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RENT STUDY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1974

R. Lucier Rockwell C. W. Arnold John S. Parker

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1979

R. Lucier Rockwell Kenneth Rockwell Robert G. Mason Roger Dennis Charles B. Ingersoll

October 11, 1979

To: The Rent Study Committee
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
%Roger M. Dennis, Chairman

From: Sam Dyson, Former President, Councilman, & Member of Rent

Study Committee

Subject: Suggestions for Pent Determinations for 1980

Gentlemen:

The following information is offered for your consideration.

The recent appraisals of all properties in Alabama made by professionals using formulas and methods approved by the state have created an opportunity to simplify the rent calculating procedures and make them understandable with little difficulty.

To make these suggestions understandable, the terminology as used herein shall be interpreted as follows:

YOH CO: shall mean the professionals who appraised Baldwin County properties.

MARKET VALUE: shall mean the YOH CO appraisal values.

BOARD: shall mean the Baldwin County Board of Tax Equalization.

BOARD VALUE: shall mean the land and building values as reported to the Tax Assessor by the Board, and accepted by the Tax Assessor.

ASSESSOR: shall mean the Baldwin County Tax Assessor.

ASSESSED VALUE: shall mean the values as applied to properties - (either 10%, 15%, or 20% of Board Value as the cases may be).

TAX: shall mean the amount of tax in dollars and cents for the various parcels of land.

PARCEL: shall mean each individual parcel as designated and numbered by the YOH CO - (it should be noted that the system does not follow the usual pattern - thus a parcel includes all lots in a block in the city or all acres adjacent to each other outside the city unless separated by

PARCEL: roads or section lines.

LEASEHOLD: shall mean each individual leasehold.

RECOMMENDATIONS & SUGGESTIONS

It is recommended that the rent of each leasehold be calculated as a percentage of the Board Value for all leaseholds within the city of Fairhope. --- This can be done by using the Board Value of the parcel in which the leasehold is situated - and by reference to the 1978 rent formula, calculating each leasehold in relation to the total rent of the parcel (See Attached Example).

It is also recommended that the same method be used in calculating rents for country lands (lands outside the city of Fairhope) with a provision that credits be allowed on country land rents for current use in each case when the leasehold, or any part thereof, qualifies for current use and as recognized by the Assessor. (The intent of this provision shall be to allow a credit up to the difference between what the rent would be when calculated at the Board Value and the amount as calculated at the current use value of the leasehold).

It is further suggested that some consideration be given to allowing a credit for a part of the Homestead Exemption of taxes on improvements. In this connection, it should be especially recognized that the State Supreme Court made its recent decisions because it had not been shown that harm had been done to the citizens. We must, therefore, be especially careful that no action be taken nor that a position be held that might be construed as injurious to anyone.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Dyson

Pres. Gooden Estimates

Class II Leaseholds 49% of Yoh Values
Class III Leaseholds 51% of Yoh Values

GENERAL TAX AND RENT INFORMATION FOR BLOCK 4-DIVISION 3

The Yoh Company estimated value for the Block\$ 68,250. Board value as applied \$ 58,000.

Tax Liability for Block:

Class II portion 49% of 58,000. = 28,420 @20% = 5,680. \times .041 \$232.88 Class III portion 51% of 58,000. = 29,580 @10% = 2,960. \times .041 121.36

Current rent Charges:

Total rent charges for year 1979 are \$2,889.28 (see sheet 3)
This amounts to .0498% of Board value of land or approx five per cent.

According to this proposal rents should be fixed at a percentage of the Board Values for each of the several parcels for both Country and City Leaseholds and each leasehold rent should calculated as a percentage of the parcel in which it is located.

As en axemple if this block were charged at 5% of Board Value to total rent charge for all the lots will be \$2,900. and the rents for each lot will be as listed here; (Listed in same order as in Sheet 3; beginning at the upper left hand corner and continuing clockwise)

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Lots 7 & 8
             12.54% of 2,900.
                                  363.66
Pt.Lot 9-N
              3.25% of 2,900.
                                 94.25
Pt.Lot 9-S
            6.80% of 2.900.
                                  197.20
Pt.Lot 10&11 5.58% of 2,900.
                                  161.82
             5.37% of 2,900. =
Lot 12 +
                                 155.73
E. Pt. Lot 1 4.43% of 2,900. =
                                 128.47
Lot 1
            23.88% of 2,900. =
                                 692.52
            18.93% of 2,900. =
Lot 3
                                 548.97
            10.82% of 2,900.
Lot 4
                                 313.78
             4.03% of 2,900.
Lot 5
                                 116.87
Lot 6
             4.37% of 2,900.
                                 126.73
Total all
           100.00% of 2,900.
                               2,900.00
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At the present time this method would require only the raising or lowering of the base rate which is 5% to change rents.

It is suggested that at this time the rate be fixed at 6% which will produce an increase of approximately \$50,000 additional rent income to cover the increase of approx \$45,000. in the estimated tax liability on the lands.

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Yoh Co. Value (Est) 157.79 Ac.@$5,400. = 852,066.00 *
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       Board Value
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                                    3,506.60 = 92.43%
         Klumpp Portion 1979
         Copas Portion 1979
                                      287.02 = 7.57\%
                 1980 Rent
         Klumpp Portion 1980
                               93.43\% \cdot \text{of} \ \ 3.399.43 = 3.176.09
                Portion 1980 7.57%. of 3,399.43 =
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Sheet 5

FAIRHOPE SINGLE, TAX. CORPORATION.

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- 2. Members present: Mr. Robert Mason, Mr. Charles Ingersoll and Mr. Roger Dennis.
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ROGER M. DENNIS, Area Manager P. O. Box 552 Fairhope, AL 36532 Phone 205-928-1900

April 9, 1979

Executive Council Fairhope Single Tax Corporation 340 Fairhope Avenue Fairhope, Alabama 36532

Gentlemen:

The Rent Study Committee has looked into the situation regarding rents in the Bay Meadows Subdivision.

It is the recommendation of the Committee that the suggestion made in paragraph one of Mr. Lucier Rockwell's letter to the Committee dated March 9, 1979, be followed. A copy of that letter is enclosed.

Cordially,

Roger M. Dennis

Chairman

Rent Study Committee

RMD:fw Enclosure Rent Study Committee
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
340 Fairhope Avenue
Fairhope, Alabama 36532

Gentlemen:

In answer to the problems that seem to have presented themselves regarding rents in the Bay Meadows Subdivision, it is apparent from a close examination that the explanations are as follows:

- (1) Lot 1, Block 1, Bay Mead. rent of record \$136.64

 Lot 2, Block 1, Bay Mead. " " 147.44

 These rents should be reversed. On recalculation of these rents (since the office was not able to supply the original calculations) the figures showed this to be the case. This is apparently an error in transcribing the rents from the calculations to the report sheet.
- (2) Also regarding these two lots the street width: of extended streets was not included in the calculations, which is correct.
- (3) Lots 3 and 4, Block 1, have a frontage rate of .018 (Steeple Chase), while Lots 1 and 2, Block 3 have a frontage rate of .016 (Derby Lane), which accounts for the difference in rents of these lots which are back to back and of the same size. The frontage on Hall-Thompson Road is the same in both cases.
- (4) The difference in rent between Lot 3, Block 1 and Lot 4, Block 2 is accounted for by the difference in front footage of the two lots (312 ft. and 298.6 ft. respectively).
- (5) The customary and previously approved method of dealing with lots having frontage on cul-de-sacs, as Lots 2 and 3, Block 1, and Lots 3 and 4, Block 2 have, has been to, in effect, extend the street past the lots at the end, giving these lots the effect of having a street frontage on one side. Otherwise the rents would amount to nearly zero.
- (6) The difference in rents in the two corner lots at Hall-Thompson Road and Twin Beech Road is calculated correctly, as nearly as can be determined without having exact dimansions of the lots given on the plat provided. This is characteristic of unusually long, narrow lots adjoining on corners, using the Somers System, and must be dealt with separately, as is the problem of poor subdivision planning as evidenced by the two lots in Block 1, Bay Meadows Subdv. one with three sides on developed streets and another with the front and back entirely on two paved streets.

Rent Committee (cont'd)

It might be well to mention here that, speaking from experience, care must be taken that solutions to this problem not create more problems than already exist.

It would also seem that all members of the Rent Committee should thoroughly acquaint themselves with both the Somers System and the frontage rate determination program in actual practise, so that all the factors involved in the valuations are apparent to each member, making consideration of a problem much easier.

Sincerely,

R. Lucier Rockwell, Member

Rent Study Committee

Copies to:

Donald Gooden
Roger Dennis
Kenneth Rockwell
Charles Ingersoll
Robert Mason

Enclosures - Plats etc.

TO LESSEES OF FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

THE FEDERAL COURT ORDERED REAPPRAISALS OF ALL REAL ESTATE IN ALABAMA FOR TAX PURPOSES AND THE RESULTING NEW ASSESSMENTS FOR BALDWIN COUNTY WILL CAUSE A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN TAXES THE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION MUST PAY FOR ITS LANDS. IN ORDER TO PARTIALLY COMPENSATE FOR INCREASES IN STATE, COUNTY AND CITY TAXES ON LANDS AND LESSEES BUILDINGS RENT CHARGES HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR 1979 WITH INCREASES THAT WILL PARTIALLY COVER THE ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL TAXES.

RENT CHARGES FOR 1979 ARE CALCULATED ON THE ESTABLISHED RENT FORMULA USING 1978 RENTS AS A BASE-WITH INCREASES AND ADJUSTMENTS FIGURED ON A SMALL PORTION OF THE PERCENTAGE INCREASES IN TAXES ON LAND ONLY. NO INCREASES HAVE BEEN MADE FOR ESTIMATED INCREASES IN TAXES ON LESSEES BUILDINGS AND PERSONAL PROPERTIES.

ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ADDED TO THE 1978 BASES SHOULD RANGE FROM 17.3% TO 138.8% ACCORDING TO A SCHEDULE USING*"THE YOH COMPANY" LAND VALUATIONS. INCREASES ARE, HOWEVER, LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM ADDITION OF 25% OVER 1978 CHARGES ON ANY INDIVIDUAL LEASEHOLD (EXCEPT FOR CHANGES DUE TO ST. IMPROVEMENTS & CORRECTIONS OF ERRORS).

TOTAL RENT INCREASES FOR 1979 WILL NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL LAND TAX INCREASE WHICH THE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION MAY HAVE TO PAY. RENT INCREASES ARE QUITE MODERATE IN VIEW OF THE RISE IN FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION ESTIMATED LAND TAXES DUE FOR 1979. TAXES ON COLONY LAND IN THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE WILL INCREASE BY 346.8% AND ON LAND OUTSIDE THE CITY BY 2077.8%.

IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT NO GENERAL "ACROSS THE BOARD" RENT INCREASES HAVE BEEN MADE SINCE 1975 WHILE THE U. S. DEPT. OF LABOR COST OF LIVING INDEX HAS RISEN BY 29.7% IN THE SAME PERIOD. (SEE FIGURES BELOW.)

IT IS A GENERALLY KNOWN FACT THAT PRICES OF PRIVATELY OWNED LANDS HAVE "SKY-ROCKETED" AROUND FAIRHOPE WHILE FSTC RENTS HAVE BEEN HELD AT MODEST LEVELS IN ORDER NOT TO CREATE HARDSHIPS ON ANY OF THE LESSEES.

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RISE IN COSTS FOR HOME SITES AND COMMERCIAL BUILDING LOCATIONS IN AND AROUND FAIRHOPE NOR IS IT RESPONSIBLE IN ANY WAY FOR THE HIGH RATE OF INFLATION WHICH THREATENS THE VERY LIFE OF OUR DEMOCRACY BUT FSTC DOES IN FACT OFFER A PLAN OF TAXATION TO DISCOURAGE BOTH LAND SPECULATION AND INFLATION.

THE DECISION BY FSTC TO MAKE NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS IN 1979 RENT CHARGES WAS MOTIVATED BY NECESSITY IN ORDER TO PROCURE ADDITIONAL FUNDS IN AMOUNTS APPROXI-MATELY EQUIVALENT TO THE PROJECTED ADDITIONAL TAXES ON LANDS.

RENT STATEMENTS MAILED TO THE VARIOUS LESSEES SHOW THE TOTAL AMOUNTS DUE ON EACH LEASEHOLD FOR 1979 AS WELL AS AMOUNTS DUE FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THE YEAR.

*The Yoh Company is the firm of professional appraisers employed by the County to reappraise all properties in compliance with a Federal Court Order.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR COST OF LIVING INDEX Infla

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1974	Increase	147.7	11.0	
1975	96.7%	₹ 161.2	9.1	\
1976		170.5	5.8	4 year
1977		181.5	6.5	Increase
1978		196.7	8.3	/ 29.7%
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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

November 2, 1978

Council met in regular session with Pres. Dyson presiding; all present. Guests were Richard C. Lacey, attorney representing lessees Sully, Pope and Butgeriet; lessee G. B. Klumpp and Arthur Rigas of Ponder Engineering representing Mr. Klumpp.

Minutes of regular meeting of October 5 and special meetings of Oct. 4, 21 and 25 were approved. Minutes and actions of Executive Committee meeting of October 25 were approved.

Treasurer's Report for September and October were accepted and ordered placed on file.

Council discussed proposals regarding the Sully and Pope and Butgerflet leaseholds with their representive Attorney Lacey and he was excused. Subdivision of the Klumpp leasehold was discussed with Mr. Klumpp and his Engineer Mr. Rigas and they were excused.

Bills were allowed as follows:

E. S. Courier, pub. min \$	76.46
John A. Robertson, Bond	72.00
Jani-Care, Inc., off. cleaning	60.00
Cash, off. sund	108.01

Lessees transfers were approved, subject to the rules, as follows:

Elsie G. Lowell, Estate to Charles D. McCully & Patricia J. McCully, jointly, Lots 11 & 12, Blk. 30, Div. 2 and assent to mortgage to 1st Sou. Fed. Savings & Loan Assoc.

Jack B. Herrick & Beulah J. Herrick to Howard R. Thomas & Barbara J. Thomas, jointly, Lot 3, Blk. 10, Div. 2 and assumption of B.C.S.L. mortgage.

Robert Joseph Potter to Fred L. Watkins, Sr. St of SW4 of SW4 except S. 297' of W 297', Sec. 11-6-2.

Transfer from Sybil Tobias to Thomas D. Hamilton and Donna Marie Hamilton, jointly, Lot 8, Blk. 14, Div. 2 was denied.

Assent to mortgage was approved on Lot 17 & W9' of Lot 18, B1k. 45, Div. 4 to Gene B. Whiting.

Lease assignment to 1st Nat'l. Bank of Baldwin County on pt Lots 1, 2 & 3, Blk. 17, Div. 2 was reported.

Council voted to persue annexation of the land E of City limits to Troyer Road between F'hope Ave. & Nichols Ave. and to request it to be zoned B-2.

Preliminary approval of plat of Blueberry Orchard, Unit Two in W_2 NW $_4$ & W_2 of SE $_4$, Sec. 14-6-2 was given subject to obtaining written agreement with lessee regarding road rights-of-way.

1979 rent charges were discussed and report from Rent Study Committee received.

Council approved correction of descriptions of Lots 3 & 4, Blk. 47-E,

Mag. Bch. Addn.

Council determined that no window advertising would be allowed in the office in the future.

New Lease Application Affidavit form was approved.

Payment of expenses connected with appraisials was authorized.

Repairs to Fairhope Single Tax Corporation parking driveway was authorized.

Communications were read from E. D. Moyd; Crittenden Enterprises, Inc. and the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Adjourned.

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

December 7, 1978

Council met in regular session with Pres. Dyson presiding: all present. Guests were Mrs. William C. Lucey, Mrs. John S. Parker, Mrs. Sam Dyson, Mrs. Richard Spater, Mrs. Harriett Otteson, Barbara Zwayer, Sam L. Box, Mrs. Cleveland Woodward, Phil Porter Dyson, Mrs. Phil P. Dyson, Robert Mason and Mrs. Roger Dennis.

Guests were representing themselves and various Garden Clubs in the matter of the use of Knoll Park for display and sales boothes. Letters were read from the Eastern Shore Art Association, Inc., The Wisteria Garden Club and the Fairhope Garden Club and several of the guests made personal statements and then they were excused.

Council later discussed the matter and instructed the Secretary to inform the City of Fairhope that the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation Council considers the proposed use of the Park to be in conflict with the Park Deed and therefore does not approve the request.

Minutes of regular meeting of Nov. 2 and special meeting of Nov. 22 were approved.

Minutes and actions of the Executive Committee Meetings of Nov. 8; Nov. 17 and Dec. 6 were approved.

Treasurer's Report for Nov. was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Bills were allowed as follows:

Waller Bros. off supp\$	19.19
The Independent, adv	15.75
Garner & Klumpp, floral	15.60
Office Sund	103.00

Jani-Care, Inc., cleaning	60.00
Safeguard, statements	65.91
Shepherd Prtg, supp	10.57
Xerox, supp	152.16
E. S. Courier, adv	337.64
DeWoody, copies	22.88
Print Shop, envelopes	50.91
Richard Dunning, CPA	955.46
Phil P. Dyson, appraisals	280.00
Craig T. Sheldon, trip for Corp	45.00

Lessees transfer was approved, subject to the rules as follows:

Crittenden Enterprises, Inc. to Richard A. Carrier & Mary Susan C. Carrier, Lot 4, Bay Meadows East, jointly, and VA assent to mortgage to Real Estate Financing.

Lease assignments to 1st Nat'1 Bank of Bald. County were reported as follows: (1) Lot 1-A, Blk. 3, Golf Cse. (2) Lots 1 & 3, Ingleside Unit 3 and (3) NW4 NE4, Sec. 14-6-2.

The report of the Rent Committee as presented to the Council on Nov. 2, 1978 was reviewed as well as additional information gathered through property examinations and appraisals. A motion was then made, seconded and approved adopting a schedule of rents for 1979 using 1978 rent figures as a base and adding charges calculated according to a formula presented using the Yoh Company land values with a provision that the resulting increases for 1979 shall not exceed 25% for any leasehold: subject also to corrections for errors in existing rents and adjustments for street improvements and physical changes in leaseholds.

Assistant Secretary Godard was authorized to pay extra help as needed to help with assessments and other year end duties.

President Dyson was authorized to make changes in office opening & closing hours to improve efficiency in office operation.

By action of the Council, auto taxes will be credited to the rental account only beginning January 1, 1979.

Resolution adopted August 16, 1976 regarding improvements in subdivisions was rescinded.

The regular appropriation to Education Committee for Education activities was approved.

Finance Committee report was read and approved including Compensation for office personnel beginning January 1979.

Council approved payment for real estate appraisals at current rate.

Regular contributions to the following were approved: Henry George Schools of California; Henry George Institute: Henry George Foundation of America and Schalkenbach Foundation.

Adjourned.

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

Special Meeting

December 27, 1978

Council met in Special Session at 12:10 p.m. President Dyson presided, with Councilmen Parker, Nichols, Brown and Secretary Gooden present.

Members Les Boone and E. B. Gwin were also present.

Transfer from Earl Forsman, Katherine Forsman and Dan A. Forsman to Betty Rejczyk, approved by the Executive Council, November 14, 1977, on Lot 15, Block 2, Golf Course Subdivision, was reported cancelled.

Transfer from Lionel S. Simpson and Mary Ann Simpson to Mary Ann Simpson with a life estate to Dorothy H. Oliver, approved by the Executive Council September 20, 1976, on N_2^1 of Lot 4 and all of Lot 5, Block 6, Division 3, was reported cancelled.

Bills were allowed as follows:

Marion E. Wynne Jr legal service	\$105.00
The Print Shop - receipt books	122.20
R. L. Polk - city directory	
IBM - Service office machines	37.17
Sam Dyson - expenses	174.35

Council authorized reimbursement to Cemetery Trust Fund for corporation expenses paid in error.

Severance pay was authorized.

Letter clarifying rent adjustments approved.

Adjourned.

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ROGER M. DENNIS, Area Manager P. O. Box 552 Fairhope, AL 36532 Phone 205-928-9200



October 19, 1978

Executive Council Fairhope Single Tax Colony 340 Fairhope Avenue Fairhope, AL 36532

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing minutes from the Rent Study Committee meetings held on July 19, August 16 and October 16, 1978.

Cordially,

Roger/M. Dennis

Chairman

Rent Study Committee

RMD: fw Enclosures

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION RENT STUDY COMMITTEE

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Mr. Robert G. Mason Mr. Kenneth Rockwell Mr. R. Lucier Rockwell

Mr. Gale W. Rowe

and Mr. Sam Dyson, Exofficio

- 3. Mr. Roger Dennis was elected Chairman and Mr. Gale Rowe was elected Secretary.
- 4. A general discussion on the reappraisal activity as applied to corporation holdings was held. No conclusions or decisions were reached.
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Gale W. Rowe

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- 3. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, that a recommendation be made to the Executive Council of the Single Tax Colony that the multiplier be increased for the 1979 rent computation. It was suggested that the multiplier be set at 15.

FURTHER RESOLVED, It is recommended that any evidence of error discovered in individual rents be continuously reported to the Rent Study Committee for review and correction.

4. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Gale Rowe Secretary

F S T C RENT STUDY 1969

THIS FOLDER CONTAINS A NUMBER OF DATA SHEETS ON SEPARATE PROPERTIES IN THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY OF FAIRHOPE.

MOST OF THE RENTAL FIGURES HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED.OTHERS HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED AND SECURED FROM USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCES.

INSURNACE COSTS HAVE BEEN CALCULATED FROM RATES FURNISHED BY THE HUFFMAN ROBERTSON AGENCY.

THE VALUES OF IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED BY THIS REPORTER WHO HAS HAD MANY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AS A BUILDING COST ESTIMATOR AND AS A PROPERTY APPRAISER FOR VARIOUS LENDING AGENCIES. SOME OF THE VALUES ARE THE EXACT CONTRACT COSTS OF THE PROPERTIES.

THE DEPRECIATION FIGURE INCLUDES OBSOLESCENCE. THIS ESTIMATOR CAN PRESENT INFORMATION TO SUPPORT THE VALIDITY OF THE FOUR PERCENT ALLOWANCE. IT IS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST THAT THE OLDER IMPROVEMENTS ARE GENERALLY LOW INCOME PRODUCERS OR EVEN "LOSERS".

DATES OF CONSTRUCTION AND OF MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

THESE FIGURES HAVE BEEN COMPILED WITHOUT THE AID OF A CALCULATOR AND MAY CONTAIN CERTAIN ERRORS. SUCH ERRORS USUALLY COMPENSATE FOR EACH OTHER IN COMPILATIONS OF THIS KIND.

KEY TO NUMBERING SYSTEM: ZERO IS ASSUMED TO BE THE CENTER OF THE INTERSECTION OF FAIRHOPE AVENUE AND SECTION STREETS, SHEETS ARE MARKED NUMERICALLY BEGINNING AT THE ZERO POINT AND RUNNING NORTH ON SECTION-SOUTH ON SECTION-WEST ON FAIRHOPE AVE. AND EAST ON FAIRHOPE AVENUE. MISCELLANEOUS SHEETS ARE MARKED AS SUCH. (EXAMPLE 3-W IS LOCATED ON FAIRHOPE AVENUE WEST OF SECTION STREET)

SINGLE TAX CORPORATION RENT CHARGES ARE NOT INCLUDED IN COSTS OF OF OPERATIONS OF PROPERTIES.

PART OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS "CONFIDENTIAL" AND . MUST NOT BE DIVULGED.

No.	Property	Estimated Value	Annual Rental	Cost of Operation	Excess (Deficit)	Rent Charge
1-N	Bedsoles & East Shore Travel & Jewelers		17,100.00	16,380.41	719.59	
3-N	Jørdan Clinic	64,600.00	8,400.00	7,673.29	726.71	
5-N	Dr. Frederick	6,336.00	420.00	708.21	(288.28)	
7-N	Motor Parts-Barber- Printer Sales	28,424.00	3,300.00	3,556.55	(256.55)	
9-N	Dr. Harrell Dentist	11,352.00	1,500.00	1,349.52	150.48	
11-N	John Duck Atty (Mag. Av)		1,500,00	1,384.06	115.94	
13-N 2-N	Former Warley Realty	27,000.00	2,040.00	3,041.22	(1,001.22)	
2-N 4-N	Superior Hardware Bill Steber Motor	48,830.00	3,000.00	5,849.29	(2,849.29)	
4-N	Klumpp's	95,158.40	24,000.00	11,593.95	12,406.05	
6-N	Western Auto &Pool Room- Pitman	56,720.00	7,200.00	6,532.84	667.16	
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		ERTIES ON S	OUTH SECTION	N STREET		
1 - S	Music Store-T V Shop Jewler- Wm.Cowan Bld.	25,384.00	3,000.00*	3,245.18	(245.18)*	·. C
3 - S	Greers Super Mkt. (Former Baldwin)	60,000.00	7,200.00	7,228.80	(28.80)	
5 - S	Newman Industries Poser Bldg. FSTQ	45,600.00	6,000.00	5,681.26	318.74	
2-8	Odom's Shoes	10,944.00	1,680.00	1,392.00	287.64	
4-8	Sportsman s-Davis			·		
	Fashion-Health Clinic	55,632.00	5,880.00	7,124.31	(1,244.31)	
6 - S	A B C Store	22,400.00	3,000.00	2,922.00	78.00	
8 - S	Children's House and Vorel	14,100.00	1,680.00	1,828.72	(148.72)	•
10 - S	Barber Shep-Harrison	4,000.00	600.00	493.12	106.88	
12 - S	Garden Center	19,964.00	2,400.00	2,570.40	(170.40)	
	PROP:	ERTIES WEST	OF SECTION	ON FATEHOP	E AV.	
1-W	First National Bank	94,837.50	14,280.00	10,937.49		
3-W	Fairhope Hardware	45,216.00	4,320.00	5,969.28	(1,649.28)	
5-W	Courter Office (New)	24,539.60	2,700.00	3,000.25	(300.25)	
7-W	Hunter's News Barber Beauty Shop Etc.	27,223.00	13,480.00	3,178.01	301.90	
9-W	Johns Bargain House	56,952.00	7,200.00*	6,877.02	3 22.98*	
2-W	Fairhope Pharmacy	29,376.00	7,200.00	3,968.55	3,231.4"	
4-W	First Finance Old Bank	24,232.00	1,920.00	3,072.66	(1,152.66)	,
6-W	Ritz Jewelrs	21,472.00	1,500.00*	2,733.94	1,233.94)*	:
8-W	Moyer's Drug Store	9,728.00 .	Nil	1,091.52	(1,091.52)	
10-W	Fairhope Recapping	9,580.00	1,200.00	1,333.18	(133.18)	

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PROPERTIES ON FAIRHOPE AVE.EAST OF SECTION

1-E	Fuel Oil Supply	11,940.00	1,080.00	1,293.70	(113.70)
2-E	Fairhope Motor Co. Berglin Realty(Graham)	13,392.00	660.00	1,566.92	(906.92)
Misc.	Vansen House North Bancroft. St.	8,190.00	Nil	885.33	(885.33)
Misc.	Sam Dyson Lot.North Bancroft St.	450.00	Nil	57.00	(57.00)
Misc.	Lucassen's Store Mershon'& Morphy	5,600.00	2,100.00*	746.42	1,353.58

COUNTRY LAND PROPERTIES

Misc. Phil Porter Dyson
4 and May Moss Parker

This miscellaneous sheet is included to show income producing value of forty acres of best quality Baldwin County Farm Land to be \$333.34 per acre. Based on this example farm lands should be valued at not over \$333.34 per acre with Rent charges calculated accordingly, after allowing for clearing and land preparation, fence etc.

COMMENTS ON EXHIBIT A

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Excess of Income over costs of ownership- Rent not considered 2 5, 3 6 3.6 4 *

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Excess 2 5, 3 6 3.6 4

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1 2,8 4 1.0 5 • Overage

1 2,4 0 6.0 5 -Bill Steber.

4 3 5.00* Net Overage

Of the Thirty Four individual properties considered Sixteen show an excess of rental over and above the costs of ownership. (FSTC Rent Charges not included not included in costs) Eighteen properties show a deficit or a cost of ownership greater than the rental collected. (F S T C Rent Charges again not included)

If the excess of income above the costs of ownership which was received by the owners of the Bill Steber Chevrolet Co. should be deducted from the income figures the resulting amount is \$435.00 indicating that the "Rent Charges" are approximately correct as currently fixed.

Rental income appears to decline rapidly in relation to the distance from the "zero point" in all directions

Land outside a limited perimeter from the "zero point" seems to have approximately the same value for business uses except where unusual conditions exist.

DeLamare St. and Magnolia Avenue are popular with certain types of businesses.

South Section Street may be replacing Fairhope Avenue Bancroft Street has not attracted in importance. business interest.

The one example of farm land income and expenses of ownership indicates that rent charges for "country lands" are below the income producing values and below rentals paid for comparable lands in the area.

There is evidence that certain lessees are receiving greater monetary returns for the uses of some of the business sites. Upon more careful examination there is equally as much evidence that these lessees have made better uses of the leased lands and have exerted more personal effort in order to bring this about. What at first may appear to be charges for land uses is in reality what Henry George describes as wages of superintendence"and "interest".

Estimated values of improvements is in line generally with recently reported selling prices.

Fairhope, Alabama June 4, 1970

Executive Council
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

From time to time this committee has made reports of progress in the various activities undertaken, beginning with the traffic and pedestrian survey and through the stages of development of the material gathered and the programming of the material for the computer to determine the relative frontage values of the different areas of the Colony lands, commercial, residential and country, according to the data taken and based on the fundamental principle of the single tax that land value is created by the presence and activity of people and taking this as a measure of such presence and activity, along with the more obvious physical advantages and disadvantages.

At this time it does not seem practical to go into the details of these procedures which will be incorporated in a full and detailed report at a later date.

In November, 1969 a calculation of all rents on the basis of the above determinations was authorized and subsequently expenditures necessary were also authorized.

At the present time all of the country leaseholds have been calculated and about 60 blocks of the commercial and residential areas of the city. Eight of these last have been computerized and everything is now in order to go ahead with computerized calculations of the remaining. Currently, investigations are under way to find the most practical arrangement for this work.

It is apparent that the cost per block will be greatly reduced and uniformity and ease of calculation greatly increased by this method which involves the use of two programs which have been completed since the last report.

The country rents and commercially zoned areas in the city, which both show greater deviations from the present rents than the residential areas according to the determinations of this committee, are now at the stage where your consideration for action for the second half years rent are in order.

Respectfully submitted,

RENT STUDY COMMITTEE

R. Lucier Rockwell, Chairman pro hac vice

Sam Dyson

C. W. Arnold

RLR/rer

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION - RENT STUDY - 1969 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A The Single Tax Corporation should continue its policy of making land available to the worker or the entrepreneur at a rental charge that he can afford to pay.
- Since we alone can not win the battle against inflation every effort should be made to eliminate inflationary influences in fixing land use charges. This in itself could do more to advance the single tax idea than anything else we might do.
- C Land use charges in the immediate locality of the "zero point" in schedule "A" should be reviewed and inequities in the immediate central business area should be corrected. This should be done by use of the "program rent" determined by the traffic count in conjunction with schedule "A".
- D Careful consideration should be given current charges for other lands within the city boundaries. There is no specific information up to this time to support a general increase.
- E Land use charges for "country lands" and sites in the vicinity of greeno road should be ajusted upward gradually. It seems evident that general increases based on income productivity are in order and are overdue in this area of F.S.T.C.land holdings. A basis of from \$12.50 to \$20.00 per acre income, according to the quality or location of the land appears to be the proper criterion.
- F Arbitrary decisions based on personal opinions and unproven or untested ideas should be avoided.
- G We should expand our activities in the field of "public relations".
- H A more agressive "education program" should be persued.
- I All members and friends of the Corporation should maintain an optimistic and determined attitude about the future of the organization and about the theory it expouses.
- It is amazing that in spite of all the taxes that were not even heard of in Henry George's day, such as the devastating income tax, the estate tax, the gift tax, the luxury taxes, surtaxes and hundreds of others, upon examination of the theory it is evident that the idea is sound to-day as it was in the 1880's and that if applied it might solve most of the problems of the day.
- Action should be taken to prevent continuation of the undercharging for "country land" uses. A resolution similar to the following should be adopted. Be it resolved that subdivisions of or partial transfers of country lands shall be approved only upon the specific understanding and agreement that land use charges for the entire leasehold to be divided shall be assessed at the same rates as other residential areas owned by the Single Tax Corporation.

FSTC RENT STUDY 1969

INFERENCES FROM OBSERVATIONS OF EXHIBITS "A" and "B"

- l, There is evidence that the Fairhope Single Tax Corporations affairs have been conducted efficiently and fairly and that its general policies have been more effective than may have been presumed.
- 2, The charges made for uses of business and commercial sites are generally as they should and are approximately at the proper level. There are certain inequities in the charges for business sites and ajustments should be made to correct the situation. These ajustments might include some recuctions in special cases.
- 3, Exhibit "A" clearly indicates that the advantages and the income productivity of sites in the business area studied are quite limited and not as great as generally assumed.
- 4, The zoning regulations and other "artificial" restrictions are an important factor in determining the income productivity of all properties.
- 5, Licenses, business taxes, income taxes and other fees, over which the Single Tax Corporation has no control, appear to exert downward pressure on income productivity of business property improvements.
- 6, Certain temporary industrial activity in the community is exerting an unusual temporary influence on the productivity of certain sites. An example is the use of the Poser building on south section street. A means should be found to ajust for this temporary situation.
- 7 The study indicates that the general inflationary trend has not been as great in this community as elsewhere. This may be due to the Single Tax Corporation's influence.
- 8, There is substantial indication from this and other available information that the prices paid for improvements on business lands are not out of line with the individual asset or replacement values of the properties bought and sold.
- 9, There is a rapid decline in productivity which is inverse to the distance from the "zero point". It is also noticable that after a certain lower level is reached there is a halt in the decline and all lands outside a small circle appear to be of approximately the same worth to the users.
- 10, Exhibit "B"indicates that charges for land use in the area of greeno road and for "country lands" is far below the point of income productivity. This appears to be true even when discounting the inflated values and basing calculations on the rental values established by rentals paid for other farm lands.

FSTC RENT STUDY 1969

Some vital information regarding farm and country land sites in Baldwin County, Alabama.

Within the past four years 58 Acres of good farm land near Loxley, Alabama $1\frac{1}{2}$ Mi north of Loxley on the Bay Minetze Road was leased for one year for farm crop use at \$900.00 for the calendar year. This is the equavalent of a per acre rental of..\$15.51

Home Investment Corporation gave a farm use one year lease on the 70 Acres on Hall Thompson Road at a price of \$600.00 for the year. This was not for the full year as the deal was not made until spring and terminated on Dec. 31 of the same year. This equals a per acre rental of (48.Acres)..... 12.50 cultivated for several years and was infested with Bermuda. Only approximately 48 acres of this land was leased to the farmer tenant.

Lessees of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation have been known to put FSTC lands in the "Soil Bank" or hold out of use and have been paid the equivalent of a per acre rnetal of 9.00 % Such land could be used as pasture even though the acreage could not be used for row crops.

Miscellaneous sheet No. 4 is a confirmed case of rental for "Fee Title" rental of farm land at a pera acre price of...... 20.00 (This agreement carries an implied agreement to renew for additional years but only if the land continues to be let out to other than the owners.

In section 21-T \$ S- R 2 E (within 4 miles of the dity of Fairhope) best cuality farm land is being sold at \$600.00 per acre where the entire acreage is either usable for row crops or has buildings and homesite improvements standing.

At a public auction sale two years ago (Elzie Hankins) a total of over600 acres was sold at an average price per acre of \$487.50 This was in the Rozinton area where there was absolutely no commercial or "Urban" growth influence.

Recently a "fee title" site on greeno raod was negiciated for at a proce Of \$60,000.00 this transaction reached the final stages and then the buyer withdrew the offer for unknown reasons. The acreage involved was approximately two acres.

within the past few years it has been indicated that the "fee title" land on fairhope avenue near greeno road has been far more productive than land within the perimeter of the zero point established in Exhibit A of this study.

The opinion of this reporter (which is supported by statements from the business men involved) is that the Automotive, Construction, Industrial, Health, Hospital and Rest Home Businesses-and related lines are seeking locations outside the general business area.

There is evidence that the current productivity of land ourside the business area (and particularly on the greeno road) is being held down by the present zoning restrictions.

could righly cause a drop in the land closer in to the dity.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

June 18,1970

In recent years it has become increasingly evident that revisions in land use charges should be made periodically in order to equitably reflect the changes in values of the various locations. This is particularly true in those instances where increasing benefits to lessees have been caused primarilly by growth in population within the area and along with the growth there have been changes in pedestrian and vehicle traffic patterns due to street developments as well as expansions in residential and commercial building.

In an effort to fairly evaluate the effects of these changes on "location valuation" extensive studies of the various factors were summarily made and the results of the studies have been used as a "yard stick" for establishing land use charges, or rental charges, to be assessed against the various leaseholds.

In the opinion of the executive council many of the ajustments in rental charges are long overdue but it is intended to adopt the new schedule of rental charges in a manner favorable to the various lessees by spreading the increases in charges over an extended period. A percentage of the differential between the "old" and the "new" rental charges will be assessed periodically until the various new rental charges shall have been attained. The first increment of the proposed increase in rental charges shall be an amount equal to ten percent of the differential, calculated in accordance with the above formula, which sum shall be added to (or deducted from) rental charges as heretofore established for all leaseholds; said new charges to be in effect beginning July 1st. 1970.

Lessees should also recognize that subsequent changes in leasehold rental values may bring about other ajustments in rental charges in the interim. If in the opinion of the executive council additional changes or corrections should be deemed proper then such changes may be made even though such changes might deviate from the proposed schedule.

Su sonneil action June 18, 1970 le A. Gastin, SeeI move approval of the recommendations of the rent study committee and assessment of land use charges for the second half of 1970 on all leaseholds in accordance with the said recommendations as follows;

Rents, or land use charges, for the second half of 1970 shall be an amount equal to the charges heretofore established plus 10% of the difference between the established charges and the amounts as projected in the new schedule prepared by the rent study committee.

Fairhope, Alabama July 26, 1971

To Executive Council
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

Your Rent Study Committee, after considerable study and deliberation has formulated the following recommendations which were agreed upon at its last meeting, July 25, as follows:

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RENT STUDY COMMITTEE

Claude W. armold

Received and reported to the connect ang. 5, 1971.

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ADMINISTERING

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX COLONY

ESTABLISHED IN 1895 340 FAIRHOPE AVE. FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA 36532 July 1, 1970

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This action does not preclude further studies and revisions or adjustments in the interim.

The schedyle for your individual leaseholds appears on the enclosed statement.

approved by the Executive Council July 2, 1970. Geston, secretary.

Fairhope, Alabama June 4, 1970

Executive Council Fairhope Single Tax Corporation Fairhope, Alabama

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RENT STUDY COMMITTEE

R. Lucier Rockfell Chairman pro hac vice

RLR/rer

Attachment: (To accompany letter of 7-26-71 to the Executive Council)

(References are to Paragraph numbers of letter)

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* Notes: The committee recognizes that it is a "study" group and that it does not propose to dictate rent ploicy nor to usurp the duties of the Executive Council.

Jam Dyson

Fairhope, Alabama July 26, 1971

To Executive Council Fairhope Single Tax Corporation Fairhope, Alabama

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RENT STUDY COMMITTEE

Received and reported to the Conneil Aug. 5, 1971. C. a. Gartone, See.

Claude W. arnold

Executive Council
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

Your Rent Study Committee met and considered the 1971 transfers and partial transfers of lands having rent allowances for physical defects on them.

Leaseholds considered were:

Battey to Summer and Williams	Sec. 11 1-31 H-1
Buffington to Wadsworth	Sec. 22
Britain to Fechtler	Sec. 15 5-4
Fleming to Nielson	Sec. 15/1-1
Fleming to Godwin and Hardy	Sec. 16
Foster to Baugh	Sec. 14
Gunnison to Robison	Sec. 22
Todd to Sully	Sec. 16 7-4

Due to progress in development methods, uses of land, general drainage and the fact that many of the so-called defects are now being listed as salable assets by the sellers of improvements on these lands, the committee recommends that all allowances on rent for physical defects be removed from these leaseholds: Battey, Williams, Buffington, Wadsworth, Fechtler, Nielson, Fleming, Godwin, Hardy, Baugh, and Robison. Also recommended is that an overall 20% defect be allowed on the Summer leasehold and a 5% overall defect be allowed on the Sully leasehold.

The committee also feels that each of these defects should be periodically revued.

Respectfully submitted,

Rent Study Committee

RSC/rer

ADMINISTERING

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX COLONY

ESTABLISHED 1895 336-340 FAIRHOPE AVE. FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA 36532

October 19, 1972

Executive Council Fairhope Single Tax Corporation 336 Fairhope Ave. Fairhope, Alabama 36532

Gentlemen:

Your Rent Study Committee has met, considered a number of questions relating to the rent structure and respectfully submit the following recommendations:

1. That the defect allowed on the following recently transferred leaseholds be no longer allowed:

Lee Parker W½ NW¼ NE¼ SE¼
W. A. Nunnery W½ SW¼ NE¼ SE¼
Bobby R. Owens E½ SW¼ NE¾ SE¼
James B. Harris E½ NW¼ NE¾ SE¼
S. J. Broadwater 5 acres, Section 10 (Rezner)

- 2. That the defect allowed on the Joseph Potter leasehold be continued.
- 3. That the rental charge on our lands for 1973 be set at the 1972 amount plus two (2) additional imcrements of 10% each of the difference between the 1969 rent charge and the projected rent charge according to the schedule. (This will bring the total increase in rent since 1969 to one half (½) of the total projected increase.)
- 4. That in 1973 the Rent Study Committee be authorized to make additional studies, traffic surveys, etc. as needed to determine any adjustments that might appear to be in order at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

Report accepted and recommendations	Rent Study Committee
Report accepted and recommendations adopted by motion Oct, 19, 1972. Ruth E. Kackwell, Sec.	
Kuth E. Kackwell, Sec.	

Rent Study Committee Fairhope Single Tax Corporation December 2, 1973

The Fairhope Single Tax Corporation Rent Study Committee met at the Colony office at 3:00 P. M., Sunday, December 2 with Lucier Rockwell, Claude Arnold and ex officio member Ruth Rockwell present; absent John Parker.

Committee moved to the various locations in question to view the situations with the following being recorded:

- 1. Morphy Ave, Church to Summit is now paved, sewer, curb, gutter, sidewalk, water, gas and electricity available.
- 2. Summit St. North from Morphy to N/S Blk 15, Div. 1 is paved street frontage for Blk 15.
- 3. Chestnut St. is now an open ungraded street with sewer and electricity available for 1974.
- 4. Laraway Lane and Cain Lane are open, ungraded streets, sewer and electricity vailable for 74 and gas part way, on Laraway Ln.
- 5. New commercial zoning effective in SE¼ SE¼ NE¼, Sec 17, Div 4; on Lot 2, Schneider Subdv.; on SE¼ NW¼ SW¼, Sec 16 and NW¼ SW¼, Sec 16.
- 6. Lawrence Road North from Gayfer Ext. is graded road, electionly, to 400 ft. North of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec 11; and South from Hiway 104 for 1525 ft.
- 7. Blueberry Lane in Sec. 11 open, unpaved, ungraded road; electricity only, 1950 ft.
 - 8. Friends Cemetery Road to continue as in past.
- 9. Road along South side of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 14, graded, water and electricity available.
- 10.Committee members are to consider possibilities of methods of handling values due to parking lots, cul de sac's and dead end streets not now provided for by the program or Somers system.

Adjourned 5:30 P. M.

Ruth Rockwell, Secretary pro tempore

cc: Lucier Rockwell
C. W. Arnold
John Parker
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ADMINISTERING

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July 19, 1976

COUNCILMEN:
MARVIN NICHOLS
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J. E. GASTON, Jr.
JOHN S. PARKER

Executive Council Fairhope Single Tax Corporation Fairhope, Alabama 36532

Gentlemen:

Two streets have been opened effective July 1, 1976 and are now subject to the usual frontage charge.

These are Derby Drive in Bay Meadows Subdivision with a frontage rate of .016 and Kennel Court in N_2 of SW_4 of SE_4 , Section 22-6-2 with a frontage of .012.

The culde sac at the end of Derby Drive was treated as if the adjoining lots had a full side fronting on the street as was discussed at last council meeting.

Charges on the lots on Derby Drive are as follows:

Lot 1 - \$89.64 (corner) Lot 2 -67.42 67.42 Lot 3 -Lot 4 -67.32 Lot 5 -67.42 (Hinrichs) Lot 6 -67.46 (Hinz) 67.44 Lot 7 -Lot 8 -89.44 (corner)

This will give you an idea of how the rents are on this paved street with all utilities except sewage disposal, but with no curbs, gutter or sidewalk.

Very truly yours,

R. Lucier Rockwell, Chairman - Rent Study Committee

November 14, 1977

Executive Council
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

The undersigned members of your Rent Study Committee agree that rents of Corporation lands should represent approximately 4% of the fair market value of the land. The 1968-1970 rent study reflects a rent based on a comparable value at the time it was done.

We now have good, complete, professional and unbiased appraisals of all Corporation lands. These values follow closely, for the most part, the current rent curves.

The suggested 4% of the fair market value of \$12,771,675 total from these appraisals (average of Yoh Co. appraisals and Corporation suggested values presented to Yoh Co at hearings) produces a rent charge of \$510,867.00; a multiplier of 20.5 and an increase of 96%.

This is the ideal situation.

An alternate choice would be to set the rents to produce an income above the new tax rates (net rent) at least equal in $\underline{\text{real}}$ $\underline{\text{commodity value}}$ to present rent.

This would require an income of approximately \$450,000.00; a multiplier of 18.0 and an increase of 72%.

If a program of this nature is not started soon while some action of this kind is expected, the Corporation may well lose what it may have gained from any efforts so far and drop further behind in real values of rents collected.

Specific recommendations for certain areas are as follows:

Bay Meadows Avenue, Steeple Chase and Chukker Court in Bay Meadows Subdivision are all paved and are designed to meet specifications for maintenance by the County (State), Rents should reflect these improvements.

Apparently the streets on the City paving assessment program will not be completed in time for inclusion in 1978 rent adjustments.

Respectfully submitted,

R. Lucier Rockwell

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Kenneth L. Rockwell
Kenneth L. Rockwell

Executive Council
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

December 27, 1977

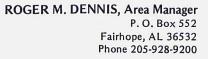
Gentlemen:

In line with past procedures it is recommended that the rents on the portion of the road reservation serving Lot 2 of the subdivision of Irene Brown leasehold, now transferred to her son, Dewey Brown, Jr., be treated in the same manner as the Lambert and Hanson leaseholds in SW_4 , Sec 14-6-2 for 1978 rent charges.

Sincerely,

R. Lucier Rockwell,

For the Rent Study Committee





October 19, 1978

Executive Council Fairhope Single Tax Colony 340 Fairhope Avenue Fairhope, AL 36532

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing minutes from the Rent Study Committee meetings held on July 19, August 16 and October 16, 1978.

Cordially,

Roger/M. Dennis

Chairman

Rent Study Committee

RMD:fw Enclosures

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Secretary

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Gale Rowe Secretary

October 11, 1979

To: The Rent Study Committee
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
%Roger M. Dennis, Chairman

From: Sam Dyson, Former President, Councilman, & Member of Rent

Study Committee

Subject: Suggestions for Pent Determinations for 1980

Gentlemen:

The following information is offered for your consideration.

The recent appraisals of all properties in Alabama made by professionals using formulas and methods approved by the state have created an opportunity to simplify the rent calculating procedures and make them understandable with little difficulty.

To make these suggestions understandable, the terminology as used herein shall be interpreted as follows:

YOH CO: shall mean the professionals who appraised Baldwin County properties.

MARKET VALUE: shall mean the YOH CO appraisal values.

BOARD: shall mean the Baldwin County Board of Tax Equalization.

BOARD VALUE: shall mean the land and building values as reported to the Tax Assessor by the Board, and accepted by the Tax Assessor.

ASSESSOR: shall mean the Baldwin County Tax Assessor.

ASSESSED VALUE: shall mean the values as applied to properties - (either 10%, 15%, or 20% of Board Value as the cases may be).

TAX: shall mean the amount of tax in dollars and cents for the various parcels of land.

PARCEL: shall mean each individual parcel as designated and numbered by the YOH CO - (it should be noted that the system does not follow the usual pattern - thus a parcel includes all lots in a block in the city or all acres adjacent to each other outside the city unless separated by

PARCEL: roads or section lines.

LEASEHOLD: shall mean each individual leasehold.

RECOMMENDATIONS & SUGGESTIONS

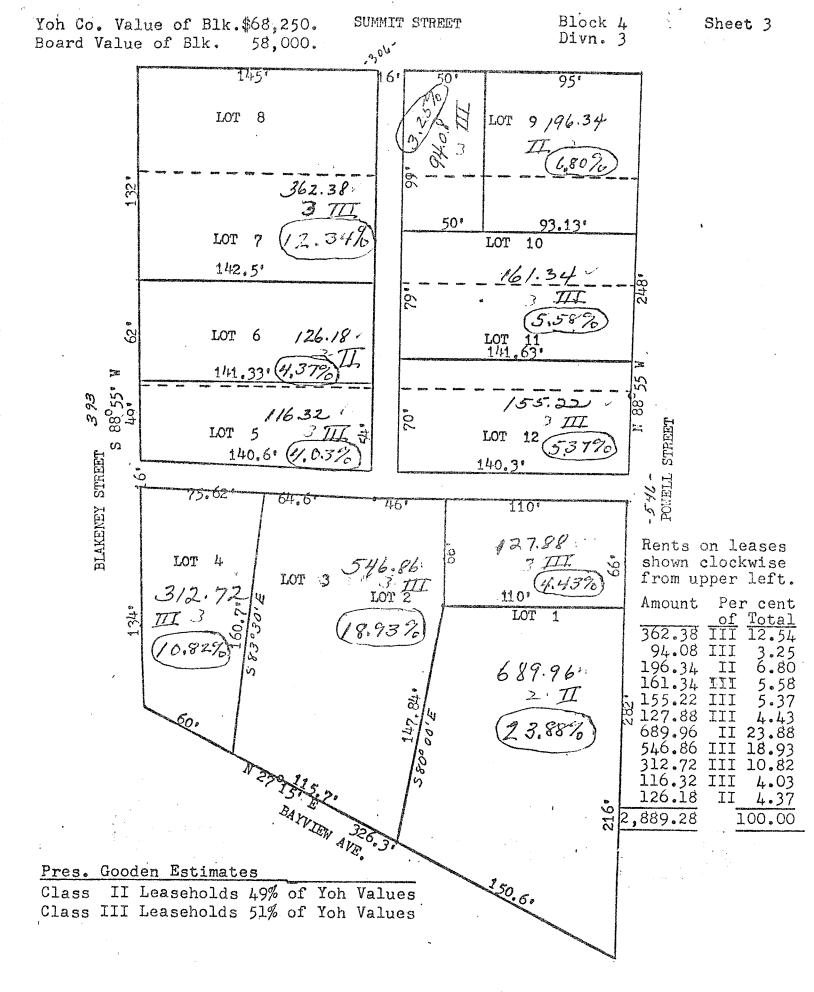
It is recommended that the rent of each leasehold be calculated as a percentage of the Board Value for all leaseholds within the city of Fairhope. --- This can be done by using the Board Value of the parcel in which the leasehold is situated - and by reference to the 1978 rent formula, calculating each leasehold in relation to the total rent of the parcel (See Attached Example).

It is also recommended that the same method be used in calculating rents for country lands (lands outside the city of Fairhope) with a provision that credits be allowed on country land rents for current use in each case when the leasehold, or any part thereof, qualifies for current use and as recognized by the Assessor. (The intent of this provision shall be to allow a credit up to the difference between what the rent would be when calculated at the Board Value and the amount as calculated at the current use value of the leasehold).

It is further suggested that some consideration be given to allowing a credit for a part of the Homestead Exemption of taxes on improvements. In this connection, it should be especially recognized that the State Supreme Court made its recent decisions because it had not been shown that harm had been done to the citizens. We must, therefore, be especially careful that no action be taken nor that a position be held that might be construed as injurious to anyone.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Dyson



GENERAL TAX AND RENT INFORMATION FOR BLOCK 4-DIVISION 3

The Yoh Company estimated value for the Block\$ 68,250. Board value as applied \$ 58,000.

Tax Liability for Block:

Class II portion 49% of 58,000. = 28,420 @20% = 5,680. \times .041 \$232.88 Class III portion 51% of 58,000. = 29,580 @10% = 2,960. \times .041 121.36

Current rent Charges:

Total rent charges for year 1977 are \$2,889.28 (see sheet 3)
This amounts to .0498% of Board value of land or approx five per cent.

According to this proposal rents should be fixed at a percentage of the Board Values for each of the several parcels for both Country and City Leaseholds and each leasehold rent should calculated as a percentage of the parcel in which it is located.

As en axemple if this block were charged at 5% of Board Value to total rent charge for all the lots will be \$2,900 and the rents for each lot will be as listed here; (Listed in same order as in Sheet 3; beginning at the upper left hand corner and continuing clockwise)

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Lots 7 & 8
            12.54% of 2,900.
                                363.66
Pt.Lot 9-N
             3.25\% of 2.900. = 94.25
            6.80\% of 2,900. = 197.20
Pt.Lot 9-S
Pt.Lot 10&11 5.58% of 2,900. = 161.82
             5.37% of 2,900.
Lot 12 +
                             = 155.73
E. Pt. Lot 1 4.43\% of 2,900. = 128.47
            23.88% of 2,900. = 692.52
Lot 1
            18.93% of 2,900. = 548.97
Lot 3
            10.82\% of 2,900. = 313.78
Lot 4
Lot 5
            4.03% of 2,900. = 116.87
Lot 6
            4.37% of 2,900. = 126.73
           100.00% of 2,900. 2,900.00
Total all
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At the present time this method would require only the raising or lowering of the base rate which is 5% to change rents.

It is suggested that at this time the rate be fixed at 6% which will produce an increase of approximately \$50,000 additional rent income to cover the increase of approx \$45,000. in the estimated tax liability on the lands.

Sheet 5 KLUMPP AND COPAS HOMESITES (RING FARM ETC) SE /4 SEC 15 Yoh Co. Value (Est) 157.79 Ac.@\$5,400. = 852,066.00 * 157.79 Ac @ 430.88= 67,988.56 1967 Board Value Total Rent at 5% of Board Value (1980) 3,399.43 FALRHOPE AVE 31 U KLUMPP 148,79 AL Z 0 1979 BRINT S 1 Σ 0 I ∢

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Total Rent 1979 Klumpp Portion 1979

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3,793.62' 3,506.60 =92.43% 287.02 = 7.57%

1980 Rent

Klumpp Portion 1980 93.43% of 3,399.43 = 3,176.09Copas Portion 1980 7.57% of 3,399.43 = 257.34

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Rent Study Committee
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
340 Fairhope Avenue
Fairhope, Alabama 36532

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Rent Committee (cont'd)

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Sincerely,

R. Lucier Rockwell, Member

Rent Study Committee

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ROGER M. DENNIS, Area Manager P. O. Box 552 Fairhope, AL 36532 Phone 205-928-9200



October 19, 1978

Executive Council Fairhope Single Tax Colony 340 Fairhope Avenue Fairhope, AL 36532

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Cordially,

Roger/M. Dennis

Chairman

Rent Study Committee

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Secretary

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Gale Rowe Secretary

RENT STUDY COMMITTEE

Minutes - Committee Meeting, April 2, 1979.

- 1. Committee met at 5:30 p.m. in the library of the Corporation.
- 2. Members present: Mr. Robert Mason, Mr. Charles Ingersoll and Mr. Roger Dennis.
- 3. The Chairman reported that the Committee had been asked by the Review Board to review the rent charges on the A. Schneider leasehold and that member Robert Mason had made an extensive review of the situation, comparing other similarly situated leaseholds and making an on-the-site inspection. A general discussion followed during which the Committee agreed that changes over the years in the drainage pattern of surface water from the property and streets above the leasehold have adversely affected access to the leasehold; and that until the City of Fairhope has taken steps to resolve the problem, a deficiency factor should be applied to the rental of the Schneider leasehold.
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- 5. Upon motion duly made and seconded the following resolutions were adopted:

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommendations made in Mr. Lucier Rockwell's letter to the Rent Study Committee regarding the rents in the Bay Meadows Subdivision be approved and recommended to the Executive Council.

6. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Robert Mason Acting Secretary Rent Study Committee
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
340 Fairhope Avenue
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ROGER M. DENNIS, Area Manager P. O. Box 552 Fairhope, AL 36532 Phone 205-928-1900

April 9, 1979

Executive Council Fairhope Single Tax Corporation 340 Fairhope Avenue Fairhope, Alabama 36532

Gentlemen:

The Rent Study Committee has looked into the situation regarding rents in the Bay Meadows Subdivision.

It is the recommendation of the Committee that the suggestion made in paragraph one of Mr. Lucier Rockwell's letter to the Committee dated March 9, 1979, be followed. A copy of that letter is enclosed.

Cordially,

Roger M. Dennis

Chairman

Rent Study Committee

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Robert Mason Acting Secretary

RENT STUDY COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM MARCH 17, 1980

The first meeting of the new Rent Study Committee was held on Monday, March 17, 1980, at 10:30 A.M. Attending the meeting were Committee Members: Mr. Rick Boone, Mr. Roger Dennis, Mr. Charles Ingersoll, and Mr. Robert Mason. Tax Corporation Secretary, Mr. Gale Rowe, also was in attendance.

A full discussion was held on items coming under the Committee's area of responsibility and specifically on action the Committee needs to take or recommend in 1980.

The Committee does intend to make recommendations to the Council involving rental adjustments and plans to complete its work and make its recommendations by this coming summer. As a prelude to Committee action, it was agreed the Committee would set a meeting up with Mr. Kenneth Rockwell for a full and in-depth discussion of the Somer's System and the presently used Rent Calculation Formula.

As a further prelude toward Committee action, the following motion was passed:

RESOLVED: The Single Tax Corporation Rent Study Committee is considering recommending to the Council a simplified Rent Calculation System to be used in 1980 and the years beyond. It is therefore recommended to the Single Tax Corporation Council that it consider moving immediately to hire competent appraisers to break down the Court-ordered values on the Single Tax Tracts (based on Yoh and Equalization Board values) into individual leasehold values. It is further recommended that this action be taken without delay so that the information will be available to the Rent Study Committee and the Council in time to fully consider its implications prior to making final decisions on rents for this year.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Roger M. Dennis
Acting Secretary

To: All Members of the Rent Study Committee:

From: W.C.LUCEY

Subject: Minutes of the October 10 1980 meeting.

Attached are the minutes of the meeting of the Committee. Will you kindly review them and let us know if their any additions or deletions which sould be made.

Sincerely,

Minutes of Rent Study Committee, Friday October 10 1980

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 9.30AM by Mr. R-bert Mason, Vice-Chairman. The following were present; Robert Mason, Members Rick Boone and Charles Ingersoll. President Lucey and Secretary Rowe were in attendence.
- 2. Mr. Rowe reported on a recent meeting which he had with Mr. McBee of the State Revenue Office. Mr. McBee advised Mr. Rowe that the land tax bill for October 1980 will be the same as for 1979, and further that the tax bill for 1981 and 1982 should be the same as '79 and '80. Mr. McBee also stated that the new appraisal had stated in the north end of Baldwin County and they are working south and should finish in time for the 1982 tax bills. He also states that our problem with PRC data would be solved and to get in touch with him at the end of the month (October).
- 3. The estimated tax to be paid in 1980 by FSTC is as follows;
 Improvement taxes for country
 Land taxes for country land

 8,554.06

 \$15,580.08

Improvement taxes in the City \$62,061.93
Land taxes for City land 37,099.02 \$99.160.95
\$114,741.03

- 4. Under the present rent formula it is estimated that the following monies will be received by FSTC form the lessees;

 Country economic rents \$76,421.38

 City ecenomic rents \$236,139.25
- 5. During the past few months as tome permited and PRC facts were available the office has been breaking out the assessments for each leasehold. While many blocks of land have been divided we still do not have the informantion from the County that we have been trying to get for the past 7 months. Most of the information on country land is missing. WE will continue to try and get the information and finish up this study so that it will be available and can be updated as new information becomes available.
- 6. The Committee were given examples of economic rent versus taxes which pointed out that in significant number of cases our rent appraisals do not cover enough income to cover improvement taxes much less the land tax and adminstrative cost of maintence, i.e. some lessees do not contribute any moneys to the general fund. These examples were both business and residential.
- 7. Discussion was held on the present rent formula and the fact that there has not been a traffic count in the past few years. The Committee feels that we should not consider doing a traffic count until the present law suits are resolved.
- 8. The Committee was advised that there is no detailed explanation in the office of how the traffic counts were converted to front foot rates. Discussions have been held with Mr. Kenneth Rockwell about how the conversion was accomplished and he has agreed to come in during the last weel in October and advise us on the method used. The Committee recommends that if for some reason Mr. K. Rockwell does not come in to than employ an expert to fill

- 8.con't-in the datails by decipher the computer language used by the Rockwells. Time is running along and the office needs these details before the cases come to court.
- 9. The Rent Study Committee's consensus is to recommend to the Executive Council that no changes in the rent formula be made until the present cases are resolved. The Committee recognizes that a formula that can be using a simple method that can be easily explained to lessees is what is needed but now is not the time to change. The Committee encouraged the Office staff to cont' inue to explore verious methods using facts from tax appraisal values, assessed valuation and fair market values plus overhead costs and reserves for emergencies and public improvements.
- 10. There was a discussion on whether the FSTC should employ a outside firm or individual to help develope a new formula. This idea seemed to have value but that this again is not the time. There was no firm or individual suggested as this discussion was only an idea for discussion.
- 11. The Committee is preparing a resolution for consideration by the Executive Council at the-r November 1980 meeting. Two points were agreed upon for this resolution. A.The FSTC supports the efforts of the Tax Assessors Office in their efforts of developing fair land and improvement assessments.

 B. The the Economic rents for 1981 be the same as for 1979 and 1980.
- 12. The meeting was adjourned 11AM

April 20, 1981

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7:30-9:00 P.M.

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October 7, 1982

To: Fairhope Single Tax Corp.

Executive Council

From: F.S.T.C. Rent Study Committee

After nearly two years of study on the matter of rent charged by the F.S.T.C., the Rent Study Committee at its September meeting has arrived at the following motion:

Motion by Charles Ingersoll:

the se recommend to the F.S.T.C. Executive Council that they adopt the Rent Data Sheet Procedure and Formula dated 120/82, and use said procedure and formulas for figuring rent for 1983.

Seconded by Lucy

Motion carried with Mason abstaining and reserving the right to submit minority report.

For your information and/or use we are attaching a copy of the above mentioned Rent Study Data Sheet.

Submitted by Chairman of Rent Study Committee

L.P. Thomas Chairman

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RENT CALCULATION FOR 1978 RENTS

BAY MEADOWS ROAD CHUKKER COURT STEEPLE CHASE

Block 1, Bay Meadows Subdv.

Lot	1	\$136.64
Lot	2	147.44
Lot	3	73.98
Lot	4	95.78

Block 2, Bay Meadows Subdv.

Lot 1	\$106.64
Lot 2	107.06
Lot 3	66.82
Lot 4	66.82

Krhut leasehold on North side of Bay Meadows Road:

Krhut

\$898.52

BAY MEADOWS AVE. - EAST

BAY MEADOWS EAST SUBDV.

SOUTH SIDE BAY MEADOWS AVE - EAST

Lot 1 \$45.18 Moyd leasehold on S/S

Lot 2 45.18 Moyd \$718.08

Lot 3 45.18

Lot 4 45.18

Lot 5 45.18

Lot 6 (Corner 65.14

Ruth 6. Kackwell, Nec 6, 1977

11.26 19/58

To Executive Council:

LEASEHOLDS GIVEN SPECIAL CONSIDERATION BECAUSE OF INCLUSION IN COMMERCIAL ZONING BUT HAVING THEIR HOMES IN THAT LOCATION PREVIOUS TO ZONING AND CONTINUING TO HAVE THEIR HOMES IN THIS LOCATION:

R. C. Newman, Sr.

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TRANSFERS NEED TO HAVE RENTS ADJUSTED BACK TO REGULAR STATUS.

December, 1977

Confirm

EXCERPTS FROM PUBLISHED COUNCIL MINUTES RE: RENTS

10/1/53--The secretary reported that he had met at the corporation office Sept. 8 with Pres. Dyson and Councilmen Brown, Johnson and Rockwell to consider rent charges for 1954. A map showing present street frontage rates in all sections of the city was studied to see if the rates were the same in all sections where values are substantially the same.

Considering that the lands in the Magnolia Beach blocks will be served with the essential utilities in 1954 it was decided that the present rate of 5 should be increased to 6 on Becan W. of Church, on Pinecrest and Orange, on Fig W. of Church; and on Pomelo and Liberty; from 3 to 5 on Church and on Pecan E. of Church; from 3 to 4 on unnamed street through blk. 47 and from 1 to 3 on Fig E. of Church.

In Division Four it was recommended that the rates on Mershon and Young Sts. S. of Morphy, on W. and E. sides of ball park be raised from 3 to 4.

All other rates in the city were believed to be fairly proportioned but it was considered that the growth of the town and the increased demand resulting therefrom justified an increase of ten per cent in the value of the rent unit effecting urban lands and a like increase in the acre rate on country lands. It was noted that there had been no general increase since 1947 when the multiplier used in calculating rents on urban lands was increased from 5.4 to 6 and it was now proposed to increase from 6 to 6.6

It was moved and carried to adopt the recommendations and to so fix the rents for 1954 and to give the secretary authority to employ such help as might be needed.

11/19/53--It was moved and carried to amend council action of October 1, 1953 assessing rental charges for 1954 to reflect the increased value resulting from the paving of Greeno Rd. and Belforest Rd. as follows: Raise from 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ rate on Greeno from Fairhope Ave. to Edward St.; add regular 2% per front ft. to abutting country land leaseholds.

12/16/54--It was moved and carried to continue for 1955, the same rental charges made in 1954, except on Edward St. where pavement was extended and there to increase the frontage rate by one unit, raising it from 3 to 4.

12/15/55--It was moved and carried to continue for 1956 the same St. frontage and acreage rates on which 1955 rents were calculated except as follows: (1) on both sides of Liberty St., from Pecan to Fig and on south side of Pecan St. from Pomelo to east line blk. 36, raise from 6 to 7, due to paving of streets; (2) on Johnson, Call and Berglin Sts. as opened in golf course subdivision figure 1956 rents using a frontage rate of 8.

11/15/56--It was moved and carried to increase rent charges for 1967 by raising street frontage rates as follows: on N. Church St.; blks 5 and 6, div. 1, blk. 8, div. 3 and land N. of blk. 5, div. 1; from.5 to 7; on.S. Church St. lcts 4, 2, 3 and 4, blk 47, Mag Bch., from 5 to 6; oh Fineerest Ln., 36-N and 36-S; on Orange St., blks. 22-28-S, 22-27, 36-S and lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, 37-42, from 6 to 7.

11/21/57--As a result of a study of present rent charges by the members of the executive council, meeting as a committee of the whole Oct 24, it was moved and carried to order 1958 rent charges as follows: on urban lands, increase the multiplier from 6.60 to 7.00, an increase of approximately 6 per cent; increase acreage rates on country lands 10 per cent; continue as for 1957 street frontage rates on urban lands and on country lands abutting paved highways.

12/17/59-It was moved and carried to leave the rent charges for 1960 the same as for 1959 except on newly paved streets and roads as follows: Church St., Pinecrest Lane to Fig St. Blks. 42 and 47, Mag. Bch. Addn., raise from 5 to 6; Orange St. blk. 42, Mag. Bch. Addn. raise from 6 to 7; Pier and Liberty Sts. blk. 30, Mag. Bch. Addn. raise from 7 to 8; Belforest Rd. between $S^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Sec. 14 and $S^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Sec. 15 and along E/S Sec. 22 add 2 cents per front foot.

EXCERPTS RE: RENTS (2)

10/20/60--Council members were furnished with lists and maps show-, ing the street frontage rates used in calculating current rent charges on individual leaseholds and urban areas and acreage rates on country lands. Some time was spent in reviewing the street frontage rates and tentative proposals made for local increases to accomplish an equalization with charges in other areas and to reflect increases in value resulting from public improvements completed this year. The study was not completed and will be resumed at future meetings.

11/4/60--Further consideration was given to rent changes to be effective 1961.

11/17/60 -- The consideration of rent charges for 1961 was resumed and action taken as follows:

It was moved and carried to change from 7.00 to 7.50 the multiplier used in calculating all urban land rents, and to change street frontage rates as follows:

Bellangee St., Mershon to Young, 7 to 8.
N. Brown St., Fairhope to Stimpson, 21 to 4.

N. Church St., Magnolia to Oak, 7 to 8.

S. Church St., Pecan to Fig, 6 to 8.
DeLaMare St., 16 to 18.
Edward St., Ingleside to E/S Lot 7, 5 to 7; thence to Greeno, 4 to 6.

Fairhope Ave., N. School to Blue Island, $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 8; thence to Ingleside, 7 to 8; thence to Greeno Rd., 6 to 7. Fig St., Pomelo to Church, 6 to 8; thence E. fr. Church, 3 to 4. Greeno Rd., Fairhope to Edward, $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 4.

Ingleside Ave., Morphy to Edward, 6 to 7.

Liberty St., Pecan to Fig, 7 to 8.

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Oak St., Church to Section, 7 to 8.

Orange St., Pomelo to Church, 7 to 8.

Pecan St., Pomelo to Church, 7 to 8.

Pinecrest Ln., Liberty to Church, 7 to 8.

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N. Section St., Equality to Pine, $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 10; thence to Oak, 7 to 10.

Young St., Johnson to Bellangee, 4 to 8; Morphy to S/S Athletic Field, 4 to 5; thence to Nichols, 2 to 3. It was moved and carried to change acreage rates on countru lands

as follows:

In Township 6 South, Range 2 East: Sec. 1: SW_4^1 SW_4^1 , N/S Silverhill Rd., 2.72 to 3.00. Sec. 2, S_2^1 , N/S Silverhill Rd., 2.72 to 3.00; N_2^1 , 2.42 to 2.66. Sec. 10, E_2^1 SE_4^1 , W/S Belforest Rd., 2.72 to 3.00; also SW_4^1 NW_4^1 SE_4^1 , 2.42 to 2.66.

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Sec. 22, $E_{2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ on W/S Belforest Rd. and $SW_{4}^{\frac{1}{4}}$, 2.42 to 2.66; $NW_{4}^{\frac{1}{4}}$ 2.72

Sec. 27, $W_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $NE_4^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $N_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $NW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$, 2.12 to 2.33; $SW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ $SE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$, 2.00 to 2.20. Sec. 35, $NW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ $SE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ and $E_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $NE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ $SW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$, 2.00 to 2.20. In Township 7 South Range 2 East: Sec. 2, $SW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ $NE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ and $SE_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ $NW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$, 2.00 to 2.20; $SW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ $SW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$, 1.82 to 2.20. No change was made in the 2 cent per front foot charge for paved roads as follows: Belforest Rd., Fairhope Ave., Greeno Rd., Morphy Ave. and Silverhill Highway.

11/16/61--It was moved and carried to continue for 1962 the same rental charges made in 1961.

12/6/62--It was moved and carried to continue in 1963 rental charges in effect in 1962; except that on Pinecrest Ln. between blks 22-28-N and 22-28-S the rate be increased from 6 to 8 as on other paved streets in the area; and that the rate on north side of blk. 30,

EXCERPTS RE: RENTS (3)

div. 2 be increased from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 to reflect the increase in value resulting from the opening of Morphy Ave. to Church St.

9/5/63--Moved and carried to meet Tuesday night, Sept. 10 to consider rent charges for 1964.

9/19/63--As a result of the study of rents Tuesday, Sept. 10, it was moved and carried to increase from 7.5 to 8.7, the multiplier to be used in calculating 1964 rents on urban lands, with the understanding that no less an increase will be made in country land rents for 1964.

12/5/63--It was moved and carried to remove the existing rate differential affecting the S. frontage of blk. 7 and the N. frontage of blk. 12, div. 1, the effective rates to be 75 at e. and $62\frac{1}{2}$ at w.; also to remove such differential affecting the S. frontage of blk. 5 and the N. frontage of blk. 6, div. 4, the effective rates to be 25 at e. and 49 at w.

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11/5/64--It was moved and carried to continue for 1965 the 1964 rent charges.

11/18/65--It was moved and carried to continue in 1966 the same basis for rent calculations used in calculating 1965 rents.

11/3/66--As a result of a study of the current market values of unimproved land in the area of Colony owned land and a resulting comparison with the unimproved values of Colony land used as a basis for current rent carges it was evident such Colony values were appreciably under current market values in this area. While anticipating the need of a continuing study to determine the full rental value of Colony land the following motion was adopted.

It was moved and carried to increase by 20 per cent 1967 city land rental and to increase by 30 per cent country land rentals.

12/15/66-Presented to the council was a statement entitled "Observations on the Colony's 1967 Rent Increase" to be mailed to lessees with their 1967 rent statements.

11/2/67--It was moved and carried to adjust the frontage rate on N. Ingleside Ave. to correspond to the presnt rate in that area., 7 from 5.

11/16/67-It was moved and carried to change from country(rural) to city (urban) status, as a basis for rent charges W_2^1 of W_2^1 of S_2^1 of Sec. 16-6-2 on E/S of Greeno Rd. mow within the municipal boundaries of the City of Fairhope and to impose a Greeno Rd. frontage rate of 4 as applied to Colony's City land on W/S of Greeno Rd. N. of Fairhope Ave. in SE_4^1 of NE_4^1 , Sec. 17, div. 4.

12/7/67-It was moved and carried to fix the frontage rate on Bancroft St., as presently extended N. from Oak St. at 4 and together with this year's rate changes, continue for 1968, the 1967 street frontage rates and the multiplier established by the council to effect the 20% increase in this year's rent charges on urban lands and to continue for 1968 the acreage rates effective in 1967, on country lands and the additional paved road charge per front foot, subject, however to such additional charge on lands in sections 15, 16, 22 and 27 as they may receive benefit of the paving of roads now in the process of being completed.

5/2/68--It was moved and carried to appoint R. Lucier Rockwell and C. W. Arnold to propose more scientific means for determining the rental value of Colony land, both urban and rural.

7/18/68-It was moved and carried to authorize R. Lucier Rockwell and C. W. Arnold, appointed by the council May 2, 1968 "to propose more scientific means for determining the rental value of Colony land, both urban and qural", to expend up to \$1500.00 in developing their proposal.

DVODULIO UP: UPMID (4)

4/3/69--R. Lucier Rockwell was present and reported some of the preliminary results of computerized site value determinations. He suggested that such results be considered in greater detail by the entire council and it was agreed to begin such consideration at the next regular council meeting.

6/5/69--Additional results of their use of a computer in determining an equitable distribution of rental charges was presented by Mr. and Mrs. R. Lucier Rockwell and it was decided to meet in committee session at an early date to consider the matter in detail.

8/7/69--Samples of country land rentals as determined by computer were presented to the council by R. Lucier and Ruth E. Rockwell for consideration, comment and suggestion. It was decided to meet again Monday night, Aug. 11 for further consideration of the matter of 1970 rental charges.

11/6/69--It was moved and carried to fix rents for the first half of 1970 the same as those in effect for 1969, except that a front-age rate of 4 be established on Blue Island Ave., effecting lots 4, 5 and 8, Green Subdv.

It was moved and carried to authorize a calculation of leasehold rental charges on frontage rates in City and Country as determined by the committee appointed by the Executive Council May 2, 1968.

11/20/69-The minutes of the Nov. 6 meeting were read and corrected to include approval of a motion to appoint Councilman Sam Dyson to serve with Member R. Lucier Rockwell and Vice-Pres. C. W. Arnold appointed May 2, 1968 to propose more scientific means determining the rental of Colony land, both urban and rural.

12/4/69--It was moved and carried to establish street frontage rates of 4 on Fairhope and Morphy Aves. E. from Greeno Rd. to City limit on E. and a rate of 3 on Nichols St. E. of Greeno Rd. to City limit on E. and to establish a frontage rate of 7 on Ettel St. S. from Morphy Ave.

6/4/70-The rent study committee filed a written report on the council's authorization Nov. 6, 1969 for a calculation of rental charges based on frontage rates in city and country as determined by the committee, for consideration by the council in levying lessees' rental charges for the 2nd half of 1970. Considerable progress was reported.

6/18/70-It was moved and carried to calculate rents for the 2nd half of 1970, using street frontage rates as determined by the rent study committee, as a result of its various calculations and land value comparisons since its appointment by the council May 2, 1968. Recognizing however, that due to the fact of a failure over a number of years to make amply justifiable increases as indicated by the community growth with its corresponding increase in demand for land it was agreed by the council to provide a period of adjustment to lessees affected by the increases in the following manner: For the 2nd half of 1970 the rent charge shall be equal to that charged for the first half plus one tenth of the indicated increase.

7/2/70--A draft of a proposed letter to be mailed to lessees with their rent statements for the last half of 1970 was read to the council and a motion to approve was adopted.

8/6/70--A petition bearing names of persons concerned as lessees of 83, of 150 some country land leaseholds, as well as names of persons concerned with 27 city land leaseholds, and some others who do not appear to have a direct concern as Colony lessees, delivered to the secretary earlier by a committee of six Colony lessees, was brought to the attention of the council. The petition carried the following introductory statement:

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We, the undersigned, Lessees of Fairhope Single Tax Corporation, do hereby protest the raise in our annual rent and do hereby petition the Board of Directors or Executive Council to reconsider such increase and to reduce the rental to a reasonable amount.

After careful consideration of the complaint and a discussion of the processes of investigation and study upon which the new rent

EXCERPTS RE: RENTS (5)

levy is based it was moved and carried to direct that a written reply be made to the protesting petitioners, embodying therein points developed by the councilmen and officers in their discussion of the matter; also that such reply be added to and published with the council proceedings.

August 7, 1970 TO COLONY LESSEE PETITIONERS PROTESTING RENT RAISE:

Dear Petitioning Lessees:

Your petition asking for a reconsideration of the recently adopted new rent schedule upon which your bills for the last half of 1970 are based and asking for a reduction of the increase indicated, was presented to the Executive Council at its regular meeting Thursday night, August 6.

There have been many changes in recent years that have influenced the site value of Colony land, both in the urban and rural areas. In many cases these have brought about inequities and an imbalance in our declared aim to accomplish an equalization of the varying advantages of location and natural qualities, as set forth in Sec. 2, Article VIII of our constitution. Rent increases made from time to time on an overall percentage basis have had the effect of perpet-

uating the inequities resulting from this imbalance.

The recent intensive study of factors influencing such changes was believed to be needed as a means of correcting such imbalance and the establishment of a more equitable distribution of rent charges. As we have reported to you in our published annual reports each year for some years past there was ample evidence that we were falling far short of accomplishing our declared purpose to collect

the economic rent from those leasing our lands.

Possibly future evidence may be such as to result in an apparent justification for a modification in the scheduled increases reflected in your rent statements. However it is not believed that the initial increase in the levy for the last half of this year's rent will put an undue burden on any of you, nor is it considered that it constitutes an unreasonable increase for the period covered.

The Executive Council has directed me to extend to your committee an invitation to meet with it Thursday night, August 13 at 7 o'clock, in the Colony office, if you so desire. Please let me know your pleasure so I can have ample time to notify council members and officers. Sincerely yours, C. A. Gaston, Secretary.

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FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

Meeting of Fairhope Single Tax Corporation Rent Committee

August 16, 1975 8:00 A.M.

Chairman Lucier Rockwell, Claude W. Arnold, John S. Parker, Kenneth Rockwell and Corp. Sec., ex officio member and acting secretary were present.

Activities reported were as follows:

- 1. Adjustment was made on unopened right-of-way on Isloe Faust property, following official adoption of resolution by Exec. Council on recommendation by this committee regarding such r.o.w. reservations. All properties are being monitored for this adjustment as new reservations are made.
- 2. Adjustments have been made on nine leaseholds now included in commercial zoning which were and remain homesteads in possession of the same leaseholder who had them prior to any zoning being in effect in Fairhope, according to Exec. Council resolution #2 regarding this situation, also recommended by this committee.
- 3. Mr. Sully, Jr. rent to be rechecked, error in separation corrected and consideration be given to surrender of drainage area as official easement.
- 4. Proposed appraisals have been made by M. D. Bell Co., M.A.I., Mobile, Al. of six parcels of land, with improvements separated, as follows:
 - (A) $W_2^1 \to E_2^1 \to NE_4^1 \to NW_4^1 \to C$. Hughes
 - (B) N 300 + ft. of E 630 + in NE_{4}^{1} SE¹ Sec 10-6-2, Rezner
 - (C) E_{2}^{1} E_{2}^{1} SE_{4}^{1} SW_{4}^{1} Sec 16-6-2, Hoffren
 - (D) S 150 ft. of W 250 ft. of SW4 NW4 SW4 Sec. 16-6-2, Sully
 - (E) Lot 10, Blk B, Tanglewood Subdv., Crittenden
 - (F) Lot 6, Blk 3, Div. 4, Pitman
- 5. The office is preparing a listing of rents by geographical location, size, leaseholder with frontage rates and rents.
- 6. Hoffren soil inventory and evaluation was considered briefly and a similar drainage problem exists here as with Mr. Sully, Jr. possibly calling for surrender for easement. Further consideration to be given to this matter.
- 7. Request from Mr. C. M. Bishop in NW_4 NW_4 Sec 15 for a soil inventory on his leasehold also was reported.
- 8. The following changes in public services and/or facilities are to be reported for inclusion in 1976 rents:
 - 1. Bancroft St., Magnolia to Oak, c & g & swlk.
 - 2. Bellangee, Berglin St. W 400 ft. pav, c & g.
 - Mershon St. bal. pav.; c & g fr Ball Park to Nichols & fr. N line of Singleton lot to Nichols on W/S.
 - 4. Morphy Ave. c & g & swlk N/S only Bancroft to Ingleside.
 - 5. Bay Meadows Rd. Open graded road.
 - 6. Blue Island Pav, c & g F'hope to Winn Ln, Sewer F'hope to Lot 5, Green Subdv.
- 9. Consideration of value from public parking is to be included in a subsequent trattle survey.

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HOW TO DETERMINE COUNTRY LESSEES

- 1. The plaintiffs have the following products:
 - a. The 1971-1976 lessees and rents list provided for the Hoffren Suit.
 - b. The "Master Rent List" in three parts:
 - (1) 1969-1974
 - (2) 1975-1981
 - (3) 1982-1984

Note: In this process it is best to use b.(2) list to determine Country Lessees on list a.

- 2. The 1 b lists are in Lessee/Leasehold sequence and there is a short land description included (at least the Section).
- 3. The following sections are outside City limits and are therefore in the Country land or rural land category: (a) Sections 2, 10, 11, 14, 15, 22, 27, 35 in Township 6 South. (b) Section 2 in Township 7 South. (c) Most of Section 16 except the following leaseholds in the 1971-1976 rent list (that is, these leaseholds were in the City of Fairhope in the 1971-1976 timeframe and should not be included as country lessees):
 - Bayview Services #2
 - Emperor Clock Co.
 - Gable, C. W.
 - Hoffren, Marjorie & Wayne #2
 - Jansen, Claude #3, 4 & 6
 - Van Der Linden #1 8 #2
- 4. Other lessees in Section 16 but in the City of Fairhope are:
 - Joe Schneider
 - Robert Schneider
 - Todd, W. R. #3 (That line marked City)

HOW TO IDENTIFY 1975 RENTS

The "Master Rent List" (long ledger sheets) for period 1975-1981 shows the 1975 rent in the Column headed "1969 Rent Program Projected".

COMMENTS REGARDING PROPOSED RENT AJUSTMENTS

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION August 21,1969.

PREFACE: These comments are predicated on the assumption that it is the intent and purpose of the Single Tax Corporation to assess its charges for the use if its lands at the full amount of the economic rent and further on the premise that the economic rent is all the value of the wealth produced on a given parcel of land that is in excess of the wealth that might be produced on a parcel of land that might be the least productive under similar conditions.

These comments are also predicated on the assumption that it is the intent of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation to arrive at an estimate of the economic rent of its lands under circumstances wherein the land is not held under private monopoly ownership but under such circumstances that any individual* might in fact have access to a parcel of land by payment of rent only for the land in addition to the costs of improvements thereon.

It is to be noted that assumptions outlined in the preceding paragraphs are sound and that in a free economy the application of the ideas expressed would greatly simplify the problems of public finance but since we do not have a "free economy" these comments have a direct bearing on the problem of fixing charges for the use of lands.

1: The Single Tax Principle should be considered in the light of what it implies: A Single Tax on Land.

Currently we have a multitude of taxes ranging from local license charges, privelege taxes and special assessments levied by local bodies and to these we have taxes levied by the County Authorities, State Authorities and Federal Agencies to say nothing of the various artificial districts created for special taxing authority (School and Housing Authorities etc.)

- 2, The Single Tax Idea predates a host of taxes which are now common and which in my opinion it is almost impossible to absorb through collection of ground rent. (Sales Taxes for Example)
- 3, In Fairhope we do not own ALL the land within an area but in fact other individuals have under private ownership certain strategically located parcels. This situation makes comparisons between our lands difficult to justify and to ajust for.
- 4, The proposal to fix rents in accordance with a schedule based on pedestrian and vehicle traffic counts is in all probability better than any proposal that has been introduced thus far but it is essential in my opinion that several other criteria be considered before adoption of the suggested rent schedules in full.

Use of traffic counts as the sole or the main unit of measure of value would ignore certain factors which may be of equal importance.

(* Individual meaning any person, corporation, or association)

- 5, Sales prices of land as such: and Sales prices of Leaseholds: Would give a sound basis for fixing land values if it were possible to eliminate the effect of anticipated future increases in land values; but since this is not possible, and since current land selling prices are affected by estimated future values, allowances should be made when using selling prices as a guide to rents.
- 6, Many factors enter into consideration in the present day society which affect land prices. Some of the factors are listed below:
 - * (A) Current Productivity of the Land.
 (B) The cost of borrowed money.

** (C) Easthetic value or value to one particular individual (Emotional)

(D) Surrounding land and improvements.

(E) Estimated future value (Speculative value)

- (F) Value of productivity resulting from investment in improvements. (It is impossible for most of us to separate the land from the improvements)
- *** (G) Zoning laws and restrictive regulations. (H) Habit and Custom also affect land prices.

Notes: * This is probably the most equitable guide. ** Consideration to this factor may be important. *** Unnatural laws can not be completely overlooked.

The foregoing is elementary to any student of the Henry George Theory but should not be overlooked even momentarily in this study of the rent structure.

It seems evident that the bases of rent charges have not been revised greatly in the past thirty years and that a revision is long overdue.

Not since the middle 1930's have there been more than a few unleased parcels of land in the business area and these only because of defetts.

Many inequities in rent charges have developed in recent years due to changes in locations of roads, streets, public buildings, uses of parks etc. that are not due to any one individuals efforts. These changes are in some cases distinctly noticiable and might require drastic changes in rent charges to bring into line.

SUGGESTION:

These comments and observations suggest that further suplemental studies be made to determine current productivity of the various leaseholds after giving effect to and making proper allowances for investments in improvements and for the costs of money in the current market.

This suggestion is offered to give full consideration to "CURKENT PRODUCTIVITY OF THE LAND" as noted in sub paragraph (A) 6, above.

To ignore this suggestion would be to overlook one of the basic principles.

CONCLUSIONS:

The thoughts suggestiod by these comments indicate that changes in rent charges should be approved and ordered by the Council only after careful consideration of additional factors and that the results of further study should be evaluated along with the results of the traffic survey. A study of the productive value of improved leaseholds should be made to ascertain the amount of rent such leaseholds should be properly expected to yield. This could be done on a sampling basis.

After arriving at a rent schedule believed to be properly adaptable action should then be taken to put the new schedule into effect over a period of years (Ten years) so that the local economy will not be drastically upset and in order to avoid possible reactions by lessees that could prove to be damaging to the Corporation and to the Single Tax Idea. If indeed as stated herein our land charges have been gradually departing from the true rent basis then we can not expect to remedy the situation without allowing our present lessees an opportunity to make ajustments to the change.

To Arrive At Rent Charges for 1979 use the following information:

- I. Use existing dollar (monetary) amounts charged for 1978 on each lease as a "BASIS".
- II. To the "base" amount for each leasehold, as determined in paragraph I, add (or subtract) an amount determined by the procedure indicated in sub paragraph's "A" through "D".
 - A. For city residential and all commercial leaseholds; calculate the total difference between the taxes paid (or due) for 1978 and the amount due (or estimated) for 1979 using 10% assessments for city residential; and 20% assessments for city commercial.
 - B. Ascertain the percentage of the difference between the two totals in the preceding paragraph to arrive at a "DIFFERENTIAL" in percentage which shall be applied reciprocally to each block so that the amount of change in land taxes for each block can be determinded.
 - C. To the "BASE" figure for each leasehold; add the percentage DIFFERENTIAL and the result will be the rent charge for 1979 subject to a limit of % in increase in each case.
 - D. For country and fram leaseholds use the same formula as for city residential and commercial leaseholds using a 10% assessment of the Yoh Valuation and limited to an increase of _____ % in each case.

CALCULATION FOR DIFFERENTIAL PERCENTAGE 1979

City & Residential Val	ue	Assessment <u>Rate</u>	:	Assessment		<u>Mill</u> s		<u>Ta</u> x	
5,197,900	X	10%	==	519,790	a	.042	==	21,831.18	
Business Value 2,506,850	X	20%	=	501,370	@	.042	=	21,057.54	
				Taxes paid 1			==	42,888.72 12,366.42	
	Differe	ntial Perce		1979 Additio ge increase			=	30,522.30 71.17%	71.2%
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7,802,350	Х	10%	=	780,235 Taxes paid 1	@ 977		==	20,442.00 983.84	
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	Differe	ntial Perce	nta	ge increase	"of"	1979	==	95.19	95.2%
	Рe	rcentage Co	unt	ry Land Tax	Incr	ease		1977.76	(1977.8%)

Residental & Business = 49.68 % of Total

Country = 50.32 % of Total

Using formula presented to the Executive Council on December 7, 1978 for Rent Calculations will result in the following:

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	Increase At	Residence 71.2		Business	Country 95.2	
	10% will be	24.72%		24.7%	198.3%	
	Dollar increase		\$49,440		\$12,500 =	\$61,940
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W	7% will be	17.30%		17.3%	198.3%	
~ (Dollar increase	•	\$34,600		\$12,500 =	\$47,100 /
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	Increase	Residence 61.66		Business 80.77	Country 95.2	
	10% will be	16.16%		42.0%	198.3%	
	Dollar increase		\$19,392	\$20,000	\$12,500 =	\$51,892
	7% will be	11.3		29.4	138.8	•
	Dollar increase		\$13,560	\$20,000	\$12,500 =	\$46,060
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		1979	Estimated	Tax Land Only	•	
	City .	Assessmen	t			
	Residential Value 5,197,900	Rate 10%	Assess = 519,79		$\frac{x}{3} = 21,831.18$	
	Business Value 2,506,850		Taxes paid	70 @ .042 Total 1 1977 & 1978 Hitional Tax ase for 1979	= 42,888.72	\$30,522.30
,	Country Value 7,802,350	X 10% Percen	Taxes paid 1979 Add	35 @ .026 1 1977 & 1978 Hitional Tax Ise for 1979	= 20,442.00 = 983.84 = 19,458.16 2077.8%	19,458.16 \$49,980.46
	Residental & Busin	ess Land Tax	: 1979 = 4	49.68% of Total		

= 50.32% of Total

Country Land Tax 1979

CALCULATION FOR DIFFERENTIAL PERCENTAGE 1979

Assessment

Residential Val	<u>ue</u>	Rate		Assessment	_	$\underline{\text{Mills}}$,	<u>Ta</u> x	
5,197,900	X	10%	=	519,790	@	.042	==	21.831.18	
Business Value 2,506,850	Х	20%	=	501,370	<u>e</u>	.042 Total	=	21,057.54 42,888.72	
	Differe	ential	Percenta	Taxes paid 1979 Additi age increase	onal	Tax		12,366.42 30,522.30 71.17%	71.2%
Country Value	•								
7,802,350	X	10%	=	780,235 Taxes paid 1979 Additi			= = =	20,442.00 983.84 19,458.16	
	Differe	ential	Percenta	ige increase	"of	" 1979	=	95.19	95.2%
	Pe	rcenta	ige Count	ry Land Tax	Inc	rease		1977.76	(1977.8%)

Residental & Business = 49.68 % of Total
Country = 50.32 % of Total

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Note: At the meeting on Dec. 7,1978 several examples of rent calculations for leaseholds selected at random were reviewed and it was determined 7% of the formula amount should be applied to both Residential and Business as well as Country Leaseholds. This means 7% of the differential percentage between the taxes paid on lands before the re-appraisal and taxes to be paid according the valuations by the Yoh Company for 1979 and afterward.

Council action limits rent increases on each leasehold to a maximum increase of 25% subject to this limit does not apply to changes for corrections of errors in existing rents or changes and additions for improvements of streets or other changes in land uses etc.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

December 7, 1978

Council met in regular session with Pres. Dyson presiding: all present.

Guests were Mrs. William C. Lucey, Mrs. John S. Parker, Mrs. Sam Dyson,

Mrs. Richard Spater, Mrs. Harriett Otteson, Barbara Zwayer, Sam L. Box,

Mrs. Cleveland Woodward, Phil Porter Dyson, Mrs. Phil P. Dyson, Robert Mason

and Mrs. Roger Dennis.

Guests were representing themselves and various Garden Clubs in the matter of the use of Knoll Park for display and sales boothes. Letters were read from the Eastern Shore Art Association, Inc., The Wisteria Garden Club and the Fairhope Garden Club and several of the guests made personal statements and then they were excused.

Council later discussed the matter and instructed the Secretary to inform the City of Fairhope that the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation Council considers the proposed use of the Park to be in conflict with the Park Deed and therefore does not approve the request.

Minutes of regular meeting of Nov. 2 and special meeting of Nov. 22 were approved.

Minutes and actions of the Executive Committee Meetings of Nov. 8; Nov. 17 and Dec. 6 were approved.

Treasurer's Report for Nov. was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Bills were allowed as follows:

Waller Bros. off supp\$	19.19
The Independent, adv	15.75
Garner & Klumpp, floral	15.60
Office Sund	103.00

Jani-Care, Inc., cleaning,	60.00
Safeguard, statements	65.91
Shepherd Prtg, supp	10.57
Xerox, supp	152.16
E. S. Courier, adv	337.64
DeWoody, copies	22.88
Print Shop, envelopes	50.91
Richard Dunning, CPA	955.46
Phil P. Dyson, appraisals	280.00
Craig T. Sheldon, trip for Corp	45.00

Lessees transfer was approved, subject to the rules as follows:

Crittenden Enterprises, Inc. to Richard A. Carrier & Mary Susan C. Carrier, Lot 4, Bay Meadows East, jointly, and VA assent to mortgage to Real Estate Financing.

Lease assignments to 1st Nat'l Bank of Bald. County were reported as follows: (1) Lot 1-A, Blk. 3, Golf Cse. (2) Lots 1 & 3, Ingleside Unit 3 and (3) NW_4^1 NE_4^1 , Sec. 14-6-2.

The report of the Rent Committee as presented to the Council on Nov. 2, 1978 was reviewed as well as additional information gathered through property examinations and appraisals. A motion was then made, seconded and approved adopting a schedule of rents for 1979 using 1978 rent figures as a base and adding charges calculated according to a formula presented using the Yoh Company land values with a provision that the resulting increases for 1979 shall not exceed 25% for any leasehold: subject also to corrections for errors in existing rents and adjustments for street improvements and physical changes in leaseholds.

Assistant Secretary Godard was authorized to pay extra help as needed to help with assessments and other year end duties.

President Dyson was authorized to make changes in office opening & closing hours to improve efficiency in office operation.

By action of the Council, auto taxes will be credited to the rental account only beginning January 1, 1979.

Resolution adopted August 16, 1976 regarding improvements in subdivisions was rescinded.

The regular appropriation to Education Committee for Education activities was approved.

Finance Committee report was read and approved including Compensation for office personnel beginning January 1979.

Council approved payment for real estate appraisals at current rate.

Regular contributions to the following were approved: Henry George Schools of California; Henry George Institute: Henry George Foundation of America and Schalkenbach Foundation.

Adjourned.

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