



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

APPELLANT: Junaid Nawz
DOCKET NO.: 24-03443.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 19-26-251-026

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Junaid Nawz, the appellant, by attorney Andrew J. Rukavina, of The Tax Appeal Company in Mundelein; and the McHenry 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 **McHenry** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$52,930
IMPR.: \$282,150
TOTAL: \$335,080

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the McHenry County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2024 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 two-story dwelling of brick exterior construction with 6,270 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2005 and is 19 years old. Features of the home include a full basement with finished area, central air conditioning, a fireplace, and a 1,062 garage. The property has a 71,303 square foot site and is located in Algonquin, Algonquin Township, McHenry County.

The appellant contends assessment inequity with respect to improvement as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on three equity comparables. The comparables consist of two-story dwellings of frame exterior construction ranging in size from 4,324 to 6,244 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1957 to 2003. Each dwelling has central air conditioning, a fireplace, and a garage ranging in size from 658 to 1,136 square feet of building area. Two comparables each have a partial basement,

one of which has finished area. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$154,525 to \$248,929 or from \$35.74 to \$39.87 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduced improvement assessment of \$227,350 or \$36.26 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 \$364,906. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$311,976 or \$49.76 per square foot of living area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on six equity comparables located from .05 of a mile to 1.04 miles from the subject, two of which are in the subject's assessment neighborhood. Comparables #1 and #3 are the same properties as the appellant's comparables #1 and #3, respectively. The comparables consist of two-story dwellings of brick, frame, or frame and stucco exterior construction ranging in size from 4,374 to 6,244 square feet of living area. The homes range in age from 22 to 29 years old. Each dwelling has central air conditioning, one to four fireplaces, a basement with five having finished area, and a garage ranging in size from 725 to 4,179 square feet of building area. Comparables #2 and #6 each have an additional detached garage and comparable #1 has an inground swimming pool. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$168,953 to \$253,702 or from \$31.76 to \$58.00 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 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 met this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The parties submitted a total of seven equity comparables to support their respective positions before the Property Tax Appeal Board, with two comparables being common to the parties. The Board has given reduced weight to the appellant's comparable #2, which differs from the subject in age and foundation. The Board also gives less weight to board of review comparable #4, which is located more than one mile from the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be the parties' remaining comparables, including the shared comparables, which are similar to the subject in age and location, and have varying degrees of similarity to the subject in dwelling size and features. Most weight was given to the parties' shared comparable #1, which is similar to the subject in age, location, and dwelling size. These comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$170,433 to \$253,702 or from \$31.76 to \$58.00 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$311,976 or \$49.76 per square foot of living area is above the range established by the best comparables in this record overall and within the range on a per-square-foot basis.

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 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: _____

November 25, 2025



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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