



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

APPELLANT: Gerald M. Taranko
DOCKET NO.: 22-50387.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 03-18-315-010-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Gerald M. Taranko, the appellant(s), 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: \$12,106
IMPR.: \$29,396
TOTAL: \$41,502

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 consists of an approximately 39-year-old dwelling of frame and masonry construction with 2,202 square feet of living area. Features of the property include a partial basement, central air conditioning, and a two-car garage. The property has an 11,005 square foot site located in Arlington Heights, Wheeling Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-78 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance. The record discloses that the subject was owner-occupied during the lien year.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on four sales comparable properties with varying degrees of similarity to the subject. The appellant reported that the suggested comparable properties were located within a 1.4-mile radius of the subject. The suggested comparable properties were all class 2-78 properties, ranging in age from 39 to 52 years in age, in size from 2,201 to 2,486

square feet of living area, and are dwellings of frame and masonry construction. They sold from February 2020 to April 2021 for prices ranging from \$158.69 to \$183.33 per square foot of living area, including land. The appellant also submitted the subject's board of review decision letter dated July 24, 2023, which disclosed a total assessment of \$41,503. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's total assessment to \$38,004.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$41,503. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$415,030 or \$188.48 per square foot of living area, including land, when applying the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance of 10% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four sales comparable properties with varying degrees of similarities to the subject. The suggested comparable properties are located within the same subarea as the subject. They are described as two-story dwellings of frame and masonry construction. They range in age from 38 to 43 years in age and in size from 2,059 to 2,486 square feet of living area. They sold from October 2020 to October 2022 for prices ranging from \$174.98 to \$244.44 per square foot of living area, including land. Based on this evidence the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

Conclusion of Law

The taxpayer asserts that 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 taxpayer must prove the value of the property by a preponderance of the evidence. 86 Ill. Admin. Code §1910.63(e); Winnebago County Bd. of Review v. Property Tax Appeal Bd., 313 Ill. App. 3d 1038, 1043 (2d Dist. 2000). 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 on this basis is not warranted.

The Board finds that the subject's total assessed value is \$41,502 per the board of review decision letter. Therefore, the subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$415,020 or \$188.47 per square foot of living area, including land, when applying the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance of 10% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

The Board concludes that the best evidence of the subject's market value is the board of review's suggested comparables #1, #3, and #4 appellant's comparables #3 and #4. The comparables are similar in location, construction, size and amenities in that they are two-story dwellings of frame and masonry construction with similar living areas and located within the same subarea as the subject property.

The Board finds that the best evidence in this record are the comparables sold between October 2020 and October 2022, for amounts ranging from \$158.69 to \$244.44 per square foot of living area, land included in the sale price. The subject property's assessment reflects a market value of

\$415,030, land included, or \$188.47 per square foot of living area, which is within the range established by the best comparables in the record. Accordingly, the Board determines that the appellant has not established by a preponderance of the evidence that the subject property was overvalued. Based on the evidence, the Board therefore finds that a reduction in the subject's assessment on this basis 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



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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: June 16, 2026



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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