



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

APPELLANT: CA HOMES & PROPERTIES LLC  
DOCKET NO.: 23-25749.001-R-1  
PARCEL NO.: 32-03-331-008-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are CA HOMES & PROPERTIES LLC, the appellant, by attorney Brian P. Liston, of the Law Offices of Liston & Tsantilis, P.C. in Chicago; and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds **A Reduction** 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:** \$2,520  
**IMPR.:** \$9,400  
**TOTAL:** \$11,920

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 1-story dwelling of frame exterior construction with 950 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 50 years old. Features of the home include a crawl space foundation, central air conditioning and a 1-car garage. The property has a 7,200 square foot site located in Glenwood, Bloom 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 with respect to the improvement as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information, including property characteristics printouts, on three comparables located within the subject's assessment neighborhood and within 0.70 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables consist of class 2-02, 1-story dwellings of frame exterior construction each containing 965 square feet of

living area. The dwellings are each 53 years old. One comparable has a crawl space foundation, and two comparables have full basements with apartments.<sup>1</sup> One comparable has central air conditioning, and each comparable has either a 1-car or a 1½-car garage. The comparables have improvement assessments of \$9,026 and \$9,480 or \$9.35 and \$9.82 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested that the subject's improvement assessment be reduced.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject property of \$14,000. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$11,480 or \$12.08 per square foot of living area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on four comparables located within the same assessment neighborhood and block as the subject property. The comparables consist of class 2-02, 1-story dwellings of frame exterior construction containing either 738 or 775 square feet of living area. The dwellings are 48 or 52 years old. Each comparable has a full basement with three having finished area, and two comparables each have a 2-car garage. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$10,480 to \$12,165 or from \$14.20 to \$15.70 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the assessment be confirmed.

### **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 met this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The parties submitted seven comparable properties for the Board's consideration, six of which have full basements in contrast to the subject's crawl space foundation. Nevertheless, the Board gives less weight to the board of review's comparables which are less similar to the subject in dwelling size than the other comparables in the record. Moreover, the board of review's comparables #1 and #2 each lack a garage, which is a feature of the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be the appellant's comparables which are overall most similar to the subject in design, age, dwelling size and some features. These three comparables have improvement assessments of \$9,026 and \$9,480 or \$9.35 and \$9.82 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$11,480 or \$12.08 per square foot of living area falls above the range established by the most similar comparables in the record. After considering adjustments to the most similar comparables for differences when

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<sup>1</sup> The descriptive property characteristics printouts provided by the appellant disclosed the appellant's comparables #1 and #3 have full basements with apartments, instead of a slab foundation as described in the appellant's grid analysis.

compared to the subject, the Board finds the appellant demonstrated by clear and convincing evidence that the subject's improvement was inequitably assessed and, thus, a reduction in the subject's 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



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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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