

# Homeowners Faced with 1961 Tax Bill

## City Taxes Steady As School, County Assessments Climb

Torrance property owners last week received their annual tax bills and noted grimly that the tab had again climbed skyward.

Tax base in Torrance climbed slightly less than \$20 on a home assessed at \$4000 . . . almost an exact reflection of the 50-cent tax override voted to the local school district last spring.

Apparent \$1 saved on the taxes of the same home was the result of the five-cent reduction in city taxes effected by the city council during the mid-year budget sessions.

According to a report by the county, which was released Friday, property owners are paying, on a home assessed at \$4000, a total of \$351.61 per year in taxes.

### MOSTLY SCHOOLS

Of this total, \$190.40 goes to the local school district, while \$49.62 goes to the city government. These two bills, coupled with \$82.36 for the county and \$29.33 allocated to special assessment districts, comprise the total.

Total assessment base for the local taxpayer is \$7903 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Comparisons with other nearby cities shows Torrance straddling the median . . . halfway between Manhattan Beach with a high of \$9.886 per \$100, and El Segundo with a low of \$6.2795.

Other rates listed show Gardena, \$7.7514; Rolling Hills Estates, \$7.9813; Palos Verdes Estates, \$8.3846; Rolling Hills, \$8.7913; and Hawthorne, \$9.0916.

It's a small comfort to the beleaguered homeowner, businessman and taxpayer, faced with the necessity of paying this annual assessment to know that this is the usual price for living in a growing and dynamic city.

The outstanding growth of Torrance over the past decade is, indeed, unique and it is to the credit of the city government that the tax line has been held relatively static while school and county costs have been mounting.

Variations in property taxes throughout Los Angeles County are shown on the following table. Estimates are based on a home assessed at 4000.

Community	Tax Total	School	County	City	Special Rate Per \$100
Beverly Hills	221.51	109.81	82.36	28.34	5.8378
Commercen	227.10	109.81	82.36	34.93	5.6776
El Segundo	231.18	112.60	82.36	36.08	22.42
Long Beach	256.29	146.20	82.36	27.73	6.4073
Pasadena	264.93	153.39	82.36	18.65	6.6234
Burbank	270.19	115.10	82.36	89.20	13.58
Santa Monica	273.11	152.42	82.36	66.80	18.53
Vernon	273.47	152.90	82.36	5.60	32.61
Signal Hill	286.37	146.20	82.36	80.80	37.01
Montebello	286.58	159.81	82.36	55.32	36.04
Bell Gardens	288.60	159.81	82.36	0	96.43
Glendale	297.66	153.67	82.36	48.00	13.53
South Gate	299.90	152.90	82.36	24.60	39.34
Cudahy	299.90	152.90	82.36	0	64.34
La Crescenta	312.89	153.67	82.36	0	76.86
Avalon	314.64	146.20	82.36	70.00	6.42
Temple City	307.82	166.76	82.36	0	88.60
Lakewood	308.22	146.20	82.36	14.80	64.86
Artesia	308.70	162.73	82.36	0	44.90
Gardena	310.06	152.90	82.36	32.00	42.79
Huntington Park	310.64	152.90	82.36	36.00	39.38
Downey	311.16	171.69	82.36	11.60	45.51
La Crescenta	312.89	153.67	82.36	0	78.86
Maywood	314.64	152.90	82.36	40.00	39.38
San Marino	316.75	142.29	82.36	60.40	24.68
San Fernando	318.40	152.90	82.36	63.20	19.94
Rolling Hills Estates	319.25	171.91	82.36	5.60	69.88
Lynwood	322.42	170.23	82.36	22.80	30.03
Compton	324.75	169.55	82.36	88.00	84.44
Duarte	325.74	189.28	82.36	0	84.10
Alhambra	328.23	162.90	82.36	0	81.97
Palmdale	328.54	175.28	82.36	0	70.90
South San Gabriel	328.70	185.66	82.36	0	63.08
East Los Angeles	329.28	152.90	82.36	0	84.19
Alhambra	329.70	165.68	82.36	62.10	19.47
Sierra Madre	330.41	166.16	82.36	61.28	20.61
Monterey Park	331.54	168.58	82.36	63.20	20.82
Encinitas	332.01	173.61	82.36	0	77.04
San Gabriel	334.13	175.03	82.36	50.00	26.74
Los Angeles	334.67	182.90	82.36	78.78	19.25
Van Nuys (L.A. City)	334.67	152.90	82.36	79.78	19.83
Palos Verdes Estates	335.56	171.91	82.36	44.80	66.29
South Pasadena	335.74	160.74	82.36	78.16	19.48
South El Monte	336.36	197.45	82.36	0	66.65
Bell	336.73	152.90	82.36	84.80	47.07
Inglewood	336.95	169.46	82.36	41.80	42.31
Lennox	337.85	188.97	82.36	0	71.82
Rosemead	339.41	182.12	82.36	0	74.93
El Monte	341.03	197.48	82.36	44.80	27.02
La Puente	346.90	201.59	82.36	0	62.95
Monrovia	346.97	174.80	82.36	69.20	20.61
Brandenburg	349.78	339.28	82.36	34.50	44.14
Culver City	350.58	165.39	82.36	74.80	23.33
Torrance	351.61	190.40	82.36	49.82	29.33
Rolling Hills	351.61	171.91	82.36	28.00	69.38
Lawndale	354.18	190.61	82.36	0	72.19
West Covina	354.90	206.13	82.36	37.50	31.21
Atenas	357.07	192.42	82.36	58.00	24.29
City of Industry	358.40	211.25	82.36	0	64.49
Irwindale	359.10	220.66	82.36	0	66.18
Paramount	359.66	208.16	82.36	4.00	53.74
Glendora	361.41	190.75	82.36	55.20	53.10
Redondo Beach	363.26	189.35	82.36	51.60	80.06
Hawthorne	365.54	201.32	82.36	28.80	40.55
Pomona	370.59	179.16	82.36	75.60	43.38
San Dimas	371.67	211.60	82.36	14.80	62.01
Dairy Valley	372.30	214.07	82.36	0	73.87
Walnut	373.04	195.48	82.36	34.14	70.06
Bellflower	376.32	215.69	82.36	0	77.36
Baldwin Park	382.04	218.54	82.36	0	75.30
Manhattan Beach	383.44	198.81	82.36	25.60	96.87
Covina	383.62	220.56	82.36	56.40	24.80
Hermosa Beach	384.44	211.02	82.36	44.40	48.68
Whittier	387.67	209.54	82.36	60.00	35.87
Pico Rivera	389.54	228.96	82.36	0	78.22
Claremont	389.89	207.76	82.36	58.60	41.11
Artesia	390.54	214.07	82.36	0	81.51
La Mirada	390.72	213.49	82.36	0	94.87
La Verne	402.67	211.60	82.36	67.60	41.89
Norwalk	418.74	215.49	82.36	0	123.89

### New Coaches

Rock Bridges and Del Rice, two of the Los Angeles Angels top veterans last year, have been named coaches for the club for 1962, it has been announced by General

Manager Fred Haney. At the same time, the Angels announced that pitching coach Marv Grissom and Jack Paepke would return to fill out the quartet of aides for manager Bill Rigney.



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Floating activities will be in progress immediately after the rally, at 9 p.m. until 10 a.m. on Saturday.

Judging of the floats will then begin and will end at 12:30 p.m. The judging will occur in Murdock Stadium.

Spectators will be able to see the winning floats during half-time of the Homecoming Game beginning at 2 p.m.; however, all of the

floats will circle around the prior to the game-time, start-track inside the stadium at 1 p.m.

Rel James, chairman of the Homecoming Committee, said, tremendous effort is being made to welcome the community and alumni to Homecoming festivities."

Chairmen for the various homecoming committees are Karen Harrelson, chairman for the Queen Committee; Eddy Wood, chairman of the Float Committee; Mel Bolton, chairman of the trophies committee; Jim Brissan, chairman of the clean-up and control committee, and

Roger Blewett, chairman of the publicity committee.

Chairman of the judges committee is Babs MacNaughton.

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