



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

APPELLANT: YOLANDA CAMERON  
DOCKET NO.: 23-45355.001-R-1  
PARCEL NO.: 31-26-212-008-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are YOLANDA CAMERON, the appellant, by attorney Kenneth D. Flaxman, of Attorney & Counsellor at Law 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 **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:** \$3,002  
**IMPR.:** \$11,458  
**TOTAL:** \$14,460

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 an approximately 66-year-old multi-level dwelling with 1,106 square feet of living area of frame and masonry construction. Features of the home include a partial basement, central air conditioning, two bathrooms, and a two-car garage. The property has a 7,506 square foot site in Matteson, Rich Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-34 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 comparable sales. These comparable properties are located within 0.2 miles of the subject property; are 66 to 68-year-old residences of frame and masonry construction and have between 1,170 and 1,731 square feet of living area. These comparable properties sold between May 2023 and October 2023 for prices ranging from \$44.18

to \$115.38 per square foot. The appellant is requesting the total assessment be reduced to \$10,194.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$14,460. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$144,600 or \$130.74 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 three comparable sales. These comparable properties are in the same neighborhood and on the same block, within a quarter mile, or in the subarea of the subject property. The comparable properties are between 995 and 1,134 square feet of living area, are 62 to 67 years old, and sold between February 2022 and September 2022 for prices ranging from \$131.10 to \$198.41 per square foot. The board of review is requesting that the current assessment level be confirmed.

In rebuttal the appellant argued that the board of review's comparable #1 lacked sales data and should not be given weight as basis of the appeal is market value; the board of review's comparable properties #2 and #3 are significantly superior compared to the subject, and the board of review did not provide a multiple listing service search for their comparable property #4 missing a critical element of an arms-length sale.

### **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 Board finds the best evidence of market value to be appellant's comparable sale #2 and the board of review's comparable sales #2 and #4. The best comparable properties sold for prices ranging from \$115.38 to \$198.41 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$130.74 per square foot of living area, including land, which is within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record. Based on this evidence the Board finds 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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