Introduced May 25, 2005, by Councilwoman Livaudais, seconded by Councilman Cromer

Item No. 05-05-2514

ORDINANCE NO. 3280

An ordinance ratifying and approving the employment of Foley & Judell, L. L. P., as special bond counsel, designating their fee and providing for the payment thereof in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of Six Million Two Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$6,260,000) of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2005, of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 14-A, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (the "Act"), and other constitutional and statutory authority, and an ordinance (Ordinance No. 3254) adopted on March 8, 2005, by the Slidell City Council (the "City Council"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), the Issuer has heretofore issued, sold, and delivered Six Million Two Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$6,260,000) of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2005, dated April 1, 2005, of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "Refunding Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council, after due deliberation, deemed it necessary to protect the public interest by the employment of special bond counsel in connection with the issuance, sale, and delivery of the Refunding Bonds for the reason that this type of legal work required the services of recognized bond attorneys;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Slidell City Council (the "City Council"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Slidell, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), that:

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SECTION 1. The employment of Foley & Judell, L. L. P., of New Orleans, Louisiana, as special bond counsel of the Issuer is hereby ratified and approved with respect to the performance of comprehensive legal and coordinate professional work in connection with the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of Six Million Two Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$6,260,000) of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2005, dated April 1, 2005, of the Issuer, for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto. Said bond counsel has prepared and submitted their opinion covering the legality of the issuance thereof.

SECTION 2. The fee of special bond counsel in connection with the issuance of the Refunding Bonds of the Issuer is hereby fixed at a sum not to exceed the maximum fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee guidelines for comprehensive legal and coordinate professional services in the issuance of the general obligation bonds, based on the amount of the Refunding Bonds actually issued, sold, delivered and paid for, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses. The fees herein described shall be payable directly to special bond counsel by the Director of Finance of the Issuer from the funds derived from the sale of said Refunding Bonds. Bond Counsel shall also assist in the preparation of an Official Statement containing detailed and comprehensive financial and statistical data required with respect to the sale of the Refunding Bonds and the costs of the preparation, printing and distribution of such official statement shall be paid from the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds. Said Official Statement was submitted to such nationally recognized bond rating services together with a request that an appropriate rating be assigned.

SECTION 3. A certified copy of this ordinance shall be submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his written approval of said employment and of the fees herein designated as required by law.

SECTION 4. This ordinance having been introduced at a duly convened meeting on May 3, 2005, in compliance with a duly published agenda item and notice of introduction hereof having been published once in the official journal of the Issuer at

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least seven (7) days prior to the date of adoption hereof and having been duly adopted by the City Council on May 25, 2005, pursuant to a duly published agenda item, in compliance with the provisions of the City Charter, this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval by the Mayor of the Issuer.

ADOPTED this 25th day of May, 2005.

Marti Livaudais

President of the Council Councilwoman-at-Large

Ben O. Morris Mayor

Shawn B. McManus, CMC Council Administrator

DELIVERED 2:50 pm.

5/25/05 to the Mayor

RECEIVED 2:30 pm.

6/2/05 from the Mayor