



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

APPELLANT: Donna Hammond
DOCKET NO.: 23-25343.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 27-18-104-046-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Donna Hammond, the appellant(s), by attorney Andreas Mamalakis, of the Law Offices of Andreas Mamalakis in Kenosha; 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: \$8,055
IMPR.: \$62,724
TOTAL: \$70,779

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 2023 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 construction with 3,609 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 23 years old. Features of the home include a full basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace, four and a half bathrooms and a three and a half-car garage. The property is in Orland Park, Orland Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2 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 five equity comparables. Each of the appellant comparables are two-story of masonry construction. They all have full or partial basements, at least one fireplace and two and a half to three and a half bathrooms. Four of five have central air conditioning. Four of the appellant comparables feature three car garages, one has a two-car

garage. The comparables range in size from 3,105 to 3,751 square feet of living area; and in improvement assessment from \$46,736 to \$55,665 or \$14.03 to \$15.18 per square foot of living area. The appellant comparables are .07 to .56 miles from the subject property. The appellant is seeking a reduction in total assessment to \$61,504.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$70,799. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$62,724 or \$17.38 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. Each of the board of review comparables are two-story of masonry or frame and masonry construction. They all have full basements and central air conditioning. Three of four have at least one fireplace. The size of garage for each property ranges from three to four cars. The board of review comparables range in size from 2,624 to 3,514 in living area; and in improvement assessment from \$47,704 to \$66,900 or \$17.38 to \$19.43 in assessment per square foot of living area. The board comparables range from the same block as the subject property to a quarter miles distance. The board of review is seeking no change in assessment.

Conclusion of Law

The taxpayer 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.

After due consideration to all the comparable properties the Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be appellant *one and board of review comparables one and four*. These comparables are most similar in size, features and location. They had improvement assessments that ranged from \$14.03 to \$19.43 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$17.38 per square foot of living area falls within the range established by the best comparables in this record. Based on this record 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.



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:

May 19, 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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