



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

APPELLANT: Helen Chatzis  
DOCKET NO.: 22-50778.001-R-1  
PARCEL NO.: 10-27-220-036-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Helen Chatzis, 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:** \$7,472  
**IMPR.:** \$27,354  
**TOTAL:** \$34,826

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 a one-story dwelling of masonry exterior construction with 1,556 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 68 years old. Features of the home include a full basement with finished area, central air conditioning and a 1.5-car garage. The property has a 5,535 square foot site and is located in Skokie, Niles Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-03 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 comparables that have the same property classification code and assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables are located from .1 of a mile to 1.3 miles from the subject property. Comparables #1, #2 and #3 have sites that range in

size from 4,059 to 5,535 square feet of land area.<sup>1</sup> The comparables are improved with one-story dwellings of masonry or frame or masonry exterior construction ranging in size from 1,480 to 1,750 square feet of living area. The dwellings are from 68 to 82 years old. Three comparables each have a full or partial basement with finished area and one comparable has a concrete slab foundation. Each comparable has central air conditioning. Two comparables each have a fireplace and three comparables each have either a one-car or a two-car garage. The properties sold from October 2020 to January 2022 for prices ranging from \$220,000 to \$325,000 or from \$125.71 to \$211.04 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$27,618, reflecting a market value of \$276,180 or \$177.49 per square foot of living 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." The appellant provided a copy of the Cook County Board of Review decision for the 2022 tax year disclosing the final total assessment for the subject of \$34,826. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$348,260 or \$223.82 per square foot of living area, including land, 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 properties that have the same property classification code and assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables are located within the same block as the subject or approximately ¼ of a mile from the subject property, two of which are also along the same street as the subject. The comparables have sites that range in size from 4,920 to 6,150 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with one-story dwellings of masonry exterior construction ranging in size from 1,015 to 1,326 square feet of living area. The dwellings are from 62 to 68 years old. The comparables each have a full basement with finished area and central air conditioning. Comparable #2 has a one-car garage. The properties sold from April 2021 to June 2022 for prices ranging from \$325,000 to \$500,000 or from \$268.15 to \$426.60 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

### **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 record contains eight comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board has given less weight to the appellant's comparable #2 which sold in 2020, less proximate to the January 1,

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<sup>1</sup> The appellant provided conflicting data with respect to the site size of comparable #4 of either 62,000 or 6,200 square feet of land area.

2022 assessment date than other sales in the record. The Board has also given less weight to the appellant's comparables #3 and #4 due to differences from the subject in age or location, being more than one mile away from the subject. The Board has given reduced weight to board of review comparables #1, #2 and #3 due to their smaller dwelling sizes when compared to the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the appellant's comparable #1 and board of review comparable #4, which sold more proximate in time to the lien date at issue and are relatively similar to the subject in location, site size, dwelling size, design, age and some features. These two comparables sold in January 2022 and July 2021 for prices of \$300,000 and \$445,000 or for \$202.70 and \$335.60 per square foot of living area, including land, respectively. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$348,260 or \$223.82 per square foot of living area, including land, which is bracketed by the two best comparables in the record both in terms of overall market value and on a price per square foot of living area basis. After considering adjustments to the best comparables for differences from the subject, the Board finds the subject's estimated market value as reflected by its assessment is supported. Therefore, based on this record, the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted based on overvaluation.

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: \_\_\_\_\_

October 21, 2025



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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