

TEMBISA CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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WE, TEMBISA CIVIC ASSOCIATION OBJECT TO THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN TARIFFS RATES, LEVY AND RE-CONNECTION FEES AS PUBLISHED IN THE "STAR" JOHANNESBURG DATED 25th & 26th MAY 1984 FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

1. THE ABOVE PUBLICATION BEING A RECTIFICATION OF A PREVIOUS PROPOSAL WOULD RESULT IN AN INCREASE OF R4.00 PER SITE, R20.00 PER BUSINESS SITE AND R3.00 PER HOSTEL BED WOULD BE UNNECESSARY.
  - 1(a) PHASE 1 OF THE ELECTRICITY MASTERPLAN IS INCOMPLETE DESPITE LEVIES FROM 1981 TO THE END OF 1983, BECAUSE OF POOR PLANNING ALLOCATION ON PART OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL OR THE ELECTRICITY TENDER.
    - 1(a) I. RETICULATION FEE OF R170.00 (PHASE 1) AND R280.00 (PHASE 2) PUTS A QUESTION ON THE PROJECTED ESTIMATED FOR THE REMAINING PHASES.
      - (b). ELECTRICITY IS A SERVICE WHICH WE DO NOT HAVE (1979-ELECTRICITY 1981-MASTERPLAN).
      - (c) THERE IS NO CLARIFICATION REGARDING REFUNDS ON " SWITCHED ON" RENTED HOUSES SHOULD THE OCCUPANT LEAVE.
      - (d). ELECTRICITY IS NOT A PRIORITY IN TEMBISA AT THIS STAGE. IT IS A LUXURY TO THE MAJORITY OF THE RESIDENTS. WE REGARD THE FOLLOWING AS PRIORITIES:
        - (I). SEWERAGE - BUCKET SYSTEM IS A HAZARD.
        - (II). HOUSING - THE WAITING LIST STANDS AT MORE THAN 4000. HOUSES PRESENTLY BEING BUILD ARE BEYOND THE REACH OF THE MAN-IN-THE-STREET.
        - (III). ROADS - - CURRENT STATE OF ROADS IS DEPLORABLE.
        - (IV). CRECHES AND CLINICS ARE INSUFFICIENT.
        - (V). AMBULANCES SERVING THE TOWNSHIP ARE INSUFFICIENT.
2. THERE IS A CATEGORY OF RESIDENTS WHO ARE STRUGGLING TO PAY THE CURRENT RENTS e.g PENSIONERS, WIDOWS AND UNEMPLOYED.
  - (I). THE PRESENT ECONOMIC RECESSION HAS LED TO MASS UNEMPLOYMENT. THIS, COUPLED WITH THE DROUGHT HAS AFFECTED EACH BREADWINNER'S ABILITY TO PAY TRANSPORTATION TARIFFS.
  - (II). THE RECENT PRICE HIKES IN THE BASIC FOODSTUFFS HAS FURTHER AFFECTED THE RESIDENTS POCKETS WITHOUT A CONCOMITANT INCREASE IN SALARIES.
3. THE MASTERPLAN DOES NOT DISTINGUISH BETWEEN HOUSEHOLDERS WHO HAD ELECTRICITY BEFORE THE INCEPTION THEREOF AND THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE.
4. THE RESIDENTS WERE INITIALLY MISLED INTO BELIEVING THAT THE MASTERPLAN WOULD BRING ELECTRICITY TO THE HOUSEHOLDS.

FROM THE ABOVE AND OTHER REASONS WE ( TEMBISA CIVIC ASSOCIATION) MAINTAIN THAT THE INTENDED INCREASED TARIFFS ARE TOTALLY UNJUSTIFIABLE.

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