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	Agenda Item No.	13
	Roll Call No.	<u>14-0206</u>
	Communication No.	<u>14-052</u>
	Submitted by:	Phillip Delafield, Community Development Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of 90 tax abatement applications for improvements to property completed in 2013.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of 90 tax abatement applications with an estimated value of \$49,282,202.97. There were 46 applications for the construction of new single family homes, apartments, and new commercial buildings with an estimated value of \$33,864,345 and 44 applications for improvements to existing structures with an estimated value of \$15,417,857.97.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Abatement upon property with a claimed value of \$49,282,202.97.

Funding Source: Taxes will only be generated from the land value while tax abatement is in effect. Taxes on the \$49,282,202.97 improvement value will be forthcoming when the improvement value comes on the tax rolls after abatement ends.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The applicant must increase the value of residential property at least 5% for residential or 15% for commercial and industrial property to receive tax abatement.

Of the 90 applications submitted for approval by this roll call:

A total of 16 applicants chose Schedule 1 with an estimated value of \$290,479. Schedule 1 is for residential property with a 10-year exemption from the taxation on the actual value of improvements not to exceed \$20,000. The exemption amount is 115% of the actual value added by improvements.

A total of four (4) applicants chose Schedule 2 with an estimated value of \$2,560,775. Schedule 2 is for all qualified real estate and will receive a partial exemption for 10 years. The exemption schedule is a declining schedule starting with the first year at 80% and ending in year 10 at 20%.

A total of 0 applicants chose Schedule 3 with an estimated value of \$0. All qualified real estate is eligible to receive an exemption from taxation on the actual value added by the improvements for three (3) years. This schedule also applies to commercial and industrial property in specific areas.

A total of 27 applicants chose Schedule 4A with an estimated value of \$17,999,926. Schedule 4A is for qualified real estate in specific areas generally located downtown or near the downtown area. The exemption period is 10 years and the exemption amount is 100% of the actual value added by improvements. Qualified real estate assessed as residential or assessed as commercial consisting of three (3) or more living quarters with at least 75% of the space used residentially is eligible to receive an exemption from taxation and the actual value added by the improvements.

A total of 43 applicants chose Schedule 4B with an estimated value of \$28,431,022.97. Schedule 4B is for qualified real estate for the remainder of the City for a period of five (5) years. Qualified real estate assessed as residential or commercial and consisting of three (3) or more living quarters with at least 75% of the space used residentially is eligible to receive an exemption from taxation on the actual value added by improvements. The exemption amount is 100% of the actual value added by the improvements.

Cumulative To-Date Totals for 2013 Applications:

Schedule	#Applications	Abatement Value
1	128	\$2,388,343.34
2	14	\$4,952,474
3	0	\$0
4A	63	\$45,046,225.64
4B	131	\$55,489,136.93
Totals	336	\$107,876,179.91

Previous Years' Data:

Year	# Applications	Abatement Value
2012	265	\$74,782,673.99
2011	359	\$116,387,542.42
2010	434	\$131,978,678.99
2009	471	\$146,208,042
2008	855	\$198,152,168
2007	823	\$208,376,038

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: January 27, 2014

Roll Call Number: [14-0135](#)

Action: [Approving](#) Tax Abatement Applications for additional value added by improvements completed during 2013, (80 applications). ([Council Communication No. 14-029](#)) Moved by Mahaffey to adopt. Motion Carried 5-2.

Date: December 9, 2013

Roll Call Number: [13-1882](#)

Action: [Approving](#) 166 tax abatement applications for the additional value added by improvements completed during 2013. ([Council Communication No. 13-577](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: March 25, 2013

Roll Call Number: [13-0454](#)

Action: [Approving](#) 13 tax abatement applications for the additional value added by improvements completed during 2012. ([Council Communication No. 13-147](#)) Moved by Hensley to adopt, and to request that Polk County apply the tax abatement to the valuation existing on January 1, 2013, and the property taxes payable in FY2014/15 as if the applications had been timely processed and delivered to the County Assessor by March 1, 2013. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Approval of additional tax abatement applications.

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