and Captains as well as completion of on the job training in rank, in-house education and continuing education classes and seminars for the purpose of certifying supervisory fire personnel as meeting the Officer 1 standards for the City of Crowley only; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen believe it is in the best interest of the City of Crowley that all supervisory officers, as shown upon exhibit "A" attached hereto, meeting such requirements be certified as Fire Officer 1 for the City of Crowley only;

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 City of Crowley shall accept the certification of test results for Fire Chief, District Chief and Captain by the State Examiner and shall consider the successful completion of on the job training in rank and attending programs, classes and seminars regarding administrative duties for ranking officers in compliance with Fire Officer 1 standards; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Crowley does hereby certify that all personnel confirmed in rank of Fire Chief, District Chief and Captain and have completed their probationary period for time in service and on the job training be and they are hereby certified as Fire Officer 1 for the City of Crowley Fire Department only.

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session convened on the 17th day of September, 2024, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

Exhibit A: - Fire Officer 1

As of September 17, 2024

Chief Louis Romero Jr.

District Chiefs

Ricky Heinen
John Benoit
Daniel Miller

Captains

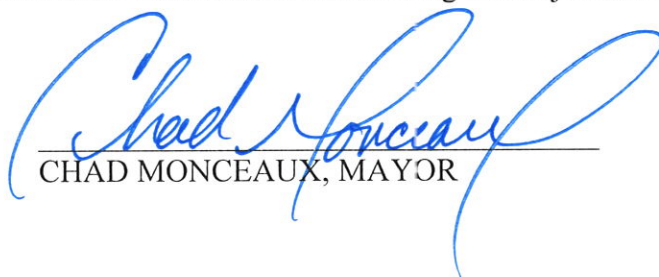
Jason Broussard
Damian Gautreaux
Garrick Ronkartz
Clay Cormier
Scott Mouton

Bryan Quibodeaux
Robert Burke
Dustin Lajack
Scott Hoffpauir
Jonathan Habetz
Jason Schmaltz
Chris Stutes

Drivers

Kendall Monte
Stephen Leger
Lucas Young
Austin McCarty
Olivia Richard
Aaron Murphy
Gaston Myers
Ty Hoffpauir
Alex Pousson

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Brad Core and seconded by Alderwoman Sandra Marx the meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.


CHAD MONCEAUX, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SHANTEL ALLEMAN, CITY CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on 9/18/24 at 1:15 AM/PM.
Presented for Mayor signature on 9/23/24 at 4:30 AM/PM.
Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on 9/24/24 at 9:00 AM/PM.
Publish in newspaper on _____