



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

APPELLANT: Malgorzata Kaminska
DOCKET NO.: 23-47840.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 13-21-313-032-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Malgorzata Kaminska, the appellant, by attorney Andrew S. Dziuk, of Andrew Dziuk, Esq. 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: \$10,000
IMPR.: \$17,000
TOTAL: \$27,000

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 2-story, multi-family building of frame exterior construction with 1,832 square feet of gross building area. The building is approximately 105 years old. Features of the building include a full basement and a 2-car garage. The property has a 4,000 square foot site and is located in Chicago, Jefferson Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-11 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 on five equity comparables located within the subject's assessment neighborhood and within 0.60 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables are improved with class 2-11, multi-family buildings of frame exterior construction ranging in size from 1,845 to 2,112 square feet of gross

building area that are from 106 to 113 years old. Each comparable has a full basement, and three comparables each have a 2-car garage. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$11,283 to \$13,000 or from \$6.00 to \$6.17 per square foot of gross building area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's improvement assessment be reduced to \$10,992 or \$6.00 per square foot of gross building area.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$27,000. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$17,000 or \$9.28 per square foot of gross building area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four equity comparables located within the subject's assessment neighborhood and within the subject's block or approximately ¼ of a mile from the subject property. The comparables are improved with class 2-11, 2-story multi-family buildings of frame exterior construction ranging in size from 1,832 to 2,112 square feet of gross building area. The comparables are 94 or 113 years old. Two comparables each have a partial or a full basement, and two comparables each have a slab foundation. One comparable has central air conditioning, and each comparable has either a 1-car or a 2-car garage. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$17,000 to \$24,077 or from \$8.75 to \$11.40 per square foot of gross building area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's 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.

The parties submitted nine comparable properties for the Board's consideration. The Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparables #2 and #4 which lack a garage, unlike the subject. The Board also gives less weight to the board of review's comparables #2, #3 and #4 which differ from the subject in foundation type or present central air conditioning, which is not a feature of the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be the parties' remaining comparables which are overall most similar, including the board of review's comparable #1 that is nearly identical, to the subject in location, design, age, building size, foundation type and other features. These three comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$11,283 to \$17,000 or from \$6.00 to \$9.28 per square foot of gross building area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$17,000 or \$9.28 per square foot of gross building area matches the board of review comparable #1 with the highest improvement assessments of the three best comparables in the record. After considering adjustments to the most similar comparables for differences

when compared to the subject, the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

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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