



**FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION
ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD**

APPELLANT: Jeffrey Frient
DOCKET NO.: 17-23796.001-R-1 through 17-23796.002-R-1
PARCEL NO.: See Below

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Jeffrey Frient, the appellant, by attorney Robert Rosenfeld, of Robert H. Rosenfeld and Associates, LLC in Chicago; and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds **No Change** in the assessment of the property as established by the **Cook** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

DOCKET NO	PARCEL NUMBER	LAND	IMPRVMT	TOTAL
17-23796.001-R-1	05-29-201-014-0000	71,351	293,419	\$364,770
17-23796.002-R-1	05-29-201-012-0000	8,415	0	\$8,415

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Cook County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2017 tax year. The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of the appeal.

Findings of Fact

The subject property consists of a two-story dwelling of masonry exterior construction with 9,227 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 7 years old. Features of the home include a partial basement with finished area, central air conditioning, three fireplaces, and a four-car garage. The property consists of two parcels containing a total of 56,976 square feet of land area and is located in Winnetka, New Trier Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-09 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends assessment inequity with respect to the improvement as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on three comparables located within the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables are improved with class 2-09 dwellings of masonry exterior construction that range in size from

8,403 to 10,511 square feet of living area and range in age from 61 to 91 years old. The comparables have other features with varying degrees of similarity to the subject. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$177,064 to \$231,524 or from \$20.73 to \$22.08 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's improvement assessment to \$199,426 or \$21.61 per square foot of living area.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject on only one parcel that has the improvement. The subject has an improvement assessment of \$293,419 or \$31.80 per square foot of living area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on three equity comparables that are located within the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables are improved with two-story, class 2-09 dwellings of masonry exterior construction that range in size from 7,678 to 8,457 square feet of living area and range in age from 4 to 80 years old. The comparables have other features with varying degrees of similarity to the subject. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$283,310 to \$392,541 or from \$33.50 to \$51.13 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

Conclusion of Law

The appellant contends assessment inequity as the basis of the appeal. When unequal treatment in the assessment process is the basis of the appeal, the inequity of the assessments must be proved by clear and convincing evidence. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of unequal treatment in the assessment process should consist of documentation of the assessments for the assessment year in question of not less than three comparable properties showing the similarity, proximity and lack of distinguishing characteristics of the assessment comparables to the subject. The Board finds the appellant did not meet this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

The record contains six equity comparables for the Board's consideration. The Board gave less weight to appellant's comparable #2 and board of review comparable #1 due to differences in dwelling size when compared to the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence assessment equity to be the parties' remaining comparables which are more similar in dwelling size to the subject. However, three of the four comparables were considerably older dwellings. The four comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$177,064 to \$370,708 or from \$20.73 to \$44.89 per square foot of living area. The Board finds board of review comparable #2 overall is most similar to the subject in age and dwelling size. The subject has an improvement assessment of \$293,419 or \$31.80 per square foot of living area, which is within the range established by the best comparables in this record and well supported by the most similar comparable. After considering adjustments to the comparables for differences including age when compared to the subject, the Board finds the subject's improvement assessment is equitably assessed and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not justified.

This is a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board which is subject to review in the Circuit Court or Appellate Court under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.) and section 16-195 of the Property Tax Code. Pursuant to Section 1910.50(d) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(d)) the proceeding before the Property Tax Appeal Board is terminated when the decision is rendered. The Property Tax Appeal Board does not require any motion or request for reconsideration.



Chairman



Member



Member



Member



Member

DISSENTING: _____

CERTIFICATION

As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and the keeper of the Records thereof, I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Final Administrative Decision of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this said office.

Date:

August 24, 2021



Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

"If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel after the deadline for filing complaints with the Board of Review or after adjournment of the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year or years of the same general assessment period, as provided in Sections 9-125 through 9-225, are being considered, the taxpayer may, within 30 days after the date of written notice of the Property Tax Appeal Board's decision, appeal the assessment for such subsequent year or years directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A PETITION AND EVIDENCE WITH THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE ENCLOSED DECISION IN ORDER TO APPEAL THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR OR YEARS. A separate petition and evidence must be filed for each of the remaining years of the general assessment period.

Based upon the issuance of a lowered assessment by the Property Tax Appeal Board, the refund of paid property taxes is the responsibility of your County Treasurer. Please contact that office with any questions you may have regarding the refund of paid property taxes.

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