



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

APPELLANT: Michael Cadilhac
DOCKET NO.: 23-45481.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 13-26-411-004-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Michael Cadilhac, the appellant, by attorney Anthony DeFrenza, of the Law Office of DeFrenza & Mosconi PC in Northbrook; 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: \$10,940
IMPR.: \$24,841
TOTAL: \$35,781

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 is improved with a 1-story dwelling of frame construction that contains 790 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 123 years old. Features of the property include a full basement, 1½ bathrooms, and a 1-car garage with 200 square feet of building area. The property has a 3,125 square foot site located in Chicago, Jefferson Township, Cook County. The subject is a class 2-02 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends inequity regarding the improvement assessment as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on six equity comparables located within the subject's assessment neighborhood and within 0.63 of a mile from the subject. The properties are improved with class 2-02, 1-story dwellings of frame exterior construction that range in size from 792 to 945 square feet living area. The homes are

from 112 to 133 years old. Each comparable has a full basement, 1 or 1½ bathrooms, and a garage with 200 or 300 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$17,408 to \$29,238 or from \$20.31 to \$30.94 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's improvement assessment be reduced to \$24,841 or \$31.44 per square foot of living area.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$41,693. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$30,753 or \$38.93 per square foot of living area. In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on three equity comparables located within the subject's assessment neighborhood and within the subject's subarea or approximately 0.25 of a mile from the subject. The properties are improved with class 2-02, 1-story dwellings of frame exterior construction that range in size from 483 to 792 square feet of living area. The homes are from 117 to 133 years old. Two comparables each have a full basement, and one comparable has a slab foundation. Each comparable has 1 bathroom and either a 1-car or a 2-car garage. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$19,062 to \$28,758 or from \$35.36 to \$39.47 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

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 nine equity comparables for the Board's consideration. The Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparables #2, #3 and #6 and the board of review's comparables #2 and #3 which are less similar to the subject in dwelling size or foundation type than the other comparables in the record.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be the appellant's comparables #1, #4 and #5 as well as the board of review's comparable #1 which are overall most similar to the subject in location, dwelling size, design, age and some features. These four comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$17,408 to \$28,002 or from \$20.31 to \$35.36 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$30,753 or \$38.93 per square foot of living area falls above the range established by the best comparables in the record. Based on this record and after considering adjustments to the best comparables for differences from the subject, the Board finds the appellant demonstrated with clear and convincing evidence that the subject's improvement was inequitably assessed and a reduction in the subject's assessment, commensurate with the appellant's request, 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



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: _____

July 21, 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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