

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Blue Chair Capital, LLC

DOCKET NO.: 22-49244.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 25-20-306-017-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Blue Chair Capital, LLC, the appellant, by Robert Rosenfeld, attorney-at-law of Robert H. Rosenfeld & Associates, LLC in Northbrook, 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:** \$1,875 **IMPR.:** \$6,125 **TOTAL:** \$8,000

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 2022 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 is improved with a one-story dwelling of masonry exterior construction with 880 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 60 years old. Features of the property include a crawl space foundation, central air conditioning, one bathroom and a 1.5-car garage. The property has a 3,750 square foot site located in Chicago, Lake Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-02 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends assessment inequity as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on four equity comparables consisting of class 2-02 properties improved with one-story dwellings of masonry exterior construction that have either 919 or 935 square feet of living area. Each home is 66 years old. Each comparable has a partial basement, central air conditioning, one bathroom, and a 2-car garage. The comparables

have the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and are located approximately 1.7 or 1.8 miles from the subject property. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$4,375 to \$5,000 or from \$4.68 to \$5.44 per square foot of living area. The appellant requested the subject's improvement assessment be reduced to \$4,330.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$8,000. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$6,125 or \$6.96 per square foot of living area. In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four equity comparables composed of class 2-02 properties improved with one-story dwellings of masonry exterior construction that have 900 or 969 square feet of living area. The homes range in age from 53 to 59 years old. Each property has a full unfinished basement, and one bathroom. One comparable has a 2.5-car garage. These properties have the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property and are located in the same block or ¼ of a mile from the subject property. The comparables have improvement assessments of \$8,125 or \$8,438 and \$8.71 or \$9.03 per square foot of living area.

# **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 property. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(b). 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 information on eight comparables with the same classification code and neighborhood code as the subject property to support their respective positions. The comparables submitted by the parties are similar to the subject dwelling in size and age. The Board finds, however, the comparables submitted by the board of review are to be given more weight because they are more proximate to the subject property in location than are the comparables provided by the appellant. The Board finds the board of review comparables have superior full basement foundations in relation to the subject's slab foundation, necessitating downward adjustments to make them more equivalent to the subject for this dissimilarity. Conversely, none of the board of review comparables have central air conditioning and three have no garage, features of the subject property, requiring upward adjustments to make the comparables more equivalent to the subject for these attributes. The board of review comparables have improvement assessments of \$8,125 or \$8,438 and \$8.71 or \$9.03 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$6,125 or \$6.96 per square foot of living area falls below the range established by the best comparables in this record. Based on this record, after considering the adjustments to the best comparables, the Board finds the appellant did not demonstrate with clear and convincing evidence that the subject's improvement was inequitably 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.

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# **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 18, 2025
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#### **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 <u>PETITION AND EVIDENCE</u> 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

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