



**Schedule of Values
&
Revaluation Manual
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Introduction

The intent of this manual is to function as an efficient appraisal tool for the local taxing authority. Proper use of this manual will assure that future assessments of real estate will be calculated in a fair and equitable manner following the general reassessment program.

Following extensive research of area property values, we are recommending the values and rates enclosed in this manual. The building cost schedules were prepared from information gathered from local sales, local contractors, collection of materials cost data, and from the Marshall & Swift cost manual which has been incorporated into this manual using the *Market Derived Cost Approach*. A copy of this manual is located in the Tax Office. The residential, rural and commercial building costs were calculated according to construction quality and grade. Proper application of the enclosed cost schedules will result in fair replacement costs consistent with construction cost in Polk County as of January 1, 2021.

The land value schedules were also prepared after extensive research of all land classes in the area. The enclosed land schedules have been examined against properties of known value, which varied not only as to class but also as to specific location. These schedules have been proven to be fair and equitable on all classes of property and their proper application will result in reasonable estimates of value in Polk County as of January 1, 2021.

It is important to emphasize that while this manual provides an accurate resource to land and building valuation, it also serves the important role of equalization. If the schedule and appraisal guidelines enclosed in this manual are followed, then the local taxing authority will be able to maintain an equalization of values in the years following the general reassessment program. We have attempted to present these guidelines in a clear, detailed and easy to use format that will allow the efficient and accurate assignment of equal values to all classes of property.

The 2019 edition of the Machinery Act of North Carolina, Chapter 105, Taxation, apply to and are followed in this 2021 Schedule of Values.

North Carolina General Statutes

Chapter 105 – Taxation

1. Revaluation Schedule

105-286. Time for general reappraisal of real property.

(a) Octennial Cycle. - Each county must reappraise all real property in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 105-283 and G.S. 105-317 as of January 1 of the year set out in the following schedule and every eighth year thereafter, unless the county is required to advance the date under subdivision (2) of this section or chooses to advance the date under subdivision (3) of this section.

(1) Schedule of Initial Reappraisals.

Division One - 1972: Avery, Camden, Cherokee, Cleveland, Cumberland, Guilford, Harnett, Haywood, Lee, Montgomery, Northampton, and Robeson.

Division Two - 1973: Caldwell, Carteret, Columbus, Currituck, Davidson, Gaston, Greene, Hyde, Lenoir, Madison, Orange, Pamlico, Pitt, Polk, Swain, Transylvania, and Washington.

Division Three - 1974: Ashe, Buncombe, Chowan, Franklin, Henderson, Hoke, Jones, Pasquotank, Rowan, and Stokes.

Division Four - 1975: Alleghany, Bladen, Brunswick, Cabarrus, Catawba, Dare, Halifax, Macon, New Hanover, Surry, Tyrrell, and Yadkin.

Division Five - 1976: Bertie, Caswell, Forsyth, Iredell, Jackson, Lincoln, Onslow, Person, Perquimans, Rutherford, Union, Vance, Wake, Wilson, and Yancey.

Division Six - 1977: Alamance, Durham, Edgecombe, Gates, Martin, Mitchell, Nash, Polk, Randolph, Stanly, Warren, and Wilkes.

Division Seven - 1978: Alexander, Anson, Beaufort, Clay, Craven, Davie, Duplin, and Granville.

Division Eight - 1979: Burke, Chatham, Graham, Hertford, Johnston, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Moore, Pender, Rockingham, Sampson, Scotland, Watauga, and Wayne.

(2) Mandatory Advancement. - A county whose population is 75,000 or greater according to the most recent annual population estimates certified to the Secretary by the State Budget Officer must conduct a reappraisal of real property when the county's sales assessment ratio determined under G.S. 105-289(h) is less than .85 or greater than 1.15, as indicated on the notice the county receives under G.S. 105-284. A reappraisal required under this subdivision must become effective no later than January 1 of the earlier of the following years:

a. The third year following the year the county received the notice.

b. The eighth year following the year of the county's last reappraisal.

(3) Optional Advancement. - A county may conduct a reappraisal of real property earlier than required by subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection if the board of county commissioners adopts a resolution providing for advancement of the reappraisal. The resolution must designate the effective date of the advanced reappraisal and may designate a new reappraisal cycle that is more frequent than the octennial cycle set in subdivision (1) of this subsection. The board of county commissioners must promptly forward a copy of the resolution adopted under this subdivision to

the Department of Revenue. A more frequent reappraisal cycle designated in a resolution adopted under this subdivision continues in effect after a mandatory reappraisal required under subdivision (2) of this subsection unless the board of county commissioners adopts another resolution that designates a different date for the county's next reappraisal.

(b), (c) Repealed by Session Laws 2008-146, s. 1.1, effective July 1, 2009. (1939, c. 310, s. 300; 1941, c. 282, ss. 1, 11/2; 1943, c. 634, s. 1; 1945, c. 5; 1947, c. 50; 1949, c. 109; 1951, c. 847; 1953, c. 395; 1955, c. 1273; 1957, c. 1453, s. 1; 1959, c. 704, s. 1; 1971, c. 806, s. 1; 1973, c. 476, s. 193; 1987, c. 45, s. 1; 2008-146, s. 1.1.)

2. Schedule of Values Requirement

105-317. Appraisal of real property; adoption of schedules, standards, and rules.

(a) Whenever any real property is appraised it shall be the duty of the persons making appraisals:

(1) In determining the true value of land, to consider as to each tract, parcel, or lot separately listed at least its advantages and disadvantages as to location; zoning; quality of soil; waterpower; water privileges; dedication as a nature preserve; conservation or preservation agreements; mineral, quarry, or other valuable deposits; fertility; adaptability for agricultural, timber-producing, commercial, industrial, or other uses; past income; probable future income; and any other factors that may affect its value except growing crops of a seasonal or annual nature.

(2) In determining the true value of a building or other improvement, to consider at least its location; type of construction; age; replacement cost; cost; adaptability for residence, commercial, industrial, or other uses; past income; probable future income; and any other factors that may affect its value.

(3) To appraise partially completed buildings in accordance with the degree of completion on January 1.

(b) In preparation for each revaluation of real property required by G.S. 105-286, it shall be the duty of the assessor to see that:

(1) Uniform schedules of values, standards, and rules to be used in appraising real property at its true value and at its present-use value are prepared and are sufficiently detailed to enable those making appraisals to adhere to them in appraising real property.

(2) Repealed by Session Laws 1981, c. 678, s. 1.

(3) A separate property record be prepared for each tract, parcel, lot, or group of contiguous lots, which record shall show the information required for compliance with the provisions of G.S. 105-309 insofar as they deal with real property, as well as that required by this section. (The purpose of this subdivision is to require that individual property records be maintained in sufficient detail to enable property owners to ascertain the method, rules, and standards of value by which property is appraised.)

(4) The property characteristics considered in appraising each lot, parcel, tract, building, structure and improvement, in accordance with the schedules of values, standards, and rules, be accurately recorded on the appropriate property record.

(5) Upon the request of the owner, the board of equalization and review, or the board of county commissioners, any particular lot, parcel, tract, building, structure or improvement be actually visited and observed to verify the accuracy of property characteristics on record for that property.

(6) Each lot, parcel, tract, building, structure and improvement be separately appraised by a competent appraiser, either one appointed under the provisions of G.S. 105-296 or one employed under the provisions of G.S. 105-299.

(7) Notice is given in writing to the owner that he is entitled to have an actual visitation and observation of his property to verify the accuracy of property characteristics on record for that property.

(c) The values, standards, and rules required by subdivision (b)(1) shall be reviewed and approved by the board of county commissioners before January 1 of the year they are applied. The board of county commissioners may approve the schedules of values, standards, and rules to be used in appraising real property at its true value and at its present-use value either separately or simultaneously. Notice of the receipt and adoption by the board of county commissioners of either or both the true value and present-use value schedules, standards, and rules, and notice of a property owner's right to comment on and contest the schedules, standards, and rules shall be given as follows:

(1) The assessor shall submit the proposed schedules, standards, and rules to the board of county commissioners not less than 21 days before the meeting at which they will be considered by the board. On the same day that they are submitted to the board for its consideration, the assessor shall file a copy of the proposed schedules, standards, and rules in his office where they shall remain available for public inspection.

(2) Upon receipt of the proposed schedules, standards, and rules, the board of commissioners shall publish a statement in a newspaper having general circulation in the county stating:

a. That the proposed schedules, standards, and rules to be used in appraising real property in the county have been submitted to the board of county commissioners and are available for public inspection in the assessor's office; and

b. The time and place of a public hearing on the proposed schedules, standards, and rules that shall be held by the board of county commissioners at least seven days before adopting the final schedules, standards, and rules.

(3) When the board of county commissioners approves the final schedules, standards, and rules, it shall issue an order adopting them. Notice of this order shall be published once a week for four successive weeks in a newspaper having general circulation in the county, with the last publication being not less than seven days before the last day for challenging the validity of the schedules, standards, and rules by appeal to the Property Tax Commission. The notice shall state:

a. That the schedules, standards, and rules to be used in the next scheduled reappraisal of real property in the county have been adopted and are open to examination in the office of the assessor; and

b. That a property owner who asserts that the schedules, standards, and rules are invalid may except to the order and appeal therefrom to the Property Tax Commission within 30 days of the date when the notice of the order adopting the schedules, standards, and rules was first published.

(d) Before the board of county commissioners adopts the schedules of values, standards, and rules, the assessor may collect data needed to apply the schedules, standards, and rules to each parcel in the county. (1939, c. 310, s. 501; 1959, c. 704, s. 4; 1967, c. 944; 1971, c. 806, s. 1; 1973, c. 476, s. 193; c. 695, s. 5; 1981, c. 224; c. 678, s. 1; 1985, c. 216, s. 2; c. 628, s. 4; 1987, c. 45, s. 1; c. 295, s. 1; 1997-226, s. 5.)

3. Listing and Appraisal Requirements

105-285. Date as of which property is to be listed and appraised.

(a) Annual Listing Required. - All property subject to ad valorem taxation shall be listed annually.

(b) Personal Property; General Rule. - Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, the value, ownership, and place of taxation of personal property, both tangible and intangible, shall be determined annually as of January 1.

(c) Repealed by Session Laws 1987, c. 813, s. 12.

(d) Real Property. - The value of real property shall be determined as of January 1 of the years prescribed by G.S. 105-286 and G.S. 105-287. The ownership of real property shall be determined annually as of January 1, except in the following situation: When any real property is acquired after January 1, but prior to July 1, and the property was not subject to taxation on January 1 on account of its exempt status, it shall be listed for taxation by the transferee as of the date of acquisition and shall be appraised in accordance with its true value as of January 1 preceding the date of acquisition; and the property shall be taxed for the fiscal year of the taxing unit beginning on July 1 of the year in which it is acquired. The person in whose name such

property is listed shall have the right to appeal the listing, appraisal, and assessment of the property in the same manner as that provided for listings made as of January 1.

In the event real property exempt as of January 1 is, prior to July 1, acquired from a governmental unit that by contract is making payments in lieu of taxes to the taxing unit for the fiscal period beginning July 1 of the year in which the property is acquired, the tax on such property for the fiscal period beginning on July 1 immediately following acquisition shall be one half of the amount of the tax that would have been imposed if the property had been listed for taxation as of January 1. (1939, c. 310, s. 302; 1945, c. 973; 1971, c. 806, s. 1; 1973, c. 735; 1985, c. 656, s. 21; 1987, c. 813, s. 12; 1993, c. 485, s. 17.)

105-302. In whose name real property is to be listed.

(a) Taxable real property shall be listed in the name of the owner, and it shall be the owner's duty to list it unless the board of county commissioners shall have adopted a permanent listing system as provided in G.S. 105-303(b). For purposes of this section, the board of county commissioners may require that real property be listed in the name of the owner of record as of the day as of which property is to be listed under G.S. 105-285.

(b) If real property is listed in the name of one other than the person in whose name it should be listed, and the name of the proper person is later ascertained, the abstract and tax records shall be corrected to list the property in the name of the person in whose name it should have been listed. The corrected listing shall have the same force and effect as if the real property had been listed in the name of the proper person in the first instance.

(c) For purposes of this Subchapter:

(1) The owner of the equity of redemption in real property subject to a mortgage or deed of trust shall be considered the owner of the property, and such real property shall be listed in the name of the owner of the equity of redemption.

(2) Real property owned by a corporation shall be listed in the name of the corporation.

(3) Real property owned by an unincorporated association shall be listed in the name of the association.

(4) Real property owned by a partnership shall be listed in the name of the partnership.

(5) Real property held in connection with a sole proprietorship shall be listed in the name of the owner, and the name and address of the proprietorship shall be noted on the abstract.

(6) Real property of which a decedent died possessed, if not under the control of an executor or administrator, shall be listed in the names of the heirs or devisees if known, but such property may be listed as property of "the heirs" or "the devisees" of the decedent, without naming them, until they have given the assessor notice of their names and of the division of the estate. It shall

be the duty of an executor or administrator having control of real property to list it in his fiduciary capacity, as required by subdivision (c)(7), below, until he is divested of control of the property. However, the right of an administrator or executor of a deceased person to petition for the sale of real property to make assets shall not be considered control of the real property for the purposes of this subdivision.

(7) Real property, the title to which is held by a trustee, guardian, or other fiduciary, shall be listed by the fiduciary in his fiduciary capacity except as otherwise provided in this section.

(8) A life tenant or tenant for the life of another shall be considered the owner of real property, and it shall be his duty to list the property for taxation, indicating on the abstract that he is a life tenant or tenant for the life of another named individual.

(9) Upon request to and with the approval of the assessor, undivided interests in real property owned by tenants in common who are not copartners may be listed by the respective owners in accordance with their respective undivided interests. Otherwise, real property held by tenants in common shall be listed in the names of all the owners.

(10) Real property owned by husband and wife as tenants by the entirety shall be listed on a single abstract in the names of both tenants, and the nature of their ownership shall be indicated thereon.

(11) When land is owned by one party and improvements thereon or special rights (such as mineral, timber, quarry, waterpower, or similar rights) therein are owned by another party, the parties shall list their interests separately unless, in accordance with contractual relations between them, both the land and the improvements and special rights are listed in the name of the owner of the land.

(12) If the person in whose name real property should be listed is unknown, or if title to real property is in dispute, the property shall be listed in the name of the occupant or, if there be no occupant, in the name of "unknown owner." Such a listing shall not affect the validity of the lien for taxes created by G.S. 105-355. When the name of the owner is later ascertained, the provisions of subsection (b), above, shall apply.

(13) Real property, owned under a time-sharing arrangement but managed by a homeowner's association or other managing entity, shall be listed in the name of the managing entity. (1939, c. 310, s. 701; 1971, c. 806, s. 1; 1983, c. 785, s. 1; 1987, c. 45, s. 1.)

105-309.What the abstract shall contain.

(a) Each person whose duty it is to list property for taxation shall file each year with the assessor a tax list or abstract showing, as of the date prescribed by G.S. 105-285(b), the information required by this section. Subject to the provisions of subdivisions (a) (1) and (a) (2), below, each person whose duty it is to list property for taxation shall file a separate abstract.

(1) Tenants by the entirety shall file a single abstract listing the real property so held, together with all personal property they own jointly.

(2) Tenants in common shall file a single abstract listing the real property so held, together with all personal property that they own jointly, unless, as provided in G.S. 105-302(c) (9), the assessor allows them to list their undivided interests in the real property on separate abstracts.

(b) Each abstract shall show the taxpayer's name; residence address; and, if required by the assessor, business address.

(1) An individual trading under a firm name shall show his name and address and also the name and address of his business firm.

(2) An unincorporated association shall show both the name and address of the association and the names and addresses of its principal officers.

(3) A partnership shall show both the name and address of the partnership and the names and addresses of its full partners.

(c) Each tract, parcel, or lot of real property owned or controlled in the county shall be listed in accordance with the following instructions:

(1) Real property not divided into lots shall be described by giving:

a. The township in which located.

b. The total number of acres in the tract, or, if smaller than one acre, the dimensions of the parcel.

c. The tract name (if any), the names of at least two adjoining landowners, a reference to the tract's designation on any map maintained in the office of the assessor or on file in the office of the register of deeds, or some other description sufficient to identify and locate the property by parol testimony.

d. If applicable, the number of acres of:

1. Cleared land;

2. Woods and timberland;

3. Land containing mineral or quarry deposits;

4. Land susceptible of development for waterpower;

5. Wasteland.

e. The portion of the tract or parcel located within the boundaries of any municipality.

(2) Real property divided into lots shall be described by giving:

a. The township in which located.

b. The dimensions of the lot.

c. The location of the lot, including its street number (if any).

d. The lot's designation on any map maintained in the office of the assessor or on file in the office of the register of deeds, or some description sufficient to identify and locate the property by parol testimony.

e. The portion of the lot located within the boundaries of any municipality.

(3) In conjunction with the listing of any real property under subdivisions (c) (1) and (c) (2), above, there shall be given a short description of any buildings and other improvements thereon that belong to the owner of the land.

(4) Buildings and other improvements having a value in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) that have been acquired, begun, erected, damaged, or destroyed since the time of the last appraisal of property shall be described.

(5) If some person other than the owner of a tract, parcel, or lot shall own any buildings or other improvements thereon or separate rights (such as mineral, quarry, timber, waterpower, or other rights) therein, that fact shall be specified on the abstract on which the land is listed, together with the name and address of the owner of the buildings, other improvements, or rights.

a. Buildings, other improvements, and separate rights owned by a taxpayer with respect to the lands of another shall be listed separately and identified so as to indicate the name of the owner thereof and the tract, parcel, or lot on which the buildings or other improvements are situated or to which the separate rights appertain.

b. In accordance with the provisions of G.S. 105-302(c) (11), buildings or other improvements or separate rights owned by a taxpayer with respect to the lands of another may be listed either in the name of the owner of the buildings, other improvements, or rights, or in the name of the owner of the land.

(d) Personal property shall be listed to indicate the township and municipality, if any, in which it is taxable and shall be itemized by the taxpayer in such detail as may be prescribed by an abstract form approved by the Department of Revenue. Personal property shall also be listed to indicate which property, if any, is subject to a tax credit under G.S. 105-151.21.

(1) If the assessor considers it necessary to obtain a complete listing of personal property, the assessor may require a taxpayer to submit additional information, inventories, or itemized lists of personal property.

(2) At the request of the assessor, the taxpayer shall furnish any information the taxpayer has with respect to the true value of the personal property the taxpayer is required to list.

(e) At the end of the abstract each person whose duty it is to list property for taxation shall sign the affirmation required by G.S. 105-310.

(f) The assessor must print a homestead tax relief notice on each abstract or on an information sheet distributed with the abstract. The abstract or sheet must include the address and telephone number of the assessor below the notice required by this section. The notice must be in the form required by the Department of Revenue designed to notify the taxpayer of his or

her rights and responsibilities under the homestead property tax exclusion provided in G.S. 105-277.1 and the property tax homestead circuit breaker provided in G.S. 105-277.1B.

(g) Any person who fails to give the notice required by G.S. 105-309(f) shall not only be subject to loss of the exemption, but also to the penalties provided by G.S. 105-312, and also if willful to the penalty provided in G.S. 105-310. For the purpose of determining whether a penalty is levied, whenever a taxpayer has received an exemption under G.S. 105-277.1 for one taxable year but the property of taxpayer is not eligible for the exemption the next year, notice given of that fact to the assessor on or before April 15 shall be considered as timely filed. (1939, c. 310, s. 900; 1941, c. 221, s. 1; 1953, c. 970, s. 6; 1955, c. 34; 1971, c. 806, s. 1; 1973, c. 448, s. 2; c. 476, s. 193; 1975, c. 881, s. 3; 1977, c. 666, s. 2; 1979, c. 846, s. 2; 1981, c. 54, ss. 4-6; c. 1052, s. 1; 1985, c. 656, ss. 47, 51; 1985 (Reg. Sess., 1986), c. 947, s. 9; c. 982, s. 23; 1987, c. 43, s. 6; c. 45, s. 1; 1993, c. 360, s. 2; 1996, 2nd Ex. Sess., c. 18, s. 15.1(b); 1998-98, s. 111; 2001-308, s. 2; 2007-484, s. 43.7T(b); 2007-497, s. 2.5.)

105-303. Obtaining information on real property transfers; permanent listing.

(a) To facilitate the accurate listing of real property for taxation, the board of county commissioners may require the register of deeds to comply with the provisions of subdivision (a) (1), below, or it may require him to comply with the provisions of subdivision (a) (2), below:

(1) When any conveyance of real property (other than a deed of trust or mortgage) is recorded, the board of county commissioners may require the register of deeds to certify to the assessor:

- a. The name of the person conveying the property.
- b. The name and address of the person to whom the property is being conveyed.
- c. A description of the property sufficient to locate and identify it.
- d. A statement as to whether the parcel is conveyed in whole or in part.

(2) When any conveyance of real property (other than a deed of trust or mortgage) is submitted for recordation, the board of county commissioners may require the register of deeds to refuse to record it unless it has been presented to the assessor and the assessor has noted thereon that he has obtained the information he desires from the conveyance and from the person recording it.

(b) The board of commissioners of each county must install a permanent listing system. Each county must obtain the approval of the Department of Revenue for its permanent listing system. Under such a system the provisions of subdivisions (b) (1) through (b) (4) of this subsection apply.

(1) The assessor is responsible for listing all real property on the abstracts and tax records each year in the name of the owner of record as of the day as of which property is to be listed under G.S. 105-285.

(2) Persons whose duty it is to list real property under the provisions of G.S. 105-302 are relieved of that duty, but annually, during the listing period established by G.S. 105-307, these persons must furnish the assessor with the information concerning improvements on and separate rights in real property required by G.S. 105-309(c) (3) through (c) (5).

(3) The penalties imposed by G.S. 105-308 and 105-312 do not apply to failure to list real property for taxation, but they apply to failure to comply with the provisions of subdivision (b) (2) of this subsection with respect to reporting the construction or acquisition of improvements on and separate rights in real property. In such a case, the penalty prescribed by G.S. 105-312 shall be computed on the basis of the tax imposed on the improvements and separate rights.

(4) The Department of Revenue may authorize the board of county commissioners to make additional modifications of the listing requirements of this Subchapter, as long as the modifications do not conflict with subdivisions (b) (1) through (b) (3) of this subsection. (1939, c. 310, s. 701; 1971, c. 806, s. 1; 1973, c. 476, s. 193; c. 789; 1987, c. 43, s. 4; c. 45, s. 1; 1999-297, s. 3.)

105-317.2. Report on transfers of real property.

To facilitate the accurate appraisal of real property for taxation, the information listed in this section must be included in each deed conveying property. The following information is required:

- (1) The name of each grantor and grantee and the mailing address of each grantor and grantee.
- (2) A statement whether the property includes the primary residence of a grantor.

Failure to comply with this section does not affect the validity of a duly recorded deed. This section does not apply to deeds of trust, deeds of release, or similar instruments. (2009-454, s. 1.)

105-283. Uniform appraisal standards.

All property, real and personal, shall as far as practicable be appraised or valued at its true value in money. When used in this Subchapter, the words "true value" shall be interpreted as meaning market value, that is, the price estimated in terms of money at which the property would change hands between a willing and financially able buyer and a willing seller, neither being under any compulsion to buy or to sell and both having reasonable knowledge of all the uses to which the property is adapted and for which it is capable of being used. For the purposes of this section, the acquisition of an interest in land by an entity having the power of eminent domain with respect to the interest acquired shall not be considered competent evidence of the true value in money of comparable land. (1939, c. 310, s. 500; 1953, c. 970, s. 5; 1955, c. 1100, s. 2; 1959, c. 682; 1967, c. 892, s. 7; 1969, c. 945, s. 1; 1971, c. 806, s. 1; 1973, c. 695, s. 11; 1977, 2nd Sess., c. 1297.)

105-284. Uniform assessment standard.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, all property, real and personal, shall be assessed for taxation at its true value or use value as determined under G.S. 105-283 or G.S. 105-277.6, and taxes levied by all counties and municipalities shall be levied uniformly on assessments determined in accordance with this section.

(b) The assessed value of public service company system property subject to appraisal by the Department of Revenue under G.S. 105-335(b) (1) shall be determined by applying to the allocation of such value to each county a percentage to be established by the Department of Revenue. The percentage to be applied shall be either:

(1) The median ratio established in sales assessment ratio studies of real property conducted by the Department of Revenue in the county in the year the county conducts a reappraisal of real property and in the fourth and seventh years thereafter; or

(2) A weighted average percentage based on the median ratio for real property established by the Department of Revenue as provided in subdivision (1) and a one hundred percent (100%) ratio for personal property. No percentage shall be applied in a year in which the median ratio for real property is ninety percent (90%) or greater.

If the median ratio for real property in any county is below ninety percent (90%) and if the county assessor has provided information satisfactory to the Department of Revenue that the county follows accepted guidelines and practices in the assessment of business personal property, the weighted average percentage shall be applied to public service company property. In calculating the weighted average percentage, the Department shall use the assessed value figures for real and personal property reported by the county to the Local Government Commission for the preceding year. In any county which fails to demonstrate that it follows accepted guidelines and practices, the percentage to be applied shall be the median ratio for real property. The percentage established in a year in which a sales assessment ratio study is conducted shall continue to be applied until another study is conducted by the Department of Revenue.

(c) Notice of the median ratio and the percentage to be applied for each county shall be given by the Department of Revenue to the chairman of the board of commissioners not later than April 15 of the year for which it is to be effective. Notice shall also be given at the same time to the public service companies whose property values are subject to adjustment under this section. Either the county or an affected public service company may challenge the real property ratio or the percentage established by the Department of Revenue by giving notice of exception within 30 days after the mailing of the Department's notice. Upon receipt of such notice of exception, the Department shall arrange a conference with the challenging party or parties to review the matter. Following the conference, the Department shall notify the challenging party or parties of its final determination in the matter. Either party may appeal the Department's determination to the Property Tax Commission by giving notice of appeal within 30 days after the mailing of the Department's decision.

(d) Property that is in a development financing district and that is subject to an agreement entered into pursuant to G.S. 159-108 shall be assessed at its true value or at the minimum value set out in the agreement, whichever is greater.(1939, c. 310, s. 500; 1953, c. 970, s. 5; 1955, c. 1100, s. 2; 1959, c. 682; 1967, c. 892, s. 7; 1969, c. 945, s. 1; 1971, c. 806, s. 1; 1973, c. 695, s. 12; 1985, c. 601, s. 1; 1987 (Reg. Sess., 1988), c. 1052, s. 1; 2003-403, s. 20.)

105-287. Changing appraised value of real property in years in which general reappraisal is not made.

(a) In a year in which a general reappraisal of real property in the county is not made under G.S. 105-286, the property shall be listed at the value assigned when last appraised unless the value is changed in accordance with this section. The assessor shall increase or decrease the appraised value of real property, as determined under G.S. 105-286, to recognize a change in the property's value resulting from one or more of the following reasons:

(1) Correct a clerical or mathematical error.

(2) Correct an appraisal error resulting from a misapplication of the schedules, standards, and rules used in the county's most recent general reappraisal.

(2)(a) Recognize an increase or decrease in the value of the property resulting from a conservation or preservation agreement subject to Article 4 of Chapter 121 of the General Statutes, the Conservation and Historic Preservation Agreements Act.

(2)(b) Recognize an increase or decrease in the value of the property resulting from a physical change to the land or to the improvements on the land, other than a change listed in subsection (b) of this section.

(2)(c) Recognize an increase or decrease in the value of the property resulting from a change in the legally permitted use of the property.

(3) Recognize an increase or decrease in the value of the property resulting from a factor other than one listed in subsection (b).

(b) In a year in which a general reappraisal of real property in the county is not made, the assessor may not increase or decrease the appraised value of real property, as determined under G.S. 105-286, to recognize a change in value caused by:

(1) Normal, physical depreciation of improvements;

(2) Inflation, deflation, or other economic changes affecting the county in general; or

(3) Betterments to the property made by:

a. Repainting buildings or other structures;

- b. Terracing or other methods of soil conservation;
- c. Landscape gardening;
- d. Protecting forests against fire; or
- e. Impounding water on marshland for non-commercial purposes to preserve or enhance the natural habitat of wildlife.

(c) An increase or decrease in the appraised value of real property authorized by this section shall be made in accordance with the schedules, standards, and rules used in the county's most recent general reappraisal. An increase or decrease in appraised value made under this section is effective as of January 1 of the year in which it is made and is not retroactive. The reason for an increase or decrease in appraised value made under this section need not be under the control of or at the request of the owner of the affected property. This section does not modify or restrict the provisions of G.S. 105-312 concerning the appraisal of discovered property.

(d) Notwithstanding subsection (a), if a tract of land has been subdivided into lots and more than five acres of the tract remain unsold by the owner of the tract, the assessor may appraise the unsold portion as land acreage rather than as lots. A tract is considered subdivided into lots when the lots are located on streets laid out and open for travel and the lots have been sold or offered for sale as lots since the last appraisal of the property. (1939, c. 310, ss. 301, 500; 1953, c. 970, s. 5; 1955, c. 901; c. 1100, s. 2; 1959, c. 682; c. 704, s. 2; 1963, c. 414; 1967, c. 892, s. 7; 1969, c. 945, s. 1; 1971, c. 806, s. 1; 1973, c. 695, s. 10; c. 790, s. 2; 1987, c. 655; 1997-226, s. 4; 2001-139, s. 2; 2008-146, s. 1.2.)

^a Source: North Carolina General Assembly, Statutes
North Carolina Machinery Act
<http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/statutes/generalstatutes/html/bychapter/chapter>

North Carolina Department of Revenue Tax Information

According to the North Carolina Department of Revenue, the three main elements of the property tax system in North Carolina are real property, personal property, and motor vehicles. For the purpose of this reassessment manual, we will only be addressing elements pertaining to Real Property taxation.

Real Property Taxation

The Machinery Act (General Statute 105, Subchapter II) provides the framework for the listing, assessing, and appraising of both real and personal property in North Carolina. Under G.S. 105-286, all counties are required to conduct a reappraisal at least every eight (8) years. The majority of the counties conduct their reappraisals on a four-year cycle. During each year at least 11 of the 100 counties are conducting a countywide reappraisal. A county may choose to conduct a reappraisal “in-house” utilizing their own appraisal staff, by hiring an outside reappraisal firm, or by employing consultants to assist their staff appraisers.

During the years that a general reappraisal is not made in the county, G.S. 105-287 is the operative statute for changing any property values in the county. The assessor is limited to certain circumstances in which he may change the value of real property. These include correcting a clerical or mathematical error, or correcting an appraisal, which resulted from a misapplication of the schedules, used the county's last general reappraisal. Also, the assessor may increase or decrease the appraised value of real property, to recognize a change in value caused by factors other than the following: normal physical depreciation of the improvements, economic conditions affecting the county as a whole, or minor improvements to the property such as repainting, landscaping, terracing etc.

Appeal Process

During the year of the reappraisal or any year of the reappraisal cycle, a taxpayer may appeal the appraised value of his property. The taxpayer may appeal any property valuation in the county, so long as the taxpayer owns property in the county.

In many cases, the first step is to contact the tax office informally and seek to resolve the difference without filing a formal appeal. If the appeal cannot be settled informally, the taxpayer may appeal to the local Board of Equalization and Review, which begins its deliberations around the first week in April. The board of county commissioners may comprise the Board of Equalization and Review or the county commissioners may appoint a special board to handle the appeals. This level of the appeal process is more formal, with the taxpayer being allotted a specific amount of time to present his case and the county also having time to present its side. The Board of Equalization and Review may choose to decide the appeal immediately or choose to delay its decision and deliberate further. The taxpayer should receive a copy of this decision in writing.

If the taxpayer is not satisfied with the decision of the local board, he may appeal to the State Board of Equalization and Review, known as the Property Tax Commission. The Commission meets monthly in Raleigh to decide questions on the taxability, situs, value, or any other part of the listing and assessing functions. The Commission is a trial court. Like any trial court, it is required to follow the North Carolina Rules of Evidence. When the taxpayer appeals, the taxpayer has the burden of proof. Individual taxpayers are not required to have an attorney. The Commission will render its decision within a short time, based upon the greater weight of the evidence. Evidence is usually presented as sworn testimony and/or documents. The county has the opportunity to cross-examine any witness. The taxpayer may appeal a decision of the Property Tax Commission to the North Carolina Court of Appeals and the North Carolina Supreme Court, but those bodies may choose to not hear the case as the grounds for appeal are more limited.

Exemptions and Exclusions

Following is the legal text describing that all property is taxable unless made exempt by North Carolina law.

G.S. 105-274. Property subject to taxation.

- a. All property, real and personal, within the jurisdiction of the State shall be subject to taxation unless it is:
 1. Excluded from the tax base by a statute of statewide application enacted under the classification power accorded the General Assembly by Article V, Section 2(2), of the North Carolina Constitution.
 2. Exempted from taxation by the Constitution or by a statute of statewide application enacted under the authority granted the General Assembly by Article V, Section 2(3), of the North Carolina Constitution.
- b. No provision of this Subchapter shall be construed to exempt from taxation any property situated in this State belonging to any foreign corporation unless the context of the provision clearly indicates a legislative intent to grant such an exemption.

Summary

Present Use Value

The Present Use Value tax deferment is designed for those property owners who grow agriculture, horticultural, or forestry products on their land. The county will appraise agriculture, horticulture, and forest land using the 2021 Present Use Value Program Guide and 2021 Use Value Manual Rate Tables, based on their ability to grow crops rather than their market value, provided that the owner qualifies under certain criteria. These criteria include ownership, income ownership, income, size of the tract in actual production and whether the farm is under sound management.

Mass Appraisal Process

Mass Appraisal is the process of valuing a universe of properties as of a given date, in a uniform order, utilizing standard methodology, employing a common reference for data, and allowing for statistical testing.

Tools used for the Mass Appraisal process are: property record cards consisting of map numbers, site addresses, lot and acreage sizes, description of the improvements, age, size, quality, record of ownership, deed information, etc.

Pricing schedules consist of: property class of construction (grade), replacement costs for different types of dwellings, prices for porches, wood decks, extra baths, fireplaces, garages, etc. Also, for commercial, storage buildings, special purpose buildings, industrial buildings, etc.

POLK COUNTY has adopted the following steps in the Mass Appraisal process to insure a quality revaluation.

- Establish a Revaluation office
- Contact local builders and real estate professionals
- Test the sales study and visit established by the last revaluation
- Develop the cost schedules for residential, commercial, and industrial properties. POLK COUNTY utilizes the *Market Derived Cost Approach*. The cost tables are modified to the locality under revaluation by using local sales.

The data collectors/appraisers will visit property, verify the improvement descriptions, measure all dwellings and support structures, photograph the dwelling if so contacted by the County or City, determine the quality (grade of the dwelling), apply the appropriate physical or other form of depreciation to the improvements based on the observed condition of the property. Valuation of the land by the collector/appraiser will be determined from comparable sales. Land values will be determined from comparable land sales. A building site will be valued on any tract that has been improved with a dwelling, commercial structure, etc. The appraiser will determine in each neighborhood a base building site value and adjust the site (+/-) for location, view, access, topography, etc. Excess or residual land will be valued on a per acre basis. Size, location, access, topography, etc. will determine the overall rate per acre. This value is the residual land value after the home site. Also, during the fieldwork the neighborhoods will be delineated. The County will be divided into larger rural neighborhoods, sometimes by natural boundaries or voting districts, etc. These are marked on the main map. Also, within that neighborhood the appraiser will break down the larger neighborhoods into smaller neighborhoods, as the market area so determines. This is compiled on a map by map basis. Therefore, the neighborhood delineation is an ongoing process throughout the entire project until the last maps are worked.

Data Collection Procedures in the Field

The application of standardized methodology in the appraisal of a structure requires work to be performed in three areas: fieldwork, calculation and valuation. The purpose of this sheet is to supply basic, general field instruction.

Introduction:

Fieldwork should be approached with three basic components in mind. Collection or verification of measurements of any improvements, correction of any such measurements and recording information correctly on the field data collection instrument.

Collection or Verification of Construction Data:

This involves two basic techniques. The majority of the data is confirmed by a visual inspection and can be done while walking up to the front door. An appraiser should give the area he or she is studying a broad preview while looking for a parking spot. This provides a good indication of the typical exterior components – roofs, exterior walls, and develops a “feel” for the neighborhood.

As you approach each house check the exterior walls, roof structure, roof cover, look for indications of heating type- i.e. fireplace, compressors, oil drums, etc.

Identify yourself and your purpose, remembering at all times to be polite and respectful.

One approach goes as follows: “Good Morning. My name is John Doe and I am with the Polk County Tax Department. (Display your County identification card), verifying data for the County’s Tax Revaluation Project. I need to ask you a few questions and walk around the outside of your home.”

Usually people are cooperative. Remember your job is solely to collect or verify data, not come up with the assessment value.

These questions can be asked as follows:

“What year was your house constructed?” “Is there a basement under the house and any part finished into livable space?” “What kind of floors do you have?” “How do you heat and cool your house?” “How many bathrooms and bedrooms do you have?” Then, “Thank you very much. Now, all I need to do is take a quick look around the outside, okay?”

Sometimes you will have to take measurements to appraise improvements. If you have to measure the whole house, explain to the owner that you are collecting and verifying the building measurements.

There are three basic steps to this process:

1. Measure each side of structure accurately.
2. Make a diagram placing dimensions (rounded to the nearest foot) beside each line they represent.
3. Label structural variations with appropriate abbreviations (FEP, FSP, FCP, etc.)
Lettering and numbers are to be neatly made with measurements written so as to read from the bottom of the card looking up.

To check for closure:

BASIC RULE: the sums of the lengths of the opposite sides must be equal to each other.

The sum of the top horizontal lines (the back of the house) should equal the sum of the bottom horizontal lines (the front of the house). The sum of the left vertical lines (the left side of the house) should equal the sum of the right vertical lines (the right side of the house) in the same manner.

The following examples depict various types of improvements and how they should be drawn, labeled, and checked for closure.

Standardized Method of Drawing Structures

A uniform method of drawing and labeling structures must be adopted. The following method is to be employed in preparing documents for use by the system.

Orient the drawing so that the front of the structure is towards the bottom of the card. All labeling should be oriented in this same direction.

In drawing structures, it is essential to delineate the auxiliary areas properly so that they can easily be distinguished from the base area.

Familiarity with auxiliary area abbreviations is essential, along with an understanding of the visual indications of these areas. For example: an enclosed porch which may have windows is different from the base, a lower foundation than the base, or different roof cover.

If you are confronted with an exceptionally large property with many sides, a piece of graph paper used in drawing the sketch can be invaluable in preventing errors.

Appraisal Methods

The three approaches to value are:

1. Market Approach (Sales Comparison)
2. Cost Approach
3. Income Approach

The Market Approach to value is derived from analyzing the selling price of properties. Adjustments are made for dissimilarities and similarities compared to the property being assessed. This approach relies on the principle of substitution.

The basic steps in the Market Approach are as follows, according to Property Assessment Valuation (third edition) copyright, 2010:

1. Data collection and verification
2. Analysis of market data to develop units of comparison and select attributes for adjustment
3. Development of reasonable adjustments
4. Application of adjustments to the comparable sales.

The elements of comparison for improvements:

1. Overall quality
2. Architectural attractiveness
3. Age
4. Size (square footage, stories, number of units, number of bedrooms, and baths)
5. Amenities (special-purpose rooms, garage, swimming pool, parking)
6. Functional utility (architecture and appearance, layout, equipment)
7. Accrued depreciation (physical deterioration, maintenance, modernization, including remodeling and additions)

Market Approach

The Market Approach (also called the sales comparison approach) uses analysis of recent comparable sales to value subject properties. The Market Approach is used to estimate property at its “fair market value”. Ergo, the best technique for the valuation of property is abstracting data from actual sales and applying the results to unsold properties. The general formula for the market is:

$$MV=S \pm A$$

Where MV is market value, S is the sales of comparable property, and A is the amount of adjustments.

The sales comparison approach models the behavior of the market by comparing the properties being appraised (subjects) with similar properties that have recently sold (comparable properties). Comparable properties are selected for similarity to the subject property. The sales are then adjusted for their differences from the subject. Finally, a market value for the subject is estimated from the adjusted sales prices of the comparable properties.

Typical adjustments originate from one of the following:

- Paired data set analysis
- Statistical analysis
- Graphic analysis
- Cost-related analysis
- Secondary data analysis

Comparable properties are selected and adjusted to the subject property. Typically, three to five sales, property that has recently sold, are used in this process. The sales comparison approach requires adjustments for differences, such as time, attribute differences, competitiveness in the same market, and other factors.

In the sales comparison approach, appraisers estimate a price per unit. The unit of comparison may be the property as a whole or some smaller measure of the size of the property. Converting the sales price to a unit of measure makes it easier to compare and adjust properties that compete in the same market. The price per unit of comparison is the dependent variable-what is being estimated-in the valuation model. The value of the dependent variable is predicted by the values of the other variables, such as property attributes. The unit of comparison should never be the grounds for selecting comparables. Property attributes should be used instead.

Once the attributes have been selected and the adjustments determined, the appraiser can apply the sales comparison model. The appraiser first describes subject and comparables in a comparative attribute display, then selects and adjustment method and adjusts each comparable to the subject. After adjustments have been made an estimate of value can be determined about the subject property.

Source: The International Association of Assessing Officers, Joseph K. Eckert editor, Property Appraisal and Assessment Administration, 1990, Chicago, International Association of Assessing Officers, p. 153

Cost Approach

First the appraiser estimates the present reproduction cost to construct a duplicate of all the improvements on the subject property. If the improvements would be impossible or impractical to duplicate, the appraiser estimates replacement cost, the cost of constructing improvements with the same functional utility. The appraiser next reduces the estimated present construction cost by the loss in value the subject property has undergone due to depreciation since it was first constructed. The appraiser then adds to the depreciated cost estimate the estimated value of the subject site. The resulting figure is the property's indicated value by the cost approach.

Below is what we require our appraisers to look at when estimating and working with the cost approach:

1. Estimate the value of the site.
2. Compute the area of the dwelling
3. Estimate the reproduction cost of the dwelling
4. Estimate the reproduction cost of any garage, carport or other structure (out buildings)
5. Estimate the amount by which the structures have depreciated
6. Estimate the "as is" value of any other site improvements (Ex: Mobile Homes) and
7. Add site value to the depreciated cost of improvements to find the indicated value.

The appraiser will include a sketch showing a drawing of the perimeter of the subject structure(s), with dimensions given in feet, and spot all out buildings around the subject structure.

Simply stated:

Reproduction or Replacement Cost – Accrued Depreciation + Site Value = Property

Income Approach

The Income Approach can be the most technically complex method of appraisal when applied to large commercial properties. This procedure in appraisal analysis which converts anticipated benefits (dollar income or amenities) to be derived from the ownership of property into a value estimate. The income approach is widely applied in appraising income-producing properties. Anticipated future income and/or reversions are discounted to a present worth figure through the capitalization process.

Market rent is the rental income that a property would most probably command on the open market as indicated by current rentals paid for comparable space. To find market rent, an appraiser must know what rent tenants have paid, and are currently paying, on comparable properties. By comparing present and past performance of properties similar to the subject, the appraiser should be able to determine the subject property's rent potential. By analyzing sales prices of comparable properties, the factor, or gross rent multiplier, that represents the relationship between market rent and market value, can be determined. When the appropriate gross rent multiplier is applied to the rental income the subject property is expected to produce, the result is an estimate of market value.

The steps in this method of applying the income approach are summarized below and explained in this section. The appraiser must:

1. Estimate the subject property's monthly market rent;
2. Calculate gross rent multipliers from recently sold comparable properties that were rented at the time of sale;
3. Based on rent multiplier analysis, derive the appropriate GRM for the subject property; and
4. Estimate market value by multiplying the amount of the monthly market rent by the subject property's GRM

The Gross Rent Multiplier (GRM) technique is proper for appraising single family and small multi-family; apartments and some commercial properties purchased for income purchases.

The basic steps we will use in the Income Approach on commercial property are as follows:

1. Estimate potential gross income
2. Deduct for vacancy and collection loss
3. Add miscellaneous income
4. Determine operating expenses
5. Deduct operating expenses to determine net income before discount, recapture, and taxes
6. Select the proper capitalization rate
7. Determine the appropriate capitalization procedure to be used, and
8. Capitalize the net income into an estimated property value

Capitalize is to convert future income into current value. It involves discounting future income into present value. Capitalization is the mathematical process for converting the net income produced by property into an indication of value.

The process evolves out of the principles of perpetuity and termination. Perpetuity affirms that the net income produced by land will continue for an infinity period of time. Termination affirms that the net income produced by a building (assuming normal repairs and maintenance) will stop after a certain number of years in the future and will cease to have an economic value.

If the income flow produced by a building will terminate in the future, it is reasonable to suggest that the investor in buildings is entitled to the return of his investment as well as a return on his investment. In the capitalization process, this recovery of the investment is referred to as recapture. Theoretically, the recovered capital would be used to replace the present structure when it ceases to have value. In actual practice, however, the investor usually uses the return capital for debt service or for reinvestment in other projects.

Several methods of capitalization are currently employed by appraisers. All the methods recognize that the investor is entitled to both a return on and the recapture of his investment.

Sample of an Income Approach

The method used in assessing rentals is as follows:

Potential Gross Income

- ___% Vacancy and Loss _____
- EFFECTIVE GROSS INCOME
- ___% Expenses _____
- NET OPERATING INCOME

Divide by ___% Capitalization rate _____

VALUE

Polk County Rental Rates

RETAIL/OFFICE \$1.00 to \$150.00 per sq. ft.

INDUSTRIAL \$1.00 to \$15.00 per sq. ft.

VACANCY RATES AND OPERATING EXPENSES WILL BE
DETERMINED BY THE MARKET.

CAPITALIZATION RATES WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE
MARKET. TYPICAL RANGE 4.0% TO 20%. THESE RATES COULD
CHANGE WITH UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES.

HIGHEST AND BEST USE

The term highest and best use is understood to mean that reasonable and most probable use which would most likely produce the highest present worth or that use which will support the highest present value of the property. The determination of highest and best use results from the appraiser's experience, judgment, and analytical skills (that is an opinion).

According to the Dictionary of Real Estate Appraisal, a publication of the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, highest and best use is defined as:

1. The reasonable and probable use that supports the highest present value of vacant land or improved property, as defined, as of the date of the appraisal.
2. The reasonable probable and legal use of land or sites as though vacant, found to be physically possible, appropriately supported, financially feasible and resulting in the highest present land value.
3. The most profitable use.

Implied in this definition is that the determination of highest and best use takes in account the contribution of a specific use to the community and community development goals, as well as, the benefits of the use to individual property owners. Hence, in certain situations the highest and best use of the land may be for parks, greenbelts, preservation, wildlife habitats, and the like. The analysis of highest and best use of any property involves consideration of the following questions:

1. Physical possible: How is the site physically capable of being used? What particular uses are possible, based upon the size, configuration, and terrain of the site?
2. Legally permissible: What are the permitted uses according to zoning regulations, deed restrictions, etc.
3. Financially feasible: Among the feasible uses will produce the highest net return, resulting in the highest present worth to the owner?
4. Maximally productive: Which use among the feasible uses will produce the highest net return, resulting in the highest present worth to the owner?

VALUATION OF LAND

The valuation of land in the mass appraisal process is as follows:

1. The comparable sales approach is the most reliable method
2. Abstraction (allocation or distribution)
3. Anticipated use or development
4. Capitalization of ground rent
5. Land residual capitalization

The majority of the County will be valued on a per acre basis. This will be determined by the Field Appraisers from comparable land sales. Other methods that may be used in the valuation of land are rate per square foot or site value. The field appraiser will determine the most appropriate method from what he/she observes in the neighborhood or market place.

Land Valuation Process

Overview 1

Accurate land Values are crucial to an effective assessment system. They contribute to the accuracy of appraisal of improved parcels and ensure that landowners pay their fair share of taxes. Accurate land values promote well-informed land use decisions by both the public and private sectors. This manual helps promote equity and uniformity to any adjustments that was needed to base land values.

Physically, land may be defined as the surface of the earth together with everything beneath and above. The shape of a parcel is like a three-dimensional pyramid, with its apex at the center of the earth, extending upward through the surface into space. Legally, land is the right to enjoy, use, and dispose of this physical space, subject to the limitations imposed by government. The assessor first identifies, lists, and values all land and improvements thereto. This task requires the use of cadastral maps showing boundaries and other features. Second an accurate inventory of land data, including location, ownership, classification and use, size, shape, and physical characteristics. The assessor analyzes the local market and estimates the value.

There are several methods that can be used to extract and arrive at an assessment. These are:

- Sales Comparison
- Abstraction
- Allocation
- Anticipated Use
- Capitalization of Ground Rents
- Land Residual Capitalization

Sales Comparison

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Subjective elements, intuition, and personal judgment are to be minimized as much as possible.

A scientific methodology should be the objective of every appraiser. Personal judgment, no matter how well formed by experience, does not meet the criteria of the scientific process, which required that every result be verifiable; verifiable independently of the peculiarities and personal idiosyncrasies of an individual.

There are two principle applications of the sales comparison approach in land valuation. The first is the comparative unit method and secondly the base lot method.

The appraiser uses the comparative unit method after a determination of the average or typical unit value. The average value is found by calculating the median or mean sale price per unit. The appraiser uses the base lot method after a base parcel is selected to represent the stratum from a neighborhood sales file. Once the base lot is selected it is used as a benchmark to establish values for individual parcels for that neighborhood.

Abstraction Method

In the next method described we use the ability to subtract the depreciated replacement cost new of the improvement value from the sales price to arrive at the residual land value estimate. The calculated land values supplement the land value database. Sales with newer improvement make it easier to estimate depreciation, which in turn gives a better land value estimate. When using the abstraction method ensure that the correct comparative unit is used. Taking the time to convert the land value estimates to a comparative unit value will enhance uniformity and consistency among parcels in the market.

A question arises, what if there are not a significant number of vacant sales to make a market value assessment. Then there are other established methods the appraiser can choose and with careful research and good judgment a value can be achieved.

Allocation

One method is the Allocation method. The allocation method is also known as the land ratio and improvement values. With this relationship an appraiser can seek comparable areas with sufficient land sales, determine the typical ratio to sales of improved parcels in the subject area. The abstraction method is useful primarily in older established neighborhoods with few vacant land sales. This method can be useful if applied with care and validated to ensure that calculated land and improvement value estimates are consistent with available sale price data.

Anticipated Use or Cost of Development Method

Again, in the absence of sufficient sales, there is another method that can be used to develop a land value for a property. This method is not the preferred method but can project a value based on the principle that the projected improvement must represent the highest and best use of the land. The results based on the principle of surplus productivity, indicates that the price a developer will pay for land in its present undeveloped state and by subtracting the total development cost from the projected sales price of the lots as if developed. The appraiser can calculate the residual land value after the satisfaction of labor, capital, and management has been

met.

When studying Income property, or the ability for a parcel to generate income, all properties have one common appraisal characteristic: the capitalization of income generated by land is an important indication of value. Their value is based on the quantity, quality, and durability of their estimated net income before debt and after expenses is deducted. To arrive at a value for a property based on income some methods can be used.

Capitalization of Ground Rents

Capitalization of ground rents is used best when land rented or leased independently of improvements. This method can be used with farmland or commercial land that is leased on a net basis, where lessee is responsible for property taxes and all other expenses. This is best achieved if the lease is new and current for market conditions.

Land Residual Capitalization

When you apply this method, it is important to understand several things. One that this method assumes that the parcel of land has an improvement on it and that the improvement is relatively new and that it represents the highest and best use of the property. Plus, the improvement has no depreciation. This method also requires some other information.

A net operating income
A building value
A proper discount rate
A recapture rate
And an effective tax rate

When valuing land, a standard unit of comparison is needed to establish an average or typical value for an area or neighborhood. There are several different units of comparison. Each different type of comparison can be used for different property classes. There are typically five different unity types.

Lot or Site
Site/Units Buildable
Acre
Square foot
Front foot
Lot or Site

Lot or site value is used when the market does not indicate a difference in land size. This is typically used in residential subdivisions that are planned or developed in such a way that there is some degree of uniformity to the neighborhood.

Site or Units Buildable

When a parcel of land sells on unit basis, for example an apartment complex, this method of

comparison can be used. Apartment property is typically sold as a unit and such the unit of comparison would be units buildable.

Acre

In general, when the market analysis shows that tracts of land sells for a per acre rate then this unit of comparison is used. Typically, rural tracts of land, and industrial property use this type of comparison since they are sold commonly in larger portions.

Square Foot

This type of comparison is used mostly for commercial property. Since this type of property sells on a square foot basis.

Front Foot

Use a front foot unit of comparison when a property value indicates that the amount of exposure significantly contributes to value. This type of comparison is used typically when a parcel is more desirable and value based on how much frontal exposure there may be. Some examples are commercial and even water front residential property.

1 Source: Property Assessment Valuation, third edition International Association of Assessing Officers, Copyright 2010, 314 W. 10th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105-1616. Pages 167-201.

RESIDENTIAL LAND VALUATION

The valuation of land is based solely on comparable market sales. Lots and home sites of similar size and in the same areas or neighborhoods should be appraised very much the same. Some factors such as size, shape, street, topography and frontage could make a valuation difference. As always in common appraisal methods of our appraisers will always estimate site value, as if vacant.

In localities where there are plenty of lots and land for sale there should be an abundance of sales. With these sales the appraiser will define his area of land values, land tables will be developed for every neighborhood. The tables will be derived from what the typical informed buyer will pay.

The most common form of rural land valuation is by a per acre value. Most all home sites typically require a one-acre site. Some could be smaller with estate type properties consisting of several acres for a site.

Land values do change with economic conditions and historical land values have been increasing. It is our job as appraiser to follow this market and to inquire what buyers are paying for land and or lots.

Land Influence Factors

Topography

This category allows the reviewer's judgment of the degree of difficulty due to poor topography in erecting a suitable improvement on the subject parcel.

Normally if suitable improvement is present on the subject lot, the topography problem has been corrected. Therefore, an improved lot normally should have no allowance for topography. However, a topography influence may need to be applied in significant cases of unimproved lots or tracts where poor topography represents an actual detriment to the presumed utilization of the parcel.

Topography factors include: irregular land contour, poor drainage, potential subsidence, sub-surface rock ledge, potential erosion and flood plain areas.

The following is presented as a guide:

Topography Influence Factors

<i>Condition</i>	<i>Factor</i>
<i>Normal</i>	Problem corrected or not significant 0%
<i>Slight</i>	Problem is a moderate handicap to full utilization of the lot but is correctable. The lot is buildable, but less desirable than typical lots in the area due to topographic problem. 10% - 25%
<i>Severe</i>	Problem is significant but correctable in that it prevents the development of the lot until the topographic problem is corrected. 25% - 75%
<i>Unbuildable</i>	The topography problem is so severe it is not economically feasible to develop the lot. Example: a lot that cannot pass health and safety perk tests. 75% - 90%

Shape / Size

The shape/size factor is normally a negative adjustment to account for loss of value due to highly irregular shape or insufficient size for the presumed utilization of the parcel.

Utilizing the shape/size factor is a review judgement and may apply to all land types. The basis for any factor is a negative adjustment reducing the subject lot value to the amount and degree of land utility applicable for the presumed utilization.

The following is presented as a guide:

Size/Shape Influence Factor Guide

	<i>Condition</i>	<i>Factor</i>
<i>Normal</i>	Shape or size is no significant detriment to the presumed utilization of the parcel.	0%
<i>Minor</i>	The lot is buildable and/or economically usable for the presumed utilization but irregular shape or insufficient size precludes the full utilization of the parcel.	10% - 25%
<i>Major</i>	Irregular shape or insufficient size	25% - 75%

represents a significant handicap
to the presumed utilization and/or
development of the land category
is restricted to a significant under-
utilization of the parcel.

Unbuildable

The shape or size problem is so severe
that it renders the land category unusable
and/or unbuildable for the presumed
utilization. Example: and undersized lot
subject to minimum zoning restrictions
which effectively prevents any economical
utilization.

75% - 90%

Restrictions

A negative land influence adjustment for restrictions is applicable for cases where the property is subject to a legal or physical restriction to its utilization. Typical examples would include:

Utility easements, such as power lines and sewer lines

Zoning or deed restrictions to the property, limiting the utilization to a less than normal use for typical lots in the neighborhood.

Physical barriers to the property (bridges, highway medians, fences or abutment)

The following is presented as a guide.

Restrictions Influence Factor Guide

<i>Normal</i>	No significant restriction to the property.	0%
<i>Minor</i>	A restriction of moderate significance - legal or physical – exists which causes the property to be less desirable than similar lots in the area which are not subject to this restriction but does not	10% - 25%

prevent utilization of the property for the presumed use.

Major

A restriction of major significance - 25% - 75%

legal or physical, exists which causes the property to be restricted to a less than full utilization compared to similar lots in the area, which are not subject to this restriction. Example: power lines bisecting a lot which prevent the building of a dwelling but would be suitable for a garage or secondary structure.

Unbuildable

A restrictive of very severe impact- 75% - 90%

legal or physical, exists which causes the property to be rendered virtually unusable for any significant utilization compared to similar lots in the area which are not subject to this restriction. Example: a lot rendered inaccessible by a highway right-of-way.

Economic Misimprovements

This category is reserved as a reviewer's judgment of the comparative loss of value land (either under-improvement or over-improvement). In essence, this judgement is expressing the appraiser's opinion that the existing structure represents an encumbrance to the full utilization of the land.

The application of a misimprovement factor for residential/agricultural property is possible but very rare. Most instances occur in commercial or industrial situations where market evidence indicates a different economic utilization of the land than the current utilization. It is important to recognize in the application of economic misimprovement factors that the land is presumed to be valued on the bases of typical "highest and best" utilization and the existing structure in non-contributory to this most economical utilization. Obviously, vacant tracts are not encumbered by any structure, and are not subject to economic misimprovement factors. Further, the appraiser should recognize that the economic misimprovement condition is "curable" (i.e., if the structure is removed, the previously applied economic misimprovement factor is normally no longer applicable.)

Typical examples include:

Dwellings in areas converting to commercial development

An old warehouse located in an area where market evidence indicates modern office and complex development are the prevailing trait.

Misimprovement Influence Factor Guide

CONDITION		FACTOR
<i>Normal</i>	The property is unimproved (no	0%

major structures present)
or the existing structure is
consistent with the economical
utilization of the land.

Minor

The land is encumbered with a 25% - 50%
structure that represents an
economic misimprovement, and the
structure has an assigned value of
25% - 50% of the land value at highest
and best use.

Major

The land is encumbered with a 50% - 75%
structure that represents an
economic misimprovement
and the structure has an assigned
value of 50% or more of the
land value at the highest and
best use.

Corner and/or Alley Influence

This category is reserved for the recognized of the enhancement in land value attributable to the potential utilization of a corner lot, over and above the value of an otherwise comparable interior site. The enhancement due to the presence of a rear or side alley is normally common to all lots in a given area or block. Therefore, recommended procedure for enhancement due to alley influence, if any, is to consider this factor in the land rate itself.

The amount of enhancement, if any, to a corner lot must be based on the individual merits of each corner location.

Normally, corner influence is not applicable to residential/agricultural property. Corner influence factors should be applied to only those cases of commercial or industrial property where the corner is an actual enhancement to the land.

The following is presented as a guide:

Corner Influence Factor Guide

<i>Normal</i>	The presence of a corner or alley has no significant enhancement or impact to the property.	0%
<i>Minor</i>	The lot value is moderately enhanced by the presence of corner or alley exposure. Example: Intersection of	+10% - 25%

two secondary streets or a major
arterial street and a secondary street.

Major

The lot value is significantly enhanced +25% - 100%
by the presence of corner or alley
exposure. Example: the intersection
of two major arterial streets.

View Influence

This factor is normally a positive adjustment for lots or parcels where the land value is significantly enhanced by the presence of a scenic or waterfront view when compared to similar lots in the area where no significant view is present. This factor also applies to golf course lots.

It is highly recommended that the appraiser due caution in the application of view influence. It is useful to remember that while the subject may have an appealing view, if this condition is common to most parcels in the area, then comparatively there is probably no real view enhancement. The appraiser should also consider the permanency of the view (i.e., the probability of potential obstruction).

The following is presented as a guide:

View Influence Factor Guide

<i>Normal</i>	The view is considered common to the area, and market evidence indicates no actual value enhancement exists.	0%
<i>Minor</i>	The subject property has a moderate enhancement due to an appealing view and market evidence supports value enhancement.	+10% - 100%

<i>Major</i>	The subject property has a significant enhancement due to an appealing view. Further, the view enhancement is not common to similar lots in the area and there is little or no potential for obstruction of the view by other parcels.	+100% - 500%
<i>Negative</i>	For properties with less than normal or typical views, the appraiser should apply negative factors to the affected properties as indicated by market analysis and evidence.	-10% - 100%

Polk County

Land Value Range

<u>Residential</u>			
Acreage	0	-	1,000,000 per acre

<u>Commercial</u>			
Sq. Foot	.50	-	28.00 per sq. ft.

<u>Industrial</u>			
Sq. Foot	.50	-	12.00 per sq. ft.

The above range of values were gathered from property transactions within the County of Polk. Location, topography, and other factors will determine where an individual's property falls within the range.

Commercial Land Valuation

This land valuation process generally follows the same procedure as the residential valuation. One difference needs to be noted is in the units of levy. The accepted units of comparison here will be the square foot method, front foot method or the per acre method. It is up to the appraiser to decide the appropriate method for each market area.

Valuation of Residential Buildings

ONETax Software Residential Estimator

This system's market-based valuations are supported by the cost approach and values all components on current cost information adjusted for the market, from heating and cooling systems to exterior walls, roofing, foundations, etc. This system also allows for you to depreciate.

Adjustments of + or – can also be implemented if the appraiser feels they need to raise or lower a dwellings value.

Using this estimator system, items keyed are as follows:

- Residence type (ex. single family residence)
- Style (ex. split level)
- Total Floor Area (ex. 2258 square feet)
- Number of Units (ex. 01)
- Grade or Quality (ex. average/good)
- Condition (ex. average)
- Building Depreciation
 1. Marshall & Swift Tables adjusted to the local market
 2. Combined physical and functional
 3. Separate physical and functional
 4. Age/Life (straight line)
 5. Additional depreciation
 6. Exterior depreciation

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
E	LOW
D	FAIR
C	AVERAGE
B	GOOD
A & AA	VERY GOOD
AAA	EXCELLANT

During the field inspection, the appraiser will have to make a judgment call to determine the individual dwelling grade.

Range per S.F. of the base rate for dwellings in Polk will be from:

\$40.00 to \$117.00

This base rate is then adjusted for factors such as size, shape, condition, quality, location, roof cover, exterior siding, etc. ONETax software will calculate these adjustments and determine the final rate. The base rate tables are located in the ONETax table element section of the software and on page 86 of this document. The tables are using the *Market Derived Cost Approach* and verified and tested against qualified sales on a neighborhood by neighborhood basis.

Single Family Residential Quality Grade Adjustments Range:

50% to 395%

Grade “AAA” Dwelling

Establishments of excellent/superior quality are generally found on estate-type properties and in some residential developments. They are designed by well-known architects for individual owners and built by reputable contractors specializing in high quality mansion-type construction.

This class of dwelling contains top quality materials and workmanship and encompasses the mansion-type, very expensive residences. Very narrate attention has been given to interior and exterior refinements. Cabinets, paneling, molding, and trim are of the best available materials, and on many occasions, some imported materials are used.

Exterior front elevations are elaborate with superior fenestration and customized ornamental features.

Grade “A & AA” Dwelling

Residences of very good quality are usually individually designed and are characterized by the high quality of workmanship, finishes and appointments, and considerable attention to detail. These homes are designed by well-known architects for individual owners and built by reputable contractors specializing in quality construction. Although this class of home includes high quality materials and workmanship, it does not encompass the mansion-type residences. Considerable attention has been given to interior refinement and detail. Cabinets, paneling, molding, and trim are usually well finished hardwood. Care has been taken in the selection of high quality fixtures and built-in appliances.

Exterior front elevations are attractive with good fenestration and custom ornamental features.

Grade “B” Dwelling

Homes of good quality are typical of those built in high quality tracts or developments and are frequently individually designed. Good quality standard materials are used throughout. Attention has been given to interior refinement and detail. Exteriors have good fenestration with some custom ornamentation.

Architectural design is attractive with attention given to refinement and detail. Interiors are well finished, usually having some good quality wallpaper, hardwood paneling and selected fixtures.

Exterior front elevations frequently have an appealing combination of ornamental materials and other refinement.

Grade “C” Dwelling

This is the average quality dwelling which includes the majority of homes. These dwellings are frequently mass-produced and exceed the minimum construction requirements. The interior craftsmanship includes stock items such as cabinets, doors, plumbing, etc. The roof slope is usually 5 and 12 or less with moderate eaves. The interior is generally drywall taped and painted.

Grade “D” Dwelling

This is a fair quality dwelling, frequently mass-produced. Low cost, however, will meet minimum construction requirements. The designs are usually rectangular, few doors and windows and typically a gable roof.

Grade “E” Dwelling

Homes of low quality are of low cost construction and meet minimum building code qualifications. Interior and exterior finishes are plain, modest and inexpensive with little attention given to detail.

Architectural design is primarily concerned with function, not appearance. Some summer cabins would be indicative of an “E” grade.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE

EXCELLENT QUALITY

Residences of Excellent Quality are individually designed and are characterized by the very finest quality and workmanship, finishes and appointments, and meticulous attention to detail. Residences of this quality level have the finest quality material and workmanship, and each is unique in its design.

FOUNDATION	A continuous reinforced concrete perimeter.
FRAME	A partial steel frame is included to allow for long spans in great rooms, living rooms etc.
FLOOR STRUCTURE	Wood or steel floor joists and sub-floor on first and upper floors.
FLOOR INSULATION	Yes
FLOOR COVER	The finest quality carpet or hardwoods, terrazzo, ceramic or quarry tile, marble and granite floor tile are used.
EXTERIOR WALL	Fenestration is of finest custom designs, and the entry and sash arc of the highest quality. The finest custom ornamentation and trim above windows, doors, roofline, etc. are displayed. Select brick, cut stone, glass block, local stone, marble, etc. is used throughout the exterior walls. Extra heavy framed exterior walls are 2 x 6 or 2 x 8 or appropriate steel stud construction with some pocket doors.
ROOF	A roof of the finest quality custom design, with many ridges and valleys. Heavy wood rafters and sheathing. The finest clay tile, composition shingle, built up rock, concrete tile, slate, wood shakes/shingle, roofing. Very good flashing, gutters and downspouts, along with the best custom designed skylights. Large roof overhangs.
INTERIOR FINISH	Plaster and drywall, with the finest grades of paper or vinyl wall covering, hardwood paneling or the finest quality custom ceramic, marble, granite and glass tiles. Built-in book shelving and the finest custom cabinets. All kitchen cabinetry will be the finest quality. Drawer and door hardware will be finest quality grades. Kitchen counters and sink tops will be of the finest grades of solid plastics, the finest with some degree of intricacy in their design and/or finish. Custom ceramic tiles, the finest marble or granite and woods.
HEATING/COOLING	Heating/Cooling system with multiple controls.
ENERGY PACKAGE	The energy package in the basic residence cost includes those insulation, framing and glazing items typically found in a moderate climate.
ELECTRICAL	Numerous well positioned outlets and finest quality fixtures throughout.
PLUMBING	Finest quality white or colored plumbing fixtures.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE

GOOD QUALITY

Residences of Good Quality are usually individually designed and are characterized by the high quality of workmanship, finishes and appointments and the considerable attention to detail. Residences at this quality level are inclusive of high quality material and workmanship, and are somewhat unique in their design.

FOUNDATION	A continuous, reinforced concrete perimeter and interior bearing wall foundation.
FLOOR STRUCTURE	Wood or steel floor joists and sub-floor on first and upper floors. Concrete slab on grade.
FLOOR INSULATION	Yes
FLOOR COVER	High-quality carpet or hardwood (parquet or plank), terrazzo, and vinyl, ceramic or quarry tile.
EXTERIOR WALL	Fenestration is well designed with high-quality sash. Custom ornamentation and trim, select brick, cut stone, high quality siding, etc. are used.
ROOF	Heavy wood rafters and sheathing, or excellent quality roof cover.
INTERIOR FINISH	Interior walls are drywall with high grade paper or vinyl wall covering, hardwood paneling or ceramic tile. Built-in book shelving and ample cabinets. Ceramic tile, marble or highest-quality laminated plastic counter tops and splash. Ceilings are mostly painted drywall with molding and coving details and other ornamentation with some degree of intricacy in their design and/or finish. Raised panel hardwood veneer or enameled doors with good-quality hardware. Spacious walk-in closets or wardrobes with many built-in features. Large linen storage closets and pantry are fully shelved. Base interior wall height is 10'.
HEATING/COOLING	Forced-air furnace with air conditioning.
ENERGY PACKAGE	The energy package in the basic residence cost includes those insulation, framing and glazing items typically found in a moderate climate.
ELECTRICAL	Many well-positioned outlets and high-quality fixtures throughout. Large luminous fixtures in kitchen, bath and dressing areas.
PLUMBING	An adequate amount of high-quality white or colored plumbing fixtures.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE

ABOVE AVERAGE QUALITY

Residences of Above Average Quality may be mass produced in above-average residential developments or built for an individual owner. Above Average quality standard materials are used throughout. These houses generally exceed the minimum construction requirements of building codes. Some attention is given to architectural design in both refinements and detail. Interiors are well finished, usually having some good-quality wallpaper or wood paneling. Exteriors have good fenestration with ornamental materials or other refinements. From the exterior, they frequently copy the above average custom residence, but usually with less detail and workmanship.

FOUNDATION	A continuous, reinforced concrete perimeter foundation and foundation or piers under interior bearing wall.
FLOOR STRUCTURE	Wood or steel floor joists and sub-floor on first and upper floors. Concrete slab on grade.
FLOOR INSULATION	None
FLOOR COVER	Carpet, hardwood, sheet vinyl or vinyl tile floor.
EXTERIOR WALL	Good fenestration using good-quality sash. Some ornamental trim.
ROOF	Wood rafters and sheathing with hips and valleys. Good quality roof cover.
INTERIOR FINISH	Interior walls are drywall with some good-quality wallpaper or wood paneling. Kitchen and baths have enamel-painted walls and ceilings. An ample amount of cabinetry. Countertops and splash are laminated plastic, ceramic tile or simulated marble. Ceilings are painted drywall. Doors are good quality, hollow core with attractive hardware. Walk-in closets or large sliding door wardrobes. Ample linen and storage closets. Workmanship throughout is of good quality. Base interior wall height is 8' or higher.
HEATING/COOLING	Forced-air furnace with air conditioning.
ENERGY PACKAGE	The energy package in the basic residence cost includes those insulation, framing and glazing items typically found in a moderate climate.
ELECTRICAL	A good amount of convenient outlets. Luminous fixtures in kitchen and bath areas.
PLUMBING	An adequate amount of good-quality, white or colored plumbing fixtures.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE

AVERAGE QUALITY

Residences of Average Quality typically will be encountered more frequently than residences of other qualities. They are usually mass produced and will meet or exceed the minimum construction requirements of building codes. By most standards, the quality of materials and workmanship is acceptable, but does not reflect custom craftsmanship. Cabinets, doors, hardware and plumbing are usually stock items. Architectural design will include ample fenestration and some ornamentation on the front elevation.

FOUNDATION	A continuous concrete perimeter foundation and foundation or piers under interior bearing wall.
FLOOR STRUCTURE	Wood structure and sub-floor on first and upper floors. Concrete slab on grade.
FLOOR INSULATION	None
FLOOR COVER	Carpet, hardwood, vinyl composition tile or sheet vinyl.
EXTERIOR WALL	Standard aluminum sash or wood sash is typical of the fenestration at Average Quality.
ROOF	Rafters or prefabricated trusses with exterior-grade ply-wood or wood sheathing with a medium-weight composition shingle or a built-up with small rock roof cover.
INTERIOR FINISH	Interior walls are drywall with an allowance for some inexpensive wallpaper or paneling. Kitchen and baths have enamel painted walls and ceilings. Pre-finished plywood cabinets in the kitchen with a small pullman or vanity in bath areas. Countertops are laminated plastic or ceramic tile. Doors are medium grade, hollow core with standard-grade hardware. Baseboard and casing are stock. An adequate amount of closet space. Workmanship throughout is of average quality. Base interior wall height is 8' or higher.
HEATING/COOLING	Forced-air furnace with air condition
ENERGY PACKAGE	The energy package in the basic residence cost includes those insulation, framing and glazing items typically found in a moderate climate.
ELECTRICAL	An adequate number of outlets with some luminous fixtures in kitchen and bath areas.
PLUMBING	An adequate number of white or colored plumbing fixtures.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE

BELOW AVERAGE QUALITY

Residences of Below Average Quality are frequently mass produced. Low-cost production is a primary consideration. Although overall quality of materials and workmanship is below average, these houses are not substandard and will meet minimum construction requirements of building codes. Interior finish is plain with few refinements. Design is from stock plans, and ornamentation is usually limited to the front elevation.

FOUNDATION	—————	A continuous concrete perimeter foundation and piers.
FLOOR STRUCTURE	—————	Wood structure and sub-floor on first and upper floors. Concrete slab on grade.
FLOOR INSULATION	—————	None
FLOOR COVER	—————	Carpet, asphalt or vinyl composition tile used.
EXTERIOR WALL	—————	Moderate fenestration with inexpensive sash is typical. Front elevation may have inexpensive trim.
ROOF	—————	Rafters or prefabricated trusses with plywood or other inexpensive sheathing with a lightweight composition shingle or a built-up with small rock roof cover. Roof slope is usually less than 4 in 12 with a minimal ease.
INTERIOR FINISH	—————	Interior walls are taped and painted drywall with enamel painted walls and ceilings in kitchen and baths. Inexpensive stock cabinets of paint-grade wood or vinyl veneer in kitchen with a small pullman or vanity in bath. Countertops are laminated plastic with a small splash. Stock, hollow core doors with inexpensive hardware. Minimal amount of closet space. Base interior wall height is 8' or higher.
HEATING/COOLING	—————	Floor, wall furnace
ENERGY PACKAGE	—————	None
ELECTRICAL	—————	A minimum number of outlets and lighting fixtures.
PLUMBING	—————	An adequate amount of white plumbing fixtures.

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE

MINIMUM QUALITY

Residences of Minimum Quality are of low-cost construction and meet minimum building code requirements. Interior and exterior finishes are plain and inexpensive with little or no attention given to detail. Architectural design is concerned with function, not appearance. The residence is a substandard dwelling, usually built prior to code enforcement.

FOUNDATION	—————	A continuous concrete perimeter foundation and piers.
FLOOR STRUCTURE	—————	Wood structure and sub-floor on first and upper floors. Concrete slab on grade.
FLOOR INSULATION	—————	None
FLOOR COVER	—————	Inexpensive carpet, and asphalt or vinyl composition tile.
EXTERIOR WALL	—————	Minimum fenestration with inexpensive sash with little or no trim.
ROOF	—————	Rafters or prefabricated trusses with plywood or other inexpensive sheathing with a lightweight composition shingle or a built-up with gravel roof cover.
INTERIOR FINISH	—————	Walls are drywall. Kitchen and baths may have enamel painted ceiling and walls. Cabinets are paint grade wood or vinyl veneer with low-cost laminated plastic countertops. Doors are hollow core with low cost hardware. Minimal amount of closet space. Base interior wall height is 8' or higher.
HEATING/COOLING	—————	None
ENERGY PACKAGE	—————	None
ELECTRICAL	—————	A minimum number of outlets and low-cost lighting fixtures.
PLUMBING	—————	An adequate amount of white plumbing fixtures.

PERCENTAGE OF COMPLETION CHART

	Percent Complete	
Foundation	_____	10
Subfloor	_____	05
Framing	_____	10
Roof	_____	05
Windows	_____	04
Plumbing – roughed	_____	03
Electrical – roughed	_____	03
Heating – roughed	_____	03
Exterior Walls – covered	_____	10
Exterior Walls – trimmed/painted	_____	03
Insulation Installed	_____	03
Interior Walls – covered	_____	10
Interior Trim & Cabinets	_____	07
Interior Painting	_____	03
Plumbing – finished	_____	03
Electrical – finished	_____	03
Heating – finished	_____	03
Doors – exterior	_____	02
Doors – interior	_____	02
Floors – covered/finished	_____	08
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Total	_____	100



This chart is to be used as a guide to determine a buildings percentage of completion subject to the appraiser's best judgement.

Valuation of Outbuildings/Other Features

Polk County will utilize the Marshall & Swift Cost Tables adjusted to the market for valuation of outbuildings/other features. The field appraiser will be responsible for the correct identification of the outbuildings as for type, construction quality, and estimation of the effective year of construction. Steps in valuation are as follows:

1. Measure the structure
2. Photograph the structure
3. Identify the structure (ex. residential detached garage)
4. Estimate the year built and the effective year
5. Grade the structure for quality (A, B, C, etc.)

The rates for various outbuildings/other features can be found in Outbuildings/Other Summary cost tables in the OneTax . If there is no description of the building listed in cost tables the Assessor will use the 2020 Marshall and Swift Cost Tables to determine the replacement cost basis.

Sample of Outbuildings

BARN





GARAGES



Equestrian Barns



CARPORTS



EQUIPMENT SHEDS



RESIDENTIAL UTILITY SHEDS



Valuation of Commercial/Industrial Properties

The County of Polk has purchased the Marshall & Swift Cost Estimator to use with the ONETax Appraisal Software. Within these tables are the prices per square foot for various types of Commercial and Industrial properties. The price per square foot is determined by size, perimeter, height, construction type, use, age, condition, etc.

The tables are adjusted using the *Market Derived Cost Approach* and verified and tested against qualified sales on a neighborhood by neighborhood basis.

Polk County will utilize the ONETax Appraisal Software in the valuation of Commercial/Industrial. The field appraiser will be responsible for the correct identification of the building being appraised. Polk County will value the properties based on Occupancy Codes (Restaurant Auto Service, etc.). Steps in data collection and valuation are as follows:

1. List and measure the structure, label construction class (CB, metal, etc.)
2. Establish how the property is being used (use code)
3. Photograph the structure
4. Grade for quality, measure wall height, and perimeter
5. Estimate the year built and effective age

Commercial Quality Grade Adjustments

CAAA+	300%
CAAA	280%
CAAA-	250%
CAA+	230%
CAA	200%
CAA-	175%
CA+	165%
CA	155%
CA-	140%
CB+	135%
CB	125%
CB-	115%
CC+	110%
CC	100%
CC-	90%
CD+	85%
CD	80%
CD-	75%
CE+	70%
CE	65%
CE-	60%

The rates for various commercial building can be found in the cost tables.

The Valuation of Campground & Mobile Home Sites

Campgrounds and mobile homes parks will be valued as follows:

The land value will be determined on a per acre basis from comparable land sales within the County. Second, the pads or hookups will be valued along with any pertinent structures belonging to the park. The pad values are based on whether they are a full hookup (water, electric, sewer), partial or primitive.

Mobile Home Parks	Range \$4,000 to \$10,000 per pad/hookup
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RV Campground:	Range \$500 to \$8,000 per pad/hookup
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Mobile Home Park

- E: Narrow, unpaved roads
 High density (Older Park)
 No recreation hall or other facilities
 Generally unattractive appearance
- D: Narrow, unpaved roads or broken pavement
 High density (Older Park)
 Deteriorated recreation hall and/or laundry
 No curbing, no street lights
 Many mobile homes without skirts
 Little effort to maintain attractive appearance
- C: Above average location and design
 Streets paved and wide enough for cars to pass
 Curbing and sidewalks
 Streets with street lights and street signs
 Above Average recreation hall, shuffle board, swimming pool
 Attractive entrance and above general appearance
 (Lawns cut and edged, bushes trimmed)
- B. Good location and design
 Streets paved and wide enough for cars to pass
 Curbing and sidewalks
 Streets with street lights and street signs
 Good recreation hall, shuffle board, swimming pool
 Attractive entrance and good general appearance
 (Lawns cut and edged, bushes trimmed)

Appraisal of Cemeteries for Tax Purposes

In appraising cemeteries, the first concern is determining the total number of acres in ownership. The total should appear in the legal description and in the total acreage of the land lines. In other words, just because lots are sold off and become exempt, you still need to account for all the acreage within that tract.

Cemeteries are generally divided into four categories:

1. Developed acreage
2. Undeveloped acreage (future gravesites)
3. Waste land acreage (roads, gully, etc.)
4. Deeded acreage (Exempt deeded lots)

These four categories should always total to the original acreage in the ownership or legal description.

Golf Courses

Prices include normal grading, sprinkler systems, service roads and cart paths and architect fees.

Class I – Minimum Quality: (Typical Features)	\$26,600 per hole 80 to 100 acres 5,600 yards to 6,000 yards open terrain no bunkers gravel cart paths
Class II – Semi-Private and Municipal Clubs: (Typical Features)	\$42,560 per hole 6,000 yards to 6,400 yards few bunkers few trees green sprinkled paved cart paths
Class III – Private Club: (Typical Features)	\$61,600 per hole 120 to 160 acres 6,400 yards to 6,700 yards bunkered at most greens some trees driving range sprinklers manual or automatic paved cart paths
Class IV – Championship: (Typical Features)	\$78,400 per hole 160 to 200 acres 6,700 to 7,200 yards long bunkered greens and fairways large trees, greens and fairways driving range name architect automatic sprinklers for greens and fairways paved cart paths Bridges or Tunnels Lakes or Ponds

This schedule represents replacement cost adjusted for market. Depreciation may be used to consider economic factors.

Real & Personal Property Classifications

DESCRIPTION	REAL	PERSONAL
ACOUSTICAL FIRE RESISTANT DRAPES & CURTAINS		XX
AEROBIC FLOORS		XX
AIR CONDITIONING-BUILDING AIR CONDITIONING, INCLUDING REFRIGERATION EQUIPMENT, FOR COMFORT OF OCCUPANTS, BUILT-IN, CENTRAL & WALL UNITS	XX	
AIR CONDITIONING – WINDOW UNITS, PACKAGE UNITS, INCLUDING E.G., THAT USED IN DATA PROCESSING ROOM AND IN MANUFACTURING PROCESSING		XX
AIRPLANES		XX
ALARM SYSTEMS (SECURITY OF FIRE) & WIRING		XX
APARTMENTS – CARPETING INSTALLED & ATTACHED	XX	
APARTMENTS-BUILT-IN (RANGES, DISHWASHER, DISPOSAL) UNLESS INCOME APPROACH IS USED)		XX
ASPHALT PLANTS – BATCH, MIX, ETC. – MOVABLE		XX
ATM-ALL EQUIP. & SELF STANDING BOOTHS		XX
AUTO EXHAUST SYSTEMS FOR BUILDING	XX	
AUTO EXHAUST SYSTEMS FOR EQUIPMENT		XX
AWNINGS		XX
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BALERS (PAPER, CARBOARD, ETC.)		XX
BANKS – CANOPY, DRIVE-IN	XX	
BANKS – DRIVE-IN WINDOWS		XX
BANK TELLER COUNTERS – SERVICE AREA & RELATED		XX
BANKS – NIGHT DEPOSIT CHUTES		XX
BANKS – PNEUMATIC CHUTES		XX
BANKS – TELLER LOCKERS – MOVABLE OR BUILT-IN		XX

BANKS – SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES		XX
COUNTERS/RECEPTION DESKS – MOVEABLE OR BUILT-IN		XX
CRANEWAYS		XX
DAIRY PROCESSING PLANTS – ALL PROCESS ITEMS, BINS, TANKS		XX
DANCE FLOORS		XX
DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT – ALL ITMES		XX
DELI EQUIPMENT		XX
DESK – ALL		XX
DIAGNOSTIC CENTER EQUIPMENT – MOVEABLE OR BUILT IN		XX
DISPLAY CASES-MOVEABLE OR BUILT-IN		XX
DOCK LEVELERS		XX
DOORS	XX	
DOORS-AUTOMATIC OPENERS		XX
DRAPES AND CURTAINS, BLINDS, ETC.		XX
DRAWINGS		XX
DRINKING FOUNTAINS		XX
DRIVE-THRU WINDOWS-ALL (EXCEPT BANKS)		XX
DRYING SYSTEMS-PROCESS OR PRODUCT		XX
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DRYING SYSTEMS-SPECIAL HEATING IN PROCESS SYSTEM		XX
DUMB WAITERS		XX
DUMPSTERS		XX
DUST CATCHERS, CONTROL SYSTEMS, ETC		XX
ELECTRONIC CONTROL SYSTEMS		XX
ELEVATORS	XX	
ESCALATORS	XX	
EXTERIOR STRUCTURES FOR KILNS	XX	

FANS-FREESTANDING		XX
FARM EQUIPMENT-ALL		XX
FENCING – INSIDE		XX
FENCING-OUTSIDE	XX	
FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS		XX
FITNESS CENTER EQUIPMENT- (ALL)		XX
FLAGPOLE		XX
FOUNDATIONS FOR MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT		XX
FREIGHT CHARGES		XX
FUELS-NOT FOR SALE (LIST AS SUPPLIES)		XX
FURNACES-STEEL MILL PROCESS, ETC, FOUNDRIES		XX
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES		XX
GAZEBOS	XX	
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GENERATORS		XX
GOLF COURSE AND IMPROVEMENTS (DRAINAGE/ IRRIGATION)	XX	
GRAIN BINS – NOT PERMANENTLY ATTACHED		XX
GRAIN ELEVATORS		XX
GREENHOUSE BENCHES, HEATING SYSTEM, ETC., IRRIGATION, VENTILATION		XX
GREENHOUSES-MOVABLE		XX
GREENHOUSE-STRUCTURE IF PER. AFFIXED	XX	
HEATING SYSTEMS, PROCESS		XX
HOPPERS – METAL BIN TYPE		XX
HOSPITAL SYSTEMS-OXYGEN, PUBLIC ADDRESS, EMERGENCY ELECTRIC, CLOSED TV CALL SYSTEM AUTOCLAVE, ETC.		XX
HOT AIR BALLOONS		XX
HOTEL/MOTEL TELEVISIONS & WIRING, FURNITURE, ETC		XX
HUMIDIFIERS-PROCESS		XX

INCINERATORS-EQUIPMENT AND/OR MOVEABLE		XX
INDUSTRIAL PIPING-PROCESS		XX
INSTALLATION COST		XX
INVENTORIES (EXEMPT)		XX
IRRIGATION EQUIPMENT		XX
KILN HEATING SYSTEM		XX
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KLINS-METAL TUNNEL OR MOVEABLE		XX
LABORATORY EQUIPMENT		XX
LAGOONS/SEELING PONDS	XX	
LAUNDRY BINS		XX
LAW AND PROFESSIONAL LIBRARIES		XX
LEASED EQUIPMENT-LESSOR OR LESSEE POSSESSION		XX
LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS (LIST IN DETAIL (YEARLY)		XX
LIFTS-OTHER THAN ELEVATOR		XX
LIGHTING-PORTABLE/MOVEABLE/SPECIAL		XX
LIGHTING-YARD LIGHTING, POLE		XX
LIVESTOCK (EXEMPT)		
LP STORAGE TANKS		XX
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT		XX
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT		XX
MEDICAL HANDLING – MILKING, COOLING PIPING STORAGE		XX
MINERAL RIGHTS	XX	
MIRRORS (OTHER THAN BATHROOM)		XX
MOBILE HOME PARKS-POLES & LIGHTING		XX
MOBILE HOME PARKS-LAUNDRY BLDG, BATH HOUSES, SWIMMING POOLS, SEWER SYSTEMS, WATER PIPING, WALKS, DRIVEWAYS AND PARK AREAS	XX	

MOBILE HOMES-ALL SINGLE WIDE & DOUBLE WIDES ON LAND NOT OWNED BY MOBILE HOME OWNER See General Statue G.S. 105-273(13)		XX
MOBILE HOMES-ALL SINGLE WIDE AND DOUBLEWIDES ON LAND OWNED BY MOBILE HOME OWNER See General Statue G.S. 105-273(13)	XX	
MONITORING SYSTEMS BUILDING OR EQUIPMENT		XX
NEWSPAPER STANDS		XX
NIGHT DEOSITORY		XX
OFFICE EQUIPMPT-ALL		XX
OFFICE SUPPLIES (LIST AS SUPPLIES)		XX
OIL COMPANY EQUIPMENT-PUMPS, SUPPLIES, ETC.		XX
OIL STORAGE AND TANKS		XX
Ovens-PROCESSING/MANUFACTURING		XX
OVERHEAD CONVEYOR SYSTEM		XX
OVERHEAD DOORS	XX	
OVERHEAD WALKWAYS	XX	
PACKAGE AND LABELING EQUIPMENT		XX
PAGING SYSTEMS		XX
PAINT SPRAY BOOTHS		XX
PAINTING-NO ADDED VALUE (MAINTENANCE)		
PARKING LOT LIGHTING		XX
PARTITIONS		XX
PAVING	XX	
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PHOTO BOOTHS		XX
PIPING SYSTEMS-PROCESS PIPING	XX	
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT-ALL	XX	
PNEUMATIC TUBE SYSTEMS		XX

PORTABLE BUILDINGS		XX
POULTRY HOUSE EQUIPMENT-WATER & FEEDING EQUIPMENT, CURTAINS, ETC.		XX
POWER GENERATOR SYSTEMS (AUXILIARY, EMERGENCY, ETC.)		XX
POWER TRANSFORMERS-EQUIPMENT		XX
PROCESSING SILOS		XX
PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEMS (INTERCOM, MUSIC OWNED)		XX
PUMPS-GASOLINE, ETC		XX
RAILROAD SIDING (OTHER THAN RAILROAD OWNER		XX
REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS-COMPRESSORS, ETC.		XX
REPAIRS-BULDING	XX	
REPAIRS-EQUIPMENT		XX
RESTAURANT FURNITURE (INCL. ATTACHED TO FLOOR OR BLDG.)		XX
RESTAURANT/KITCHEN EQUIP. VENT HOODS, SINKS, ETC. (COMMERCIAL)		XX
RETURNABLE CONTAINERS		XX
ROCK CRUSHERS		XX
ROLL-UP DOORS (INSIDE WALL)		
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ROLL-UP DOORS (OUTSIDE WALL)	XX	
ROOFING	XX	
ROOM DIVIDERS/PARTITIONS-MOVEABLE OR BUILT IN		XX
ROOMS, SELF-CONTAINED OR SPECIAL PURPOSE (WALL/CEILING/FLOOR)		XX
SAFES (WALL OR SELF-STANDING)		XX
SALES/USE TAX		XX
SATELLITE DISHES (ALL WIRING & INSTALLATION TO TV AND EQUIPMENT)		XX
SCALE HOUSE (UNLESS MOVEABLE)	XX	

SCALES		XX
SEATS-THEATER		XX
SECURITY SYSTEMS		XX
SERVICE STATION EQUIPMENT-PUMPS, TANS, LIFTS, & RELATED		XX
SEWER SYSTEMS	XX	
SHELVING		XX
SIGNS ALL TYPES INCLUDING ATTACHED TO BUILDING		XX
SILOS-FARM ONLY	XX	
SINKS-BATHROOM	XX	
SINKS-KITCHEN AREA		XX
SKATING RINKS-ROLLER	XX	
SOFTWARE-CAPITALIZED		XX
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SOUND SYSTEMS & PROJECTION EQUIPMENT		XX
SPARE PARTS-LIST AS SU-PPLIES (FOR EQUIPMENT)		XX
SPEAKERS-BUILT-IN OR FREESTANDING		XX
SPRAY BOOTHS		
SPRINKLER SYSTEM-ATTACHED TO PRODUCT STORAGE RACKS		XX
SPRINKLER SYSTEM-BUILDING	XX	
STORE FRONTS		XX
SUPPLIES (OFFICE & OTHER)		XX
SWIMMING POOLS (IN GROUND, INDOOR)	XX	
SWIMMING POOLS-ABOVE GROUND, PRE-FABRICATED		XX

SWITCHBOARD (MOTEL, ETC.-WHEN NOT OWNED BY UTILITY)		XX
TANKS (ALL-ABOVE AND BELOW GROUND)		XX
TELEPHONE SYSTEMS & WIRING		XX
THEATER SCREENS-INDOOR, MOVIE SCREENS, SEATS & EQUIPMENT		XX
THEATER SCREENS-OUTDOOR, MOVIE SCREENS	XX	
THEATERS OUTDOOR-DRIVE IN-SPEAKERS, POSTS & U.G. WIRING		XX
THEATER SEATS		XX
THEATER, OUTDOOR-CONCESSION STANDS AND OTHER PERMANENT BUILDINGS	XX	
TOOLS, DIES, MOLDS		XX
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TOWERS-MICROWAVE, EQUIPMENT, WIRING & FOUNDATION		XX
TOWERS – TV, RADIO, CATV, TWO-WAY RADIO, WIRING AND FOUNDATION		XX
TRACKAGE		XX
TRANSFORMER BANKS		XX
TRANSPORTATION COST-ALL		XX
TUNNELS-UNLESS PART OF PROCESSING SYSTEM	XX	
UNGRADE EQUIPMENT		XX
VACUUM SYSTEM, PROCESS		XX
VAULT-ALL		XX
VAULT DOOR INNER GATES, VENTS & EQUIPMENT		XX
VENDING MACHINES		XX
VENT FANS		XX
VENTILATION SYTEMS-GENERAL BUILDING (BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS)	XX	
VENTILATION SYTEMS-NEEDED FOR MANUFACTURING, PROCESS		XX
VIDEO TAPES/MOVIES/REEL MOVIES		XX

UTILITY SYSTEM BUILDINGS FOR PRIVATE SYSTEMS	XX	
UTILITY SYSTEMS-OTHER THAN IN STATE ASSESSED UTILITIES OTHER THAN CENTRAL HEATING AND COOLING FOR BUILDINGS, ETC. (E.G.: MOTEL OWNED TELEPHONE SWITCHBOARD SYSTEMS, PRIVATE RAILROAD SIDINGS, PRIVATE WATER SYSTEMS, EMERGENCY POWER GENERATING EQUIPMENT, ETC.)		XX
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WALL COVERING	XX	
WALLS-INSIDE MALL, BETWEEN TENANTS	XX	
WALLS – PARTITIONS, MOVEABLE AND ROOM DIVIDERS		XX
WATER COOLERS-ALL		XX
WATER LINES – FOR PROCESS ABOVE OR BELOW GROUND		XX
WATER SYSTEM-RESIDENTIAL OR GENERAL BUILDING	XX	
WATER TANKS & SYSTEM – FOR PROCESS EQUIPMENT		XX
WELLS – PUMPS, MOTORS, EQUIPMENT		XX
WHIRLPOOL/JACUZZI/HOT TUBS – PORTABLE		XX
WHIRLPOOL/JACUZZI/HOT TUBS – BUILT IN	XX	
WIRING- POWER WIRING FOR MACHINERY AND EQUIP.		XX

Depreciation

Depreciation is the loss of utility and consequently value from any cause. For these losses there are three forms of depreciation: 1) physical deterioration, 2) function obsolescence, and 3) economic obsolescence. Physical depreciation is evidenced by wear and tear, decay, dry rot, weather, cracks, encrustations, or structural defects. Obsolescence is divisible into two parts, functional and economic. Functional obsolescence may be due to poor house plans, oversized or over built for the neighborhood, mechanical inadequacy or over adequacy and/or style and age. It is evidenced by conditions within the dwelling. Economic, external and/or location obsolescence is caused by factors outside the property or home.

The most common form of depreciation is physical depreciation. Functional obsolescence is used in Polk County due to size, poor floor plan, design, etc. Economic obsolescence is used due to situations such as a dwelling abutting commercial or inferior properties, or the home site being located close to a major highway.

Many efforts have been made to compile schedules, which reflect the combined effects of deterioration and obsolescence into a single guideline for depreciation estimates in appraising. The schedules most frequently attempt to identify an overall economic or useful life for various structural classes, then set out percentage remainders of reproduction or replacement cost of properties of a given age and class. The term age used in these schedules is intended to be understood as effective age. The classes may be generally described as typical ranges of life expectancy for certain structural classes and implies the amount of time an improvement would normally be expected to remain an asset to the land in its present or intended use. The depreciation tables are located within the ONETax appraisal system software.

While such schedules are recognized to be only guides at best (with depreciation estimated for a particular property by current market data, considered most accurate), their use in mass appraisal efforts is well founded and generally considered sufficient.

USE OF DEPRECIATION

Unlike residential buildings, commercial and industrial buildings are usually built to a special design for a special purpose. The appraiser must first establish for what purpose the building was constructed. Then he must select from the listing of the commercial buildings the type of structure that most closely fits the building he is about to appraise. To do this he would go to the listing of building types listed in the manual. Once the appraiser has classified and graded the building, he then must consider the age and condition of the building in order to apply the proper amount of depreciation. All commercial and industrial properties in the taxing jurisdiction will be appraised at replacement cost less normal depreciation and or the market approach. The income approach will be used when data is available and reliable. Factors, which would normally influence the amount of depreciation given to a commercial or industrial property, are as follows:

1. **Age** – consideration for life expectancy and normal wear.
2. **Functional depreciation** – consideration for uses of building, for example, being used for another purpose than that for which it was originally intended.
3. **Economic depreciation** – consideration for the location of the building, for example, a service station at a location where there is no longer a high volume of traffic.

Depreciation Terms

Depreciation – A loss in value due to any cause.

Physical Depreciation – Is loss in value due to physical deterioration. It is readily observed as the decaying effect of the elements (and) or lack of maintenance, in conjunction with the chronological age of the structural components of the buildings.

Functional Obsolescence – Is a loss in value due to lack of utility or desirability of part or all the property.

Economic Obsolescence – Is loss in value due to causes outside the property and inadequacy of the property.

Effective Age – An age which reflects a true remaining life for the property, taking into account the typical life expectancy of building of its class and usage. It is a matter of judgment, taking all factors into consideration.

Remaining Life – The length of time the improvement may be expected to continue to perform its function economically.

Percent Good – 100% less the percentage of depreciation.

Examples of Functional Obsolescence – Old fashion bathroom and kitchen features, inadequate hot water or heating systems, inadequate placement of electrical outlets, low hanging pipes in commercial or industrial building, and absence of ventilating facilities, poor room arrangements, super adequacies such as extra high ceilings, inadequate column spacing in a warehouse, multi-story construction in an old industrial building, and undesirable shape or location on a site of a commercial structure.

Examples of Economic Obsolescence – Inharmonious land uses, location of obnoxious commercial or industrial businesses in a residential neighborhood, narrow streets with poor traffic access, and lack of adequate parking in a retail business district.

Reconciliation

This is the final step in which the appraiser brings all elements of the appraisal together to present a final conclusion of the market value of the subject property.

The separate value estimates reached by the different appraisal approaches rarely will be identical. Through the process of reconciliation, the appraiser compares and analyzes the estimates derived from the approaches used (sales comparison, cost and/or income). By considering the appropriateness of each approach for the property appraised, the value estimate that most accurately represents the market value of the subject can be determined.

The process of reconciliation is not a simple averaging of figures. One approach may have more validity for certain properties at certain times. Another approach may have little utility for the type of property being appraised. For instance, because most single-family residences are not purchased for their income-producing capability, the value reached by applying the income approach in the appraisal of a single-family residence is rarely a significant determinant of market value.

The Income Approach will only be used on income producing properties. In Mass Appraisal the Cost Approach less depreciation is the most acceptable form to use with the type of software (ONETax). The Market Approach is strongly considered and is referenced to with the County or City sales study.

The ONETax appraisal system is a cost system adjusted and blended by local sales to reach market value.

Base Rate Tables

YEAR	COMPONENT TYP/ CODE	DESCR IPTION	ABBREVI ATED DESCR	COMP RATE

2021	AC 01	ATTACHED LI VI NG AREA	ADDI TI ON	115.00
2021	AC 02	CONDO/ TOWNH ADDI TI ON	ADDI TI ON	97.00
2021	AC 05	ATTI C - FI NI SH	ATTI C	21.00
2021	AC 06	ATTI C - UNFI NI SHED	ATTI C	
2021	AC 09	BASEMENT- FI NI SHED SI MI LAR	BSMT	90.00
2021	AC 10	BASEMENT - FI NI SHED	BSMT	45.00
2021	AC 11	BASEMENT - UNFI NI SHED	BSMT	26.00
2021	AC 12	BASEMENT - MI NI MAL FI NI SH	BSMT	30.00
2021	AC 122	BASEMENT- LI MI TED ACCESS	BSMT	13.00
2021	AC 35	CARPORT	CARPORT	21.00
2021	AC 38	GARAGE	GARAGE	40.00
2021	AC 40	GARAGE - CANOPY	GARAGE	7.80
2021	AC 41	CANOPY/ AW NG RESI D	AWNI NG	9.43
2021	AC 45	PATI O - COVERED	PATI O	15.60
2021	AC 46	PATI O - MASONRY	PATI O	5.20
2021	AC 47	PATI O - STONE/ TI LE	PATI O	9.75
2021	AC 48	PATI O - TERRACE/ BALCONY	PATI O	34.00
2021	AC 49	PERGOLA	PERG	10.50
2021	AC 50	PORCH	PORCH	30.00
2021	AC 51	PORCH - ENCLOSED	PORCH	48.00
2021	AC 55	PORCH - SCREEN	PORCH	35.00
2021	AC 56	PORCH - STOOP	PORCH	5.50
2021	AC 561	PORCH - LEAN TO	PORCH	4.00
2021	AC 57	PORCH - COOKI NG/ ENTERTAI N	PORCH	60.00
2021	AC 58	PORCH - SUN ROOM	PORCH	62.00
2021	AC 59	PORCH - BREEZEWAY	PORCH	25.00
2021	AC 60	ROOM - STORAGE	RM- STGE	35.00
2021	AC 62	ROOM - FRUIT PROSSI NG	STORAGE	31.00
2021	AC 63	BUI LDI NG - I NDOOR POOL	REC	81.00
2021	AC 64	BUI LDI NG- GOLF CART	REC	29.00
2021	AC 67	GREENHOUSE ATTACHED RESI D	ADDI TI ON	5.20
2021	AC 68	POTTI NG SHED	ADDI TI ON	32.50
2021	AC 70	LI VI NG AR- UPPER FI N	LI V AR	90.00
2021	AC 71	LI VI NG AR- UPPER UNFI N	LI V AR	30.00
2021	AC 75	DECK - ELEVATED	DECK	23.00
2021	AC 76	DECK - TYPICAL	DECK	19.50
2021	AC 78	FULL BATH	BATH	4,680.00
2021	AC 79	HALF BATH	1/ 2 BATH	2,340.00
2021	AC 80	MANUF UPPER AREA FI N	UPPER AR	50.00
2021	AC 84	MH ADDI TI ON	LI V AR	50.00
2021	AC 85	ELEVATOR	ELV	26,000.00
2021	AC 90	HORSEBARN- LI VI NG UPPER	HORSE	75.00
2021	AC 91	HORSEBARN- OVERHANG	HORSE	26.00
2021	AC 920	CANOPY - BANK	CANOPY	39.00
2021	AC 921	CANOPY - AUTO DROP OFF	CANOPY	26.00
2021	AC 922	CANOPY - FAST FOOD	CANOPY	26.00
2021	AC 923	CANOPY - GAS	CANOPY	32.50
2021	AC 924	CANOPY - COVER WALK WAY	CANOPY	29.50
2021	AC 925	CANOPY - MARQUEE	CANOPY	23.50

2021	AC 931	DOCK - LOADING- COVERED	DOCK	14.50
2021	AC 980	RETAIL - FINISHED	RETAIL	52.00
2021	AC 981	RETAIL - UNFINISHED	RETAIL	26.00
2021	AC 984	OFFICE - FINISHED	OFFICE	52.00
2021	AC 985	OFFICE - UNFINISHED	OFFICE	26.00
2021	AP TEST	TEST	TEST	1.00
2021	AR 01	CENTRAL AIR	AIR	
2021	AR 02	CENTRAL HEAT	HEAT	
2021	AR 03	NO CONVENTIONAL AIR	AIR	2.20-
2021	AR 04	NO CONVENTIONAL HEAT	HEAT	2.20-
2021	AR 05	C/I AIR	AIR	1.90
2021	AR 06	C/I HEAT ADJUSTMENT	HEAT	1.60
2021	AR 99	OTHER	OTHER	
2021	AT 01	FINISHED	ATTIC	20.31
2021	AT 02	UNFINISHED	ATTIC	8.13
2021	AT 03	PART FINISHED	ATTIC	12.81
2021	BA 01	UNFINISHED BASEMENT	BASEMENT	26.00
2021	BM TEST	TEST	TEST	1.00
2021	BS 01	WOOD OR EQUAL - IN BASE	STRUCT	
2021	BS 02	COMBIN FRAME/ MASONRY	STRUCT	1.90
2021	BS 03	BRICK	STRUCT	4.40
2021	BS 04	BLOCK	STRUCT	3.75
2021	CF TEST	TEST	TEST	1.00
2021	CU TEST	TEST	TEST	1.00
2021	CW 001	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	6.79-
2021	CW 002	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	8.43-
2021	CW 003	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	15.35-
2021	CW 004	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	5.44-
2021	CW 005	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	5.99-
2021	CW 006	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	5.86-
2021	CW 007	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	6.32-
2021	CW 008	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	22.55-
2021	CW 009	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	14.68-
2021	CW 010	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	19.71-
2021	CW 011	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	7.63-
2021	CW 012	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	15.09
2021	CW 013	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	3.29-
2021	CW 014	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	16.59-
2021	CW 015	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	15.47-
2021	CW 016	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	7.49-
2021	CW 017	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	9.25-
2021	CW 018	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	9.83-
2021	CW 019	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	6.53-
2021	CW 020	CW ADJ	CW ADJ	5.62-
2021	DS AR03	CNT AIR UPPER AREA	AIR ADJ	
2021	DS AR04	CNT HEAT UPPER AREA	HEAT ADJ	
2021	DS EC01	BRICK VENEER	EX COV	
2021	DS EC05	CONCRETE BLOCK	EX COV	
2021	DS EC06	HARDBOARD	EX COV	

2021	FN 01	CONTINUOUS WALL/ CONCRETE	FOUND	
2021	FN 02	PIER	FOUND	2.50-
2021	FN 03	SLAB	FOUND	2.20-
2021	FN 04	STONE	FOUND	2.20-
2021	FN 05	CRAWL SPACE	FOUND	
2021	FN 99	OTHER	FOUND	2.20-
2021	FP 011	1 ST 2 OPENINGS	FP ADJ	5,625.00
2021	FP 012	2 STS 2 OPENINGS	FP ADJ	9,500.00
2021	FP 013	3 STS 3 OPENINGS	FP ADJ	11,250.00
2021	FP 014	4 OR MORE OPENINGS	FP ADJ	13,750.00
2021	FP 04	FIRE PL FRAME	FP ADJ	4,750.00
2021	FP 07	FIRE PL INSERT	FP ADJ	2,062.50
2021	FP 09	FIRE PL MAS/ ST	FP ADJ	6,125.00
2021	FP 13	FIRE PL OUTSIDE	FP ADJ	3,750.00
2021	FP 20	FP ADDITIONAL OPENINGS	FP ADJ	1,875.00
2021	FP 21	WOODSTOVE	FP ADJ	1,000.00
2021	FP 99	FIRE PL NO CHARGE	FP ADJ	
2021	MA APT01	APART- MULTI - UNIT	APT	62.00
2021	MA APT07	APART- GARAGE	APT	59.00
2021	MA AUT03	AUTO SERVICE CNT	AUTO	42.00
2021	MA AUT04	CARWASH- SELF SERVE	AUTO	26.00
2021	MA AUT07	MINI LUBE(W P I T)	AUTO	86.00
2021	MA B/ B2	BEAUTY/ BARBER- CONVERT	BTY/ BARB	60.00
2021	MA BANK2	BANK	BANK	125.00
2021	MA BAR1	BAR/ REST/ LOUNGE- NBHD	BAR	59.00
2021	MA CHUR4	CHURCH- FELLOWSHIP HALL	CHURCH	130.00
2021	MA DAYC1	DAYCARE- CONVENTIONAL	DAY CARE	62.00
2021	MA DAYC2	DAYCARE- CONVERTED RESIDEN	DAYCARE	57.00
2021	MA FNHM1	FUNERAL HM- SPECIALLY BLT	FUNAL HM	75.00
2021	MA GARG1	GARAGE- SERVICE- TYPICAL	GARAGE	46.00
2021	MA GARG2	GARAGE- WORK SHOP	GARAGE	34.00
2021	MA GARG3	GARAGE- PAINT SHOP(BAYS)	GARAGE	33.00
2021	MA GARG4	GARAGE- AUTO REPAIR	GARAGE	40.00
2021	MA GOLF1	GOLF COURSE- PRIVATE	GOLF	61,600.00
2021	MA GOLF2	GOLF CR- CHAMPIONSHIP	GOLF	78,400.00
2021	MA GOLF3	GOLF CR- SEMI - PRIVATE	GOLF	42,560.00
2021	MA GOLF4	GOLF COURSE- MINIMUM	GOLF	26,600.00
2021	MA GOV1	CITY, COUNTY, STATE, FEDERAL	PBL/ GOV	180.00
2021	MA GOV3	POST OFFICE	PBL/ GOV	80.00
2021	MA GOV5	POLICE STATION	PBL/ GOV	130.00
2021	MA GOV6	FIRE STATION	PBL/ GOV	100.00
2021	MA GOV7	COURTHOUSE	PBL/ GOV	225.00
2021	MA HCAR1	MEDICAL CLINIC	HLTH CAR	135.00
2021	MA HCAR2	DENTAL CLINIC	HLTH CAR	135.00
2021	MA HCAR4	ASSISTED LIVING	HLTH CAR	105.00
2021	MA HCAR5	NURSING HOME	HLTH CAR	105.00
2021	MA HCAR6	RESIDENTIAL CONVERTED	HLTH CAR	105.00
2021	MA HCAR9	REGIONAL HOSPITAL	HLTH CAR	260.00
2021	MA I NDS1	INDUST- LIGHT	MAN/ I NDU	35.00

2021	DS	EC07	LOG VENEER	EX COV	
2021	DS	EC09	STONE	EX COV	
2021	DS	EC10	SI DI NG	EX COV	
2021	DS	EC11	STUCCO	EX COV	
2021	DS	EC12	VI NYL SI DI NG	EX COV	
2021	DS	EC13	WOOD SI DI NG	EX COV	
2021	DS	EC15	ASBESTOS	EX COV	
2021	DS	EC17	METAL	EX COV	
2021	DS	EC99	OTHER	EX COV	
2021	DS	FN 02	CONCRETE BLOCK	FOUND	
2021	DS	FN 03	BRI CK	FOUND	
2021	DS	FN 06	WOOD	FOUND	
2021	DS	FN 07	REI NFORCED CONCRETE	FOUND	
2021	DS	FN02	PI ER	FOUND	3. 15-
2021	DS	FN03	SLAB	FOUND	2. 50-
2021	DS	FN04	STONE	FOUND	
2021	DS	FN99	OTHER	FOUND	3. 15-
2021	DS	HT01	HEAT TYPE - GAS	HEAT TYP	
2021	DS	HT02	HEAT TYPE - STEAM	HEAT TYP	
2021	DS	HT03	HEAT TYPE - ELECTRI C	HEAT TYP	
2021	DS	HT04	HEAT TYPE - OI L	HEAT TYP	
2021	DS	HT05	HEAT TYPE - SOLAR	HEAT TYP	
2021	DS	HT06	HEAT TYPE - WOOD	HEAT TYP	
2021	DS	HT07	HEAT TYPE - GEOTHERMAL	HEAT TYP	
2021	DS	HT99	HEAT TYPE - OTHER	HEAT TYP	
2021	DS	RM01	ASPHALT SHI NGLE	ROOF MAT	
2021	DS	RM02	ENAMELED MT- <1990	ROOF MAT	
2021	DS	RM03	ENAMELED MT- >1990	ROOF MAT	6. 25
2021	DS	RM04	CLAY TILE	ROOF MAT	
2021	DS	RM05	WOOD SHI NGLE	ROOF MAT	
2021	DS	RM07	SLATE	ROOF MAT	
2021	DS	RM08	ROLLED RUBBER	ROOF MAT	
2021	DS	RM09	ROLLED COMPOSIT	ROOF MAT	
2021	DS	RM99	OTHER	OTHER	
2021	DS	RT01	FLAT SHED TYPE	ROOF TYP	
2021	DS	RT02	HI P	ROOF TYP	
2021	DS	RT03	MANSARD	ROOF TYP	
2021	DS	RT04	GABLE	ROOF TYP	
2021	DS	RT05	GAMBREL (BARN STYLE)	ROOF TYP	
2021	DS	RT07	MONITOR	ROOF TYP	
2021	DS	RT1	ROOF TYPE- A FRAME	ROOF TYP	
2021	DS	RT99	OTHER	ROOF TYP	
2021	EW	01	FRAME OR EQUAL - BASE	EX WALL	
2021	EW	02	COMB FRAME / MASONRY	EX WALL	
2021	EW	03	BRI CK OR EQUAL	EX WALL	
2021	EW	04	BLOCK	EX WALL	
2021	EW	05	N/ A	EX WALL	
2021	EW	06	CONCRETE	EX WALL	
2021	EW	99	OTHER	EX WALL	

2021	MA	INDS2	INDUST- MEDIUM	MAN/INDU	35.00
2021	MA	LMAT2	LAUNDROMAT	LNDRY	52.00
2021	MA	LMAT3	DRY CLEANERS	LNDRY	57.00
2021	MA	LOD03	MOTEL- ROW	LODGI NG	78.00
2021	MA	LOD04	MOTEL- MULTI - STORY OUTSI	LODGI NG	78.00
2021	MA	LOD07	MOTEL- SERVI CE AREA	LODGI NG	52.00
2021	MA	LOD08	LODGI NG- INN	LODGI NG	85.00
2021	MA	LOD10	LODGI NG- VILLA	LODGI NG	85.00
2021	MA	LUMB4	LUMBER YD- STGE ENCLOSED	LMB YD	15.00
2021	MA	LUMB5	LUMBER YD=STGE OPEN	LMB YD	10.00
2021	MA	MANU1	MANUFACT- LI GHT	MAN/INDU	35.00
2021	MA	MANU2	MANUFACT- MEDIUM	MAN/INDU	35.00
2021	MA	MRKT1	CONV STORE- CONVENT	MARKET	100.00
2021	MA	MRKT2	CONV ST- SPR W FAST	MARKET	125.00
2021	MA	MRKT4	SUPER MARKET- REG	MARKET	72.00
2021	MA	MRKT5	SUPER MKT- NBHOOD	MARKET	60.00
2021	MA	OFF01	OFF- TYPI CAL(GENERAL)	OFFI CE	80.00
2021	MA	OFF02	OFF- OPEN	OFFI CE	55.00
2021	MA	OFF03	OFF- CONVERT RESID	OFFI CE	65.00
2021	MA	OFF04	OFF- MEDI CAL BUI LD	OFFI CE	130.00
2021	MA	OFF05	OFF- MEDI CAL LABORATORY	OFFI CE	130.00
2021	MA	OFF06	OFF- CONDOMI NI UM	OFFI CE	150.00
2021	MA	OFF08	OFF- MODULAR	OFFI CE	60.00
2021	MA	OFF09	OFF- INTERI OR	OFFI CE	40.00
2021	MA	OFF10	OFF- VETERI NARY CLI NIC	OFFI CE	100.00
2021	MA	OFF11	OFF- WAREHOUSE	OFFI CE	28.00
2021	MA	OFF13	OFF- LOWER AREA FIN	OFFI CE	55.00
2021	MA	OFF15	OFF- UPPER AREA FIN	OFFI CE	55.00
2021	MA	OFF16	OFF- STRIP CNT	OFFI CE	65.00
2021	MA	OFF17	OFF- CONDO ATTIC FIN	OFFI CE	104.00
2021	MA	PARK3	PARKI NG- PRK LOT	PARKI NG	3.00
2021	MA	PUB03	COLLEGE CLASS ROOMS	PUB/ GOV	200.00
2021	MA	PUB04	COLLEGE ADM N BUI LDI NGS	PUB/ GOV	150.00
2021	MA	PUB06	LI BRARY	PUB/ GOV	200.00
2021	MA	PUB07	AUDI TORI UM	PUB/ GOV	180.00
2021	MA	REC06	FITNESS CENTER	REC	65.00
2021	MA	REC07	CLUB HOUSE	REC	80.00
2021	MA	REC08	SOCI AL CLUB	REC	80.00
2021	MA	REC09	COMMUNI TY CENTER	REC	80.00
2021	MA	REST1	FAST FOOD	RESTAUR	200.00
2021	MA	REST2	FULL SERV(FAMI LY STYLE)	RESTAUR	100.00
2021	MA	REST4	TRUCK STOP	RESTAUR	78.00
2021	MA	REST7	FOOD STAND	RESTAUR	26.00
2021	MA	REST8	THEME DI NI NG	RESTAUR	126.00
2021	MA	RET01	RET- TYPI CAL	RETAI L	65.00
2021	MA	RET02	RET- DETACHED	RETAI L	60.00
2021	MA	RET03	RET- OPEN	RETAI L	55.00
2021	MA	RET04	RET- DRUGSTORE	RETAI L	110.00
2021	MA	RET05	RET- DI SCOUNT	RETAI L	65.00

2021	MA	RET06	RET- CONVERT RESI D	RETAIL	60.00
2021	MA	RET07	RET- PROSHOP(GOLF/ TENN)	RETAIL	55.00
2021	MA	RET08	RETAIL A AA AAA LEASE	RETAIL	100.00
2021	MA	RET12	RET- STRIP STORE	RETAIL	65.00
2021	MA	RET13	RET- STRIP CENTER	RETAIL	75.00
2021	MA	R01	RES- SINGLE FAMI LY	MN AREA	112.00
2021	MA	R02	RES- CONDO/ TOWNHOUSE	MN AREA	97.00
2021	MA	R03	RES- LOG HOME	MN AREA	117.00
2021	MA	R031	RES- LOG MODULAR	MN AREA	117.00
2021	MA	R04	RES- MULTI SECTI ON MANU	MN AREA	65.00
2021	MA	R05	RES- SINGLE SECTI ON MANU	MN AREA	50.00
2021	MA	R06	RES- DUPLEX	MN AREA	90.00
2021	MA	R07	RES- TRI PLEX	MN AREA	95.00
2021	MA	R08	RES- GARAGE APART	MN AREA	75.00
2021	MA	R09	RES- GARAGE DETACHED	MN AREA	40.00
2021	MA	R10	RES- WORKSHOP	MN AREA	40.00
2021	MA	R12	RES- BED/ BREAKFAST	MN AREA	100.00
2021	MA	R14	RES- GUEST HOUSE	MN AREA	95.00
2021	MA	R15	RES- ATTACH LIV AR	MN AREA	112.00
2021	MA	R16	RES- MODULAR	MN AREA	102.00
2021	MA	R17	RES- COTTAGE	MN AREA	90.00
2021	MA	R18	RES- MODULAR ON FRAME	MN ARES	80.00
2021	MA	R19	RES- POOL HOUSE	MN AREA	78.00
2021	MA	SHOP1	NEIGHBORHOOD STRIP CENTER	SHP CNT	65.00
2021	MA	SHOP4	STRIP CENTER	SHP CNT	75.00
2021	MA	SHOP5	MIXED CENTER	SHP CNT	75.00
2021	MA	SPO1	FRATERNAL BLD (VFW AMVET)	SPECIAL	80.00
2021	MA	SP01	CITY CLUBS	SPECIAL	90.00
2021	MA	SP03	SPECIAL EVENT HALL	SPECIAL	42.00
2021	MA	STAD	STADIUM SEATING	ST SEAT	150.00
2021	MA	STOR0	WH- INDUSTRIAL FLEX	STGE/ DIS	30.00
2021	MA	STOR1	WAREHOUSE	STGE/ DIS	25.00
2021	MA	STOR2	WH- DISTRIBUTION	STG/ DIST	25.00
2021	MA	STOR4	WH- SELF STORAGE	STG/ DIST	20.00
2021	MA	STOR5	WH- LIGHT	STG/ DIST	25.00
2021	MA	STOR6	WH- MEDIUM	STG/ DIST	25.00
2021	MA	ST3	STABLE	STABLE	30.00
2021	MA	THEA2	MOVIE- OLD STYLE	THEATER	60.00
2021	MA	THEA3	MOVIE- STADIUM SEATING	THEATER	140.00
2021	MA	UT03	TELE - MAINT. BLD	UTILITY	55.00
2021	MA	003	INDUSTRIAL	MAIN ARE	40.00
2021	MA	005	PUBLIC UTIL.	MAIN ARE	70.00
2021	MA	006	STG. DIST. WHSE.	MAIN ARE	40.00
2021	MA	007	MINI - WHSE.	MAIN ARE	27.00
2021	MA	008	STG. - OFF. - APT. ETC.	MAIN ARE	75.00
2021	MA	009	CAR WASH	MAIN ARE	25.00
2021	MA	010	COMMERCIAL GARAGE	MAIN ARE	45.00
2021	MA	011	STORE BLDG (1S)	MAIN ARE	60.00
2021	MA	013	CHURCHES	MAIN ARE	125.00

2021	MA	014	GARDEN APTS.	MAIN ARE	65.00
2021	MA	015	OFFICE BLDG.	MAIN ARE	60.00
2021	MA	017	SCHOOLS	MAIN ARE	200.00
2021	MA	018	2-5 STORY BLDGS.	MAIN ARE	75.00
2021	MA	021	CLUBHOUSE BLDG.	MAIN ARE	80.00
2021	MA	023	RESTAURANTS	MAIN ARE	85.00
2021	MA	024	MOTELS	MAIN ARE	80.00
2021	MA	025	CONDOMINIUMS	MAIN ARE	85.00
2021	MA	026	COMMERCIAL BLDG.	MAIN ARE	75.00
2021	MA	028	FAST FOOD REST.	MAIN ARE	200.00
2021	MA	029	W NERY	W NERY	85.00
2021	MA	081	HORSEBARN- EQUINE CNT	HORSE	60.00
2021	MA	082	HORSEBARN- HOBBY	HORSE	45.00
2021	MA	083	HORSEBARN- LIVING QUARTERS	HORSE	75.00
2021	MA	089	HORSE RIDING ARENA	HORSE	15.00
2021	MA	100	W NERY PRODUCTION	W NERY	55.00
2021	MA	101	W NERY TASTING ROOM/SHOP	W NERY	65.00
2021	MS	CSTND	CONCESSION STAND	CONSTAND	44.00
2021	MS	ELEV1	ELEVATOR- FREIGHT	ELEV	25,000.00
2021	MS	ELEV2	ELEVATOR- PASSENGER	ELEV	37,500.00
2021	MS	FT1	FUEL TANK	FUEL	1.25
2021	MS	GR1	GREENHOUSE- PLASTIC	GRNHSE	7.50
2021	MS	GR2	GREENHOUSE- GLASS	GRNHSE	15.00
2021	MS	GR3	GREENHOUSE- ATTACHED- RESID	GRNHSE	5.00
2021	MS	GYM	SCHOOL GYM	SCHGYM	75.00
2021	MS	HT1	HOT TUB	HOTTUB	3,750.00
2021	MS	LGHT1	LIGHTING	LIGHTING	1,875.00
2021	MS	LGHT2	STADIUM LIGHT SYSTEM	STADIUM	312,500.00
2021	MS	LGHT3	LIGHTING- SMALL	LIGHTING	625.00
2021	MS	QUO1	QUONSET/ METAL BUILDING	QUONSET	12.50
2021	MS	SCBOX	SECURITY BOX	SCBOX	9,375.00
2021	MS	SVC1	SERVICE STATION CANOPY	SVC- CAN	20.00
2021	MS	VLTF	PRE- FAB. VAULT	PRE- FVLT	18,750.00
2021	MS	WTRTK	WATER TANK	H2O	.80
2021	MS	003	BLD- MODULAR CLASSROOM	BUILDING	31.00
2021	MS	011	BLD- AMENITIES CNT- OP	BUILDING	69.00
2021	MS	012	BLD- BOAT HOUSE	BUILDING	37.00
2021	MS	013	BLD- CLUB HOUSE	BUILDING	81.00
2021	MS	014	BLD- BATH HOUSE	BUILDING	44.00
2021	MS	016	BLD- GAZEBO	BUILDING	35.00
2021	MS	018	BLD- GUARD HOUSE	BUILDING	75.00
2021	MS	019	BLD- LEAN TO	BUILDING	4.00
2021	MS	020	BLD- MISC STRUCTURE	BUILDING	10.00
2021	MS	021	BLD- POTTING SHED	BUILDING	25.00
2021	MS	022	BLD- POLE	BUILDING	11.00
2021	MS	023	BLD- POOL HOUSE	BUILDING	70.00
2021	MS	024	BLD- REC ENCLOS- SHELL	BUILDING	66.00
2021	MS	025	BLD- SCALE HOUSE	BUILDING	48.00
2021	MS	026	BLD- SHED	BUILDING	10.00

2021	MS 027	BLD- WORKSHOP	BUI LDI NG	40.00
2021	MS 028	BLD- STORAGE	BUI LDI NG	20.00
2021	MS 029	BLD- STUDI O/ COTTAGE	BUI LDI NG	56.00
2021	MS 030	BLD- UTI LI TY- WOOD	BUI LDI NG	14.00
2021	MS 032	BLD- UTI LI TY- METAL	BUI LDI NG	10.00
2021	MS 033	BLD- PAVI LI ON	BUI LDI NG	28.00
2021	MS 035	BLD- PORCH	BUI LDI NG	21.00
2021	MS 036	BLD- SCREEN PORCH	BUI LDI NG	24.00
2021	MS 041	BARN- DAI RY	BARN	1.25
2021	MS 043	BARN- GEN PURPOSE	BARN	20.00
2021	MS 048	BARN- POLE	BARN	15.00
2021	MS 049	BARN- CHI CKEN HOUSE	BARN	5.00
2021	MS 051	BARN- STUDI O	BARN	69.00
2021	MS 060	FENCE	FENCE	15.00
2021	MS 070	GARAGE- APARTMENT	GARAGE	75.00
2021	MS 071	GARAGE- D/ CARPORT	GARAGE	23.00
2021	MS 072	GARAGE- UPPER AREA	GARAGE	15.00
2021	MS 073	GARAGE- DETACHED	GARAGE	40.00
2021	MS 075	METAL CARPORT	GARAGE	3.50
2021	MS 076	METAL GARAGE/ WKSH/ STOR	GARAGE	15.00
2021	MS 077	HORSEBARN- MANURE PIT	HORSE	12.00
2021	MS 078	HORSEBARN- SHAVI NG SHED	HORSE	12.00
2021	MS 079	HORSEBARN- OVERHANG	HORSE	25.00
2021	MS 081	HORSEBARN- EQUI NE CNT	HORSE	60.00
2021	MS 083	HORSEBARN	HORSE	45.00
2021	MS 084	HORSEBARN- RUNI N SHED	HORSE	10.00
2021	MS 085	HORSEBARN- STABLE	HORSE	30.00
2021	MS 0851	HORSE RI DI NG RI NG	HORSE	1.90
2021	MS 0852	HORSE RI DI NG ARENA- COVER	HORSE	15.00
2021	MS 088	HORSEBARN- LI VI NG QUARTERS	HORSE	75.00
2021	MS 090	OUTDOOR FI REPLACE	FI RE	3,750.00
2021	MS 0901	OUTDOOR WOOD STOVE	FI RE	1,250.00
2021	MS 0902	BARBECUES	FI RE	1,000.00
2021	MS 091	OUTDOOR BRI CK OVEN	FI RE	3,500.00
2021	MS 092	FI RE PIT	FI RE	250.00
2021	MS 093	MH ADDI TI ON	MH REL	35.00
2021	MS 094	MANUFACTURED HOME PARK	MH	
2021	MS 095	MH- PERSONAL PROPERTY	MH	
2021	MS 096	MH- PARK- SI TE- PAD- HOOKUP	CAMPG	6,000.00
2021	MS 097	MH/ RV SI TE/ HOOKUP- RES	MH REL	6,000.00
2021	MS 0971	TENT SI TE	CAMPG	500.00
2021	MS 099	RV- PARK MODEL	RV	
2021	MS 100	POOL- SW I M- OUTDOOR	POOL	40.00
2021	MS 101	POOL- SW I M- I NDOOR	POOL	60.00
2021	MS 110	PATI O- MAS/ CONCRETE	PATI O	5.00
2021	MS 111	PATI O- STONE	PATI O	10.00
2021	MS 115	PAVI NG- ASPHALT	PAVI NG	2.75
2021	MS 116	PAVI NG- CONCRETE	PAVI NG	5.00
2021	MS 123	SHUFFLE BOARD	REC	2.50

2021	MS	124	REC- TENNI S CT- LI GHTED	REC	33,250.00
2021	MS	125	TENNI S COURT	REC	5.00
2021	MS	152	PERGOLA	PERG	10.00
2021	MS	154	CANOPY	M SC OTH	9.00
2021	MS	155	DOCK- BOAT	M SC OTH	27.00
2021	MS	170	FARM- GRAI N BI N	M SC OTH	1.25
2021	MS	171	FLAGPOLE	M SC OTH	1,800.00
2021	MS	172	FOUNTAI NS	M SC OTH	4,000.00
2021	MS	173	GATE- ENTRANCE	M SC OTH	1.25
2021	MS	181	SOLAR ROOM- SUN ROOM	M SC OTH	78.00
2021	MS	182	W WALL- RETAI NI NG	M SC OTH	18.00
2021	MS	183	WELL PUMP HOUSE	M SC OTH	
2021	MS	191	WOOD DECK- DETACHED	M SC OTH	18.00
2021	MS	194	SPRI NKERS- WET	SPRI NK	1.85
2021	MS	198	BRI DGE	M SC OTH	163.00
2021	MS	199	SCREEN PORCH	PORCH	38.00
2021	MS	200	PORCH	PORCH	33.00
2021	MS	201	SOLAR PANELS	RENAWABL	
2021	MS	2011	W ND TURBI NE	RENEWABL	
2021	MS	202	COOLER	M SC OTH	31.00
2021	MS	203	CHURCH FELLOWSHI P HALL	CHURCH	125.00
2021	MS	204	BASEMENT	BASEMENT	25.00
2021	MS	205	CELL TOWER SITE	M SC OTH	100,000.00
2021	MS	300	W NERY PRODUCTI ON	W NERY	62.00
2021	MS	301	W NERY TASTI NG ROOM SHOP	W NERY	75.00
2021	MS	330	GENERATOR	GENERAT	
2021	MS	400	YURT- REAL PROPERTY	OTHER	40.00
2021	MS	401	YURT- PERSONAL PROPERTY	OTHER	
2021	MS	555	SOUND VALUE I MPROVEMENT	M SC OTH	1.25
2021	MS	888	OTHER I MPV(S) NO VALUE	M SC OTH	
2021	PL	00	HALF BATH	PL ADJ	2,813.00
2021	PL	01	1 BATH	PL ADJ	5,625.00
2021	PL	02	1.5 BATH	PL ADJ	8,438.00
2021	PL	03	2 BATHS	PL ADJ	11,250.00
2021	PL	04	2.5 BATHS	PL ADJ	14,063.00
2021	PL	05	3.0 BATHS	PL ADJ	16,875.00
2021	PL	06	3.5 BATHS	PL ADJ	19,688.00
2021	PL	07	4.0 BATHS	PL ADJ	22,500.00
2021	PL	08	4.5 BATHS	PL ADJ	25,313.00
2021	PL	09	5.0 BATHS	PL ADJ	28,125.00
2021	PL	10	5.5 BATHS	PL ADJ	30,938.00
2021	PL	11	6.0 BATHS	PL ADJ	33,750.00
2021	PL	12	6.5 BATHS	PL ADJ	36,563.00
2021	PL	13	7.0 BATHS	PL ADJ	39,375.00
2021	PL	14	7.5 BATHS	PL ADJ	42,188.00
2021	PL	15	8.0 BATHS	PL ADJ	45,000.00
2021	PL	16	8.5 BATHS	PL ADJ	47,813.00
2021	PL	17	9.0 BATHS	PL ADJ	50,625.00
2021	PL	18	9.5 BATHS	PL ADJ	53,438.00
2021	PL	19	10.0 BATHS	PL ADJ	56,250.00
2021	PL	20	10.5 BATHS	PL ADJ	59,063.00
2021	PL	99	PLUMBI NG OTHER	PL ADJ	
2021	PM	PL00	HALF BATHROOM	HALF BA	2,813.00
2021	PM	PL01	FULL BATHROOM	FULL BA	5,625.00
2021	PT	TEST	TEST	TEST	1.00
2021	RT	01	FLAT SHED	FL SHED	4.00
2021	VS	001	VS ADJ	VS ADJ	1.62
2021	VS	002	VS ADJ	VS ADJ	1.63

Glossary of Terms

Exterior Walls

Aluminum Siding-Flat or corrugated aluminum sheets fastened to a wood or metal frame.

Asbestos Shingle Wall-Refers to asbestos shingle laid over wood frame with sheathing. The principle composition of these shingles is asbestos which is a mineral fiber occurring in long and delicate fibers or fibrous masses. It is incombustible, non-conducting and chemically resistant. Typically, these shingles are hard and brittle in nature with a noticeable grain or texture.

Board and Batten on Plywood with Strips-Sheathing placed on walls in a vertical position with the joints covered by narrow wooden strips called battens.

Board and Batten 12" boards nailed to sheathing in a vertical position and the joints covered by battens (which are narrow wooden strips), this form of siding commonly used on small buildings.

Cedar or Redwood Siding-Horizontal cedar or redwood lap siding or panel siding normally, unfinished or naturally stained which is desirable because of color and maintenance free characteristics.

Cement Brick-Cement brick is normally a 4" cement brick wall backed with masonry or wood. Cement bricks lack the reddish clay color of common brick.

Common Brick-Brick commonly used for construction purposes, primarily made for building and not specially treated for color. They are made from clay or a clay mixture molded into blocks which are then hardened in the sun or baked in a kiln.

Composition or Wall Board-Refers to composition siding which comes in varied thickness and rolls, and is usually fastened over wood framing by nailing. Can be any of the various man-made materials on wood or metal framing such as "Homasote" or "Cleotex" or other trade name products. These must be treated or painted to withstand weather.

Concrete or Cinder Block-The standard concrete or cinder block which can range in size from 8 to 26 inches.

Corrugated Asbestos-Sometimes called by trade names such as "Transite", this is asbestos manufactured in corrugated sheets which can be fastened to wood or metal framing.

Corrugated Metal (Light)-An inexpensive steel or galvanized siding with minimum thickness. This is usually manufactured in sheets which can be fastened to wood or metal framing.

Corrugated Metal (Heavy)-An expensive steel or galvanized siding generally used for commercial construction.

Exterior Insulating Finish System (EIFS)-Resembles traditional masonry stucco available in drainable and barrier systems. Also called synthetic stucco. Where the siding is retaining moisture or likely to do so additional depreciation should be considered.

Face Brick-A quality of brick such as that used on exposed parts of a building and is usually color treated and finished.

Glass/Thermo-pane-A glass sandwich designed for use on exterior walls. Usually tinted and with an aluminum or metal framing system. This normally occurs only on large commercial office buildings.

Hardiplank-Portland Cement-Ground Sand-Cellulose Fiber-Select Additives-No Asbestos-No Formaldehyde=Sizes 6 ¼ to 9 ¼ inches-8 ¼ inches is considered standard.

Masonite-Hardboard siding 6 to 12 inches wide.

Modular Metal-This refers to the type walls used in mobile homes and commercial construction and other similar prefab metal walls.

Precast Panel-A modular construction material usually with a washed pebble finish. Such panels are precast and brought to the site to be erected. Normally used as the major exterior wall finish, it is most often found on commercial buildings.

Prefinished Metal-This refers to the enameled or anodized metal which is commonly used on service stations and other metal, commercial structures.

Reinforced Concrete-Structural frame of concrete which has been reinforced with steel bars and used as exterior walls.

Siding Average-Used to describe infrequent unusual combinations not otherwise described, and reflects average quality material and workmanship.

Siding Maximum-A mixture of expensive siding.

Siding Minimum-Used to describe infrequent or unusual combinations not otherwise described and reflects very low quality materials.

Single Siding with Wood Framing Not Sheathing-Denotes inexpensive wood framing without sheathing.

Stone-refers to various good stone or stone veneers, usually on masonry.

Stucco on Concrete Block-A wall of concrete block with cement stucco applied to the exterior creating a textured surface.

Stucco on Tile or Wood Frame- Tile stucco refers to terra cotta tile with cement stucco applied to the exterior. Wood frame stucco is a type of wall which is formed by applying cement stucco to a framework of wood with wire or wood lath. (Stucco is a coating in which cement is used for covering walls and is put on wet, but when dry it becomes exceedingly hard and durable).

Wood on Sheathing or Plywood-Wood is either lapped or 4x8 panels. Horizontal wood siding which is normally lapped over the sheathing and painted or a wood panel (plywood) nailed to the sheathing.

Wood Shingle-These are usually cedar or redwood shingles and usually appear on expensive homes-the irregular shaped cedar shakes being the most expensive.

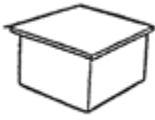
Roofing Structure

Bowstring Truss-A large curved truss common to airplane hangars and Quonset huts.



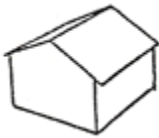
Bowstring

Flat Roof-A flat roof refers to a structural material which spans a horizontal or nearly horizontal position from wall-to-wall or beam-to-beam.



Flat

Gable-A gable roof is pitched (pitch is the slope of the roof) in two directions.



Gable

Gambrel-A type of roof which has its slope broken by an obtuse angle so that the lower slope is steeper than the upper slope; a roof with two pitches such as is common on a barn.



Gambrel

Hip Roof-The hip roof is usually pitched in four directions.



Hip

Irregular Roof-Any of a variety of unusual slopes which does not have the same rise per foot run throughout.

Mansard-A roof with two slopes on all four sides, the lower slope is very steep, the upper slope is almost flat.



Mansard

Pre-stressed Concrete-Roofs which are made up of concrete which has been made up elsewhere, pre-stressed and erected in place with cranes. Pre-stressing makes it possible to use less steel and usually less bulky than reinforcing.

Reinforced Concrete Roof-Roof framing where concrete is formed and poured in place with a system of steel rods or mesh for absorbing tensile and shearing stresses. Roof framing of this type has been formed and poured on the ground and through a system of hydraulic jacks raised to proper position.

Rigid Frame with Bar Joist-Bar joists are fabricated steel open trusses which have been set close together and serve as roof beams or ceiling joists. The span of these is limited due to their lightness and depth. Bar joists limit roof shape to flat or shed and is to be used in place of flat or shed roofs on commercial buildings with medium spans.

Saw Tooth Roof-A roof which is formed of a number of trusses having unusual slopes. When viewed from the end, such a roof presents a serrated profile similar to the teeth of a saw.



Sawtooth

Shed Roof-Similar to Flat roof except that it has a noted slope in one direction.



Shed

Steel Frame or Truss-A truss made up of various shapes of steel members either bolted or welded together and which can, due to strength of steel and depth of truss, cover large spans in either flat, shed, hip, gable, mansard or gambrel shapes and is to be used on commercial buildings with heavy loads or wide spans in place of flat, shed, gable, mansard or gambrel shapes.



Steel Truss

Wood Truss-This is made up of various size lumber or timber such as beams, bars and ties usually arranged in triangular units to form a rigid framework and may be flat, shed or pitched. Spans are limited due to the strength of the material. This is to be used in place of the flat or shed on commercial buildings with limited spans.

Roofing Cover

Asbestos Shingle-Shingles made of rigid, fireproof asbestos products which come in individual shingles and are fastened down in the same manner as wood or composition.

Asphalt or Composition Shingle-Refers to shingles made from asbestos felt saturated with asphalt. These are pliable shingles which are fastened down by nailing to some type of sheathing.

Built up Tar and Gravel-Gravel embedded in tar is hot mopped over various types of composition concrete, metal or gypsum roofing. This product requires a very low pitched or flat roof shape. Built up refers to the building up of waterproof layers with the mopped tar.

Cedar Shakes-Comes in random widths, lengths and very expensive.

Clay or Bermuda Tile-Clay tile is usually a half round clay product which has been kiln baked to a hardness which gives a wearing surface that needs no paint. Bermuda roofing is formed from light weight cement and/or gypsum products to give the appearance of a heavy, wide lapped roof.

Concrete Tile-A cement product in either flat or half round form which is laid over a built up surface and painted.

Corrugated Asbestos-Asbestos manufactured in sheets which can be fastened to either wood or metal.

Enameled Metal Shingle-Metal shingles with an enamel coating. This type of shingle is usually predrilled and fastened down by nailing to some type of sheathing on strips.

Corrugated or Sheet Metal-Sheet metal is either flat, corrugated or V-crimp metal of either aluminum or steel products and is fastened over wood or steel framing.

Rolled or Built-up Composition-A roofing consisting of asbestos felt saturated with asphalt and assembled with asphalt cement, which comes in rolls and is fastened down to a wood, composition or gypsum decking with tar and nails.

Rubberized-All of the new lines of rubber composition or plastic roofing materials used on flat roof surfaces.

Slate-Shingles made of slate fastened down to sheathing or strips.

Wood Shingles-These are usually cedar and redwood shingles and usually appear on expensive homes.

Interior Wall Construction

Drywall-A sandwich of plaster with paper surfaces normally available in 4' x 8' sheets which are cut to fit. It is fastened to studding or furring strips and requires a seal where joints occur.

Masonry Interior Wall-Normally exterior walls which serve as an interior wall face usually of brick or block material which are usually unfinished although they may be painted.

Plastered-This refers to all plaster on lath interior walls.

Plywood Panel-These are mostly inexpensive 4' x 8' plywood panels which are decorative in nature and characteristically a veneer.

Wall Board or Wood Wall-Wall Boards come in many makes or trade names but all are made up of a composition of materials to form boards which are usually 4' x 8' in size. These are treated paper such as "Celotex", plaster boards or other paper products pressed together.

Wood Panel or Custom-Very high-grade plywood veneers or solid hardwoods in tongue and groove which are used as interior finish.

Interior Flooring

Asphalt Tile- This applies to the various composition tiles that are laid over wood or concrete floors and includes the concrete or wood.

Carpet-Carpeting is the floor finish where the base is prepared and the carpet acts as the finish and includes the underlay. Carpet is fastened to the floor.

Ceramic Clay Tile-Same as finished or baked clay tile set in grout or concrete.

Concrete Tapered-Same as finished concrete except raised usually to a loading dock level.

Concrete Finished-A floor finish where the concrete is troweled or a hardener applied with no other floor covering.

Cork or Vinyl Tile-All types of solid vinyl or cork tile.

Hardwood-A layer of hard wood usually over subflooring.

Marble-Refers to various expensive stones set in grout on concrete.

Parquet-Refers to a wearing surface made up of small pieces of hardwood set in patterns or designs over a subflooring. Can also be made up in blocks and laid in mastic over concrete.

Pine or Soft Woods-Floor finish of pine or other similar soft wood.

Plywood/Linoleum-A single layer of light wood usually of small thickness laid on floor joists; a composition material known as linoleum, which comes in sheets or tiles and is used as a floor covering.

Precast Concrete-Applies in this case to either pre-stressed or poured concrete floors which are suspended as in multi-story commercial buildings.

Quarry or Hard Tile-Refers to tiles which are machine made and unglazed.

Sheet Vinyl-A smooth seamless floor covering material manufactured with a resilient backing usually to either concrete or wood subflooring.

Slate-Refers to cut or random broken slate set in grout over concrete.

Terrazzo Epoxy Strip-A ground and polished terrazzo where metal with a finite modular spacing are incorporated in the poured terrazzo.

Vinyl Asbestos-A tough, strong, non-crystalline, thermoplastic tile.

Heating Fuel

Electric-Electrical

Gas-Natural or manufactured gas

Oil-Oil fired

Solar-Use of sun's radiation to heat

Heating Type

Baseboard-This refers to heating units which employ no mechanical methods to circulate the heated air.

Forced Air-Ducted-A central heating system that provides for the distribution of the air through ducts or conduits to the various parts of the building.

Forced Air-Not Ducted-A heating element and fan and/or blower enclosed in a common housing for circulating the heated air but no duct distribution system.

Heat Pump-A reverse cycle refrigeration unit which can be used for heating or cooling.

Hot Water-(Steam heat) A system of heating a building, usually commercial, by means of hot water and/or steam circulating through pipes, coils and radiators placed in rooms for that purpose.

Radiant Electric- A heating system which heats a room only by use of the floor, ceiling or walls as heating panels. Most contemporary radiant heating systems have extensive pipe coils in the floor structure or in the walls and ceilings which are to be used as heating panels.

Radiant Water-Same as radiant electric only the fuel or radiant source is from heated water as opposed to electric current. Usually used with solar heat.

Direct Steam Heat-A heating system using radiators in the rooms to be heated, the steam or vapor being delivered from boiler to radiators through one of several arrangements of piping. The one pipe gravity vapor system is used for larger installations.

Air Conditioning Type

Central-Refers to a central cooling system with duct work, thermostats and forced cold air.

Chilled Water-Usually a commercial air conditioning system utilizing a cooling tower as a heat exchanger and associated compressors with ducting.

Packaged Roof Top-Usually found in commercial buildings. The air conditioning unit is located on the roof of the property.

Wall/Window Unit-A unit air conditioning system self-contained usually placed in a window although sometimes placed in an exterior wall.

Quality Adjustment

Minimum-To be used on low cost construction which meets the minimum building code requirements. Interior and exterior finished are plain with little or no attention given to detail.

Below Average-To be used on low cost construction which meets the minimum construction requirements of lending institutions, mortgage insuring agencies and building codes. Interior finish is plain. Exterior ornamentation is typically limited to the front of the structure.

Average-To be used on mass produced construction which meets or slightly exceeds the minimum construction requirements of lending institutions, mortgage insuring agencies and building codes. Cabinets, doors and plumbing fixtures are standard stock items. Exterior fenestration will be adequate. Exterior ornamentation is typically limited to the front of the structure.

Above Average-To be used on construction which exceeds the minimum construction requirements of lending institutions, mortgage insuring agencies and building codes. Interior finish typically consists of good quality wallpaper or wood paneling. Exteriors have good fenestration with ornamental materials.

Above Average Custom-to be used on construction typically found in high quality developments. Interior finish consists of high quality wallpaper, hardwood paneling or ceramic tile. Cabinets and countertops are high quality. Doors are usually hardwood veneer. Bedrooms typically contain large walk-in closets. Exteriors have well designed fenestration with some custom ornamentation and trim.

Excellent-To be used on construction which contains the highest quality of workmanship, finishes and appointments. These structures are usually individually designed and have considerable attention to detail. Interior finish consists of the highest quality wallpaper, hardwood paneling or ceramic tile. Cabinets are usually custom designed. Bedrooms contain large walk-in closets with built-in features. Exteriors have well designed fenestration. Custom ornamentation such as select brick and cut stone are frequently used.

Depreciation

Actual Year Built-The year a structure was built.

Effective Year Built-The age indicated by the condition and utility of a structure.

Economic Obsolescence-A percentage to be added to the normal depreciation to account for increased depreciation due to the impairment of desirability or useful life of the property from an external factor.

Functional Obsolescence-A percentage to be added to the normal depreciation to account for increased depreciation due to the impairment of desirability or useful life of the property from an internal factor.

Percent Condition- The actual total percent condition of the improvement after the depreciation reflected by one of the Special Condition Codes. NOTE: To use the Percent Condition one of the Special Condition Codes must be used. Also, care must be taken in the use of these codes as they will override the depreciation developed from the normal depreciation, economic obsolescence and functional obsolescence.

Ownership %-The percentage of common land, recreational building, golf privileges, etc. which are available to the unit owner.

Dwelling Information

Number of Bathrooms- The total number of bathrooms in the building. A full bath consists of a tub or shower, bowl and basin. A half bath is any lesser combination having a bowl and one other feature.

Number of Bedrooms-Check the appropriate number of bedrooms for single family homes.

Number of Single-Family Residential Stories-Check the appropriate number of stories for single family homes.

- Fireplaces-
1. None
 2. Prefab
 3. One story single stack with one outlet
 4. Two story single stack or a double fireplace outlet with a single story stack
 5. Two or more fireplaces
 6. Massive: A large hearth and stack with stone or brick
 7. Two or more massive
 8. Prefab two or more

Commercial Heating & Air Conditioning

Heating & Air Conditioning Package-Provides for heating and cooling together. The distribution of the air is provided through ducts or conduit leading from the unit to the various parts of the building. The source of supply normally is a single reverse cycle unit.

Heating & Air Conditioning Split-A system which provides for both the heating and cooling of the building. The distribution system includes ducts for distributing the air to the rooms. The source of supply is normally two separate units, one for heating and one for cooling.

Condominium, Townhouse or Apartment

Floor-The floor level the subject unit is on.

Location-Use the following two digit codes:

- CN: Corner, no view
- CV: Corner, with view
- NV: No corner, with view
- NN: No corner, no view

Number of Units-The total number of units in the condominium or townhouse.

Quality Adjustment

Minimum-Low cost construction that meets minimum building code requirements.

Below Average-Low cost construction that meets construction requirements of lending institutions, mortgage insuring agencies and building code requirements.

Average-Meets or exceeds the minimum construction requirements of lending institutions, mortgage insuring agencies and building codes. Usually mass produced.

Above Average-Typically constructed of the best grade of standard stock materials.

Above Average Custom-Constructed with high grade materials. Workmanship is of high quality. Attention is given to detail.

Excellent-Usually individually designed and contain the highest quality workmanship. All materials used are top quality. Extensive attention is given to detail.

Structural Frame

Fireproof Steel-A steel structural frame which has been encased in fire resistive material.

Masonry-Structural frame of stone, brick, cement, concrete, etc., which is not reinforced.

Reinforced Concrete-Structural frame of concrete which has been reinforced with steel bars.

Special-Used where the structural frame is more costly due to complicated combinations or uses of any of the structural frames.

Steel-Structural frame of steel.

Wood Frame-Wooden structural frame supporting the floors, walls, roofs and partitions.

Prefabricated-Pre-engineered framing utilizing sections assembled at the construction site.

Ceiling and Insulation Quality

Ceiling Insulated Only:

1. Suspended Acoustical Ceilings
2. Non-suspended Ceilings
3. No Finished Ceiling

Wall Insulated Only

1. Suspended Acoustical Ceilings
2. Non-suspended Ceilings
3. No Finished Ceiling

Ceiling and Walls Insulated

1. Suspended Acoustical Ceilings
2. Non-suspended Ceilings
3. No Finished Ceiling

No Insulation

1. Suspended Acoustical Ceilings
2. Non-suspended Ceilings
3. No Finished Ceiling

Average Number of Rooms Per Floor-For commercial buildings, determine the average number of rooms per floor and enter here. A room is defined as any area having three or more sides in the form of walls reaching to the ceiling of the room. Enter 01, 02, etc.

Estimated Percent Common Wall-Estimate the percentage of shared wall to the nearest 25% based upon the perimeter of the wall.

Nonstandard Wall Height-The height in feet, applied to some industrial warehouse properties. Record the height of the base area only.

Marketability-The subject's comparability in terms of marketing to other properties within the neighborhood.

Pre-Engineered Building-A building constructed of pre-designed manufactured and assembled units such as wall, framing, floor and roof panels erected at the construction site.

Prefabrication-The manufacturing and assembling of construction materials and parts into component structural units, such as wall, floor and roof panels which are later erected at the construction site.