



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

APPELLANT: Kiki Papas  
DOCKET NO.: 18-38156.001-R-1  
PARCEL NO.: 13-01-120-032-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Kiki Papas, the appellant, by attorney George N. Reveliotis, of Reveliotis Law, P.C. in Park Ridge; 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:

**LAND:** \$12,834  
**IMPR.:** \$63,796  
**TOTAL:** \$76,630

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 2018 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 three-story multi-family dwelling of masonry exterior construction with 9,666 square feet of building area. The dwelling is approximately 88 years old. Features of the home include a basement and a three-car garage. The property has a 7,130 square foot site and is located in Chicago, Jefferson Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-11 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on four comparable sales with the same neighborhood code as the subject property. The comparables are class 2-11 multi-family buildings of masonry exterior construction ranging in size from 2,672 to 5,511 square feet of building area. The buildings range in age from 64 to 96 years old and have basements. Three comparables each have a two-

car garage. The comparables have from 3,720 to 6,197 square foot sites and sold from June 2016 to March 2018 for prices ranging from \$124,000 to \$358,000 or from \$34.07 to \$69.52 per square foot of building area, land included.

Based on this evidence, the appellant requested that the subject's total assessment be reduced to \$54,928, which reflects a market value of \$549,280 or \$56.83 per square foot of building area, land included, when applying the level of assessment for class 2 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance of 10%.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$76,630, which reflects a market value of \$79.28 per square foot of building area, land included, when applying the level of assessment for class 2 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance of 10%.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on four comparable sales with the same neighborhood code as the subject property. The comparables are class 2-11 multi-family buildings of masonry exterior construction ranging in size from 4,995 to 5,697 square feet of building area. The buildings range in age from 90 to 92 years old. Three comparables each have a basement, one comparable has central air conditioning, and each comparable has a two-car garage. The comparables have 4,125 square foot sites and sold from August 2016 to May 2018 for prices ranging from \$475,000 to \$629,000 or from \$93.91 to \$112.20 per square foot of building area, land included. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested that the subject's assessment be confirmed.

### **Conclusion of Law**

The appellant contends the market value of the subject property is not accurately reflected in its assessed valuation. When market value is the basis of the appeal the value of the property must be proved by a preponderance of the evidence. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of market value may consist of an appraisal of the subject property, a recent sale, comparable sales or construction costs. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(c). The Board finds the appellant did not meet this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

The parties submitted a total of eight comparable sales for the Board's consideration, which have smaller lot sizes and also have building sizes that are from 43% to 72% smaller than the subject building. Less weight is given by the Board to the appellant's four comparables sales as well as the board of review comparable sale #3 which significantly differ from the subject in building size and/or sold in 2016, and, therefore, are less likely to reflect the subject's market value as of January 1, 2018 assessment date at issue for the subject property. The Board also gives less weight to the board of review comparable sale #1 which lacks a basement, unlike the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the board of review comparable sales #2 and #4. These two comparable sales are overall more similar to the subject in age, building size, and sold more proximate in time to the January 1, 2018 assessment date at issue for the subject property. These two comparables sold in December 2017 and May 2018 for prices of \$475,000 and \$629,000 or \$95.10 and \$112.20 per square foot of building area, including land, respectively. The subject's assessment reflects an estimated market value of \$766,300 or \$79.28

per square foot of building area, including land, which falls above the range established by the two most similar comparable sales in this record on a total market value basis but below the range on a per-square-foot basis. After considering the economies of scale and adjustments to the two most similar comparable sales for differences when compared to the subject, including but not limited to their significantly smaller lot sizes and building sizes, the Board finds no reduction in the subject's estimated market value as reflected by its assessment is 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: February 21, 2023



\_\_\_\_\_  
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.

PARTIES OF RECORD

AGENCY

State of Illinois  
Property Tax Appeal Board  
William G. Stratton Building, Room 402  
401 South Spring Street  
Springfield, IL 62706-4001

APPELLANT

Kiki Papas, by attorney:  
George N. Reveliotis  
Reveliotis Law, P.C.  
1030 Higgins Road  
Suite 101  
Park Ridge, IL 60068

COUNTY

Cook County Board of Review  
County Building, Room 601  
118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL 60602