

**CITY OF CROWLEY
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 16, 2025**

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 16th day of December 2025 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: Katie Chiasson, Dickie Latiolais, Thompson Bradford Core, Jeff Doré, Samuel J. Reggie III and Vernon Martin.

Alderman Byron K. Wilridge Sr, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandra Marx were absent.

Mrs. Azora Procter gave the invocation. Police Chief Troy Hebert led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS:

A motion was made by Alderman Brad Core to amend the agenda to add the renewal of 2026 Beer and Liquor license of La Rumba under The Public Safety committee section seconded by Alderwoman Katie Chiasson. 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:

Yea: Katie Chiasson, Jeff Dore, Dickie Latiolais, Vernon Martin, Brad Core
And Samuel Reggie.

Nay: None.

Absent: Sandra Marx, Chuck Ashby and Bryon Wilridge.

Abstained: None.

The motion passed by a vote of 0 nays, 3 absent and 6 yeas. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Brad Core to amend the agenda to add the adoption of a resolution declaring expired fire equipment as surplus under The Public Safety committee section seconded by Alderwoman Katie Chiasson. 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:

Yea: Katie Chiasson, Jeff Dore, Dickie Latiolais, Vernon Martin, Brad Core
And Samuel Reggie.

Nay: None.

Absent: Sandra Marx, Chuck Ashby and Bryon Wilridge.

Abstained: None.

The motion passed by a vote of 0 nays, 3 absent and 6 yeas. The motion carried.

READING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Alderman Jeff Dore moved to dispense with the reading of the November 18, 2025, Regular Council meeting seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin and duly adopted.

MAYOR'S REPORTS:

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

Mayor Monceaux presented the status report of audit findings for fiscal year 2024.

Mayor Monceaux presented the monthly budget-to-actual comparisons through November 30, 2025.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

A motion was made by Alderman Jeff Dore and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to award contracts for “FY 2026-2027 Materials Purchases” for the period of February 1, 2026 through January 31, 2027 in accordance with recommendations of the City Engineer’s Bid Tabulation as attached in Exhibit “A”. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; Alderman Byron Wilridge, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandy Marx were absent; the motion was carried.

UTILITY COMMITTEE:

A motion was made by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to approve Partial Payment #1 to Spinks Construction, Inc for the Renovation of the Existing Duckweed Pond with Modular Insulated Cover project in the amount of \$1,534,677.50. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; Alderman Byron Wilridge, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandy Marx were absent; the motion was carried.

ZONING & ANNEXATION COMMITTEE:

A motion was made by Alderman Samuel Reggie and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to approve Partial Payment #1 to CO-D Construction of La., LLC. for the “Drainage Improvements for Lawrence Acres & VFW Drive” project in the amount of \$201,029.14. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; Alderman Byron Wilridge, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandy Marx were absent; the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Samuel Reggie and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to approve Change Order #1 to replace an old, corrugated metal culvert for the Drainage Improvements for Lawrence Acres & VFW Drive” project increasing the contract by \$1,898.00. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; Alderman Byron Wilridge, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandy Marx were absent; the motion was carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

A motion was made by Alderman Brad Core and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to approve the renewal applications for the 2026 Beer and Liquor Licenses, as listed below:

Renewal Applications

<u>Business Name</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Licenses Applied For</u>
Fezzos, Inc	Windford Pat Bordes	2439 Rice Capital Pkwy	2026 Class A Retail Beer 2026 Class A Retail Liquor
The Canteen of Crowley	Lee Richard	322 S. Eastern Ave	2026 Class A Retail Beer
Rochettos Pizzeria II	W. Pat Bordes	2445 Rice Capital Pkwy	2026 Class A Retail Beer 2026 Class A Retail Liquor
El Dorado Mexican Restaurant, LLC	Carols A. Martinez-Hernandez	2307 N. Parkerson Ave.	2026 Class A Retail Beer 2026 Class A Retail Liquor
Confit Catering Co., LLC	Benjamin Mitchell	422 N Parkerson Ave.	2026 Class A Retail Beer 2026 Class A Retail Liquor

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 recused; and Alderman Byran Wilridge, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandy Marx were absent; the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Brad Core and seconded by Alderman Jeff Dore to approve a resolution declaring expired fire department items as surplus. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council.

The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; Alderman Byron Wilridge, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandy Marx were absent; the motion was carried.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, DECLARING CERTAIN RETIRED FIRE DEPARTMENT TURNOUT GEAR AND OTHER PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT OWNED BY THE CITY TO BE SURPLUS PROPERTY; DECLARING SAID SURPLUS PROPERTY TO BE “JUNK” HAVING NO VALUE AND THEREFORE SUBJECT TO DESTRUCTION AND DISPOSAL.

WHEREAS, the National Fire Protection Association (hereinafter “NFPA”) promulgates various rules and best practices for fire departments throughout the United States

WHEREAS NFPA 1851 establishes best practice for the maintenance of Personal Protection Equipment (hereinafter “PPE”) including but not limited to turnout gear and sets a maximum service life of 10 years for PPE after which time its ability to protect firefighters from heat, chemicals, and smoke becomes compromised. As a result compliance with NFPA best practices including NFPA 1851 requires that PPE in excess of 10 years old from its date of manufacture be retired and taken out of service.

WHEREAS the City of Crowley (hereinafter the “City”) has over the years amassed a large volume of retired and or damages PPE which is kept in storage which the City has determined no longer serves and is no longer needed for any public purposes, and which accordingly, the City desires to declare “surplus property” which surplus property is more particularly described as follows:

Jackets - 17

Pants w/suspenders - 21

Gloves - 6 pair

Boots - 6 pair

Helmets - 2 old style

Masks - 6 old style

WHEREAS, because the PPE described above is beyond its service life it cannot be used by any NFPA compliant firefighting department and the use of same by any person or entity would compromise the safety of the wearer. As such the sale or donation of the PPE described above would subject the City to potential liability in the event a user was injured by a failure of the equipment.

WHEREAS, considering the foregoing, the PPE described above has no value and the City desires to authorize Mayor, Chad Monceaux, and the Board of Alderman of the City of Crowley to declare same “Junk” subject to destruction and disposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City now finding that the property listed hereinabove is no longer needed for nor serves any public purpose, that said property should be and is hereby declared to be surplus property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City now finding, for the reasons stated hereinabove, that the surplus property listed hereinabove has no value, that same be and it is hereby declared to be Junk and Mayor, Chad Monceaux, be and he is hereby authorized to destroy and/or otherwise dispose of said junk property as he deems fit in his sole discretion

THUS DONE AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting duly convened and noticed held on the 16th day of December, 2025, at Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMITTEE:

A motion was made by Alderman Jeff Dore and seconded by Alderman Brad Core to approve the application for Payment No. 13 to Prestige Construction Group, LLC for the Urban Park and Pavilion Project, in the amount of \$141,602.16. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; Alderman Vernon Martin opposed; Alderman Bryon Wilridge, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandy Marx were absent; the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Vernon Martin and seconded by Alderman Brad Core for the City to co-sponsor the Martin Luther King Event with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, at the MLK Building, by waiving the fee for use of the building on January 19, 2026. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; Alderman Bryon Wilridge, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandy Marx were absent; the motion was carried.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

A motion was made by Alderwoman Katie Chiasson and seconded by Alderman Vernon Martin to adopt a resolution authorizing the amendment of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement previously entered into between the City of Crowley and the Acadia Parish Tourist Commission dated March 15, 2021, to provide for the payment and/or reimbursement of the costs incurred by the Acadia Parish Tourist Commission for the annual audit of the Crowley hotel occupancy tax account up to but not to exceed \$1,000.00 annually. Mayor Monceaux opened the floor for discussion. There being no remarks from the Council. The motion having been submitted to a voice vote; Alderman Bryon Wilridge, Alderman Chuck Ashby and Alderwoman Sandy Marx were absent; the motion was carried.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CROWLEY, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO AMEND A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT PREVIOUSLY ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE CITY OF CROWLEY AND THE ACADIA PARISH CONVENTION & VISITORS COMMISSION (FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE ACADIA PARISH TOURIST COMMISSION) FOR THE COLLECTION OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAXES AND TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT SO AMENDED.

WHEREAS, the city of Crowley (hereinafter the “City”), pursuant to the authority granted by LSA-R.S. 47:338.222 and City Ordinance No. 1513 levied a Hotel Occupancy Tax and entered into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Acadia Parish Convention & Visitors Commission (formerly known as The Acadia Parish Tourist Commission and hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”) to act as the collector of said tax (hereinafter the “CEA”).

WHEREAS, by virtue of said statute and ordinance the City is specifically authorized to pay to the collector of the tax a reasonable collection fee, and such a fee is specified in the CEA.

WHEREAS, the Commission is subject to annual audits by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor’s office causing the Commission to pay fees and incur additional costs and expenses associated with the audit of the City’s Hotel Occupancy Tax collection account.

WHEREAS, the net collection fee remaining after deduction of these additional fees and costs associated with the audit of the City’s Hotel Occupancy Tax Collection Account is not sufficient to cover the Commission’s costs incurred in collecting the taxes, including but not limited to the costs of processing, banking fees, checks, and personnel time.

WHEREAS, the Commission has requested that the City, in addition to the collection fees stipulated in the current CEA, pay the annual cost of the Commissions legislative audit of the Crowley Hotel Occupancy Tax Account only, not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) annually and the City is amenable to paying those additional fees in light of the tax revenue collected on behalf of the City by the Commission.

WHEREAS, the City and the Commission desire to amend their existing cooperative endeavor agreement to reflect the City’s obligation to pay these fees.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, that the City of Crowley amend its existing cooperative endeavor agreement with the Acadia Parish Convention & Visitors Commission to obligate the City to pay the annual cost of the Commissions legislative audit of the Crowley Hotel Occupancy Tax Account only, not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) annually in addition to those collection fees stipulated in the existing cooperative endeavor agreement and to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement as so amended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayopr Chad Monceaux be and he is hereby authorized and empowered for and in the name of the City of Crowley to execute any and all documents reasonably necessary or advisable to carry out said purpose including but not limited to an Amended Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Acadia Parish Convention & Visitors Commission.

THUS DONE, SIGNED AND ADOPTED in regular session duly noticed and convened on the 16th day of December, 2025, in Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana at which a quorum was present and acting throughout.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion duly made by Alderman Brad Core and seconded by Alderman Jeff Dore the meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

CHAD MONCEAUX, MAYOR

ATTEST:

SHANTEL ALLEMAN, CITY CLERK

Presented rough draft to Mayor on _____ at _____ AM/PM.

Presented for Mayor signature on _____ at _____ AM/PM.

Mayor signed & returned to City Clerk on _____ at _____ AM/PM.

Publish in newspaper on _____