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This article reports on a case at the High Court which considered the imposition of an additional charge in rates and taxes for an “illegal use” of part of the property as a home exercise studio. The taxpayer had been granted a business licence for the use by Randburg Town Council which was later devolved to the City of Johannesburg. The High Court ordered the City to reverse all charges against the taxpayer.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

[Homeowner vindicated after CoJ’s ‘illegal use’ property rates declared unlawful - Moneyweb](#)