



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

APPELLANT: Hipolito Roldan  
DOCKET NO.: 23-56205.001-R-1  
PARCEL NO.: 13-25-307-022-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Hipolito Roldan, the appellant, by attorney Michael R. O'Malley, of Schmidt Salzman & Moran, Ltd. 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:** \$31,500  
**IMPR.:** \$66,407  
**TOTAL:** \$97,907

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 four-unit apartment building of frame and masonry exterior construction containing 4,372 square feet of gross building area. The building was constructed in 1915 and is approximately 108 years old. The property features a full basement finished with an apartment and a 1-car garage. Each unit has two bedrooms and one bathroom. The property has an approximately 6,300 square foot site and a land to building ratio of 3:1. The property is located in Chicago, West Chicago 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 overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted an appraisal estimating the subject property had a market value of \$690,000 as of January 1, 2021. The appraisal was prepared by Mark D. Burgess, an Associate Real Estate

Trainee Appraiser and Neil J. Renzi, MAI, Certified General Real Estate Appraiser. The property rights appraised were fee simple. The report was developed to provide an opinion of the market value of the subject property for ad valorem tax assessment purposes.

In estimating the subject's market value the appraisers developed the income and sales comparison approaches to value. Under the income approach the appraiser arrived at an indicated market value of \$675,000. Under the sales comparison approach, the appraisers selected five comparable sales of multi-family buildings that sold from November 2019 to December 2020 for prices ranging from \$805,000 to \$1,085,000. The appraisers adjusted the comparables for differences from the subject to arrive at an estimated market value for the subject of \$690,000.

Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to reflect the appraised value of the subject property.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$97,907. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$979,070 or \$223.94 per square foot of building 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 four comparable sales located approximately ¼ of mile from the subject. The comparables have sites ranging in size from 3,125 to 4,687 square feet of land area. The comparables are class 2-11 properties that are improved with 2-story or 3-story multi-family buildings of masonry exterior construction that range in size from 3,909 to 5,154 square feet of building area. The comparables are 101 to 117 years old and have full basements, with one having finished area. One comparable has central air conditioning. Three comparables each have a 2-car garage. The comparables sold from July 2021 to March 2023 for prices ranging from \$885,000 to \$1,425,000 or from \$184.68 to \$306.98 per square foot of building area, including land. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject's assessment be confirmed.

### **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 record contains an appraisal with an effective date of January 1, 2021 that was submitted by the appellant and four comparable sales provided by the board of review for the Board's consideration.

Regarding the appellant's appraisal, the Board gave little weight to the value conclusion in the appellant's appraisal dated January 1, 2021 which is 24 months prior to the January 1, 2023

assessment date and less probative of the subject's market value as of the assessment date at issue. Furthermore, the appraisers used four comparables sales that sold over two years prior to the assessment date at issue.

The Board also gives less weight to board of review comparable sale #2 sold 17 months prior to the January 1, 2023 assessment date and is less likely to be reflective of market value as of that date.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be board of review comparable sales #1, #3 and #4 which sold more proximate to the assessment date at issue and are relatively similar to the subject in age, building size and some features. These comparables sold from August 2022 to March 2023 for prices ranging from \$1,177,500 to \$1,425,000 or from \$257.55 to \$306.98 per square foot of building area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$979,070 or \$223.94 per square foot of building area, including land, which is considerably below the range established by the best comparable sales in the record. After considering adjustments to the best comparables for differences from the subject, the Board finds the appellant did not prove by a preponderance of the evidence that a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted based on overvaluation.

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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