



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

APPELLANT: Jack Taylor
DOCKET NO.: 24-34892.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 24-15-206-065-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Jack Taylor, the appellant, by Robert Rosenfeld, attorney-at-law of Robert H. Rosenfeld & Associates, LLC 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 **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: \$4,620
IMPR.: \$40,721
TOTAL: \$45,341

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 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 is improved with a two-story dwelling of frame and masonry exterior construction containing 2,888 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 23 years old. Features of the property include a full unfinished basement, central air conditioning, one fireplace, 2½ bathrooms, and a 2-car garage. The property has a 6,600 square foot site located in Oak Lawn, Worth Township, Cook County. The subject is a class 2-78 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 four equity comparables composed of class 2-78 properties improved with two-story dwellings of frame and masonry exterior construction that range in size from 2,445 to 2,991 square feet of living area. The homes are from 34 to 61 years old. Each property has a full basement, central air

conditioning, one fireplace, two full bathrooms, one or two half bathrooms, and a 2-car or 4-car garage. These properties have the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property and are located from .1 to .7 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$33,364 to \$35,375 or from \$11.83 to \$13.65 per square foot of living area. The appellant requested the subject's improvement assessment be reduced to \$37,226.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$45,341. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$40,721 or \$14.10 per square foot of living area. In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four equity comparables consisting of class 2-78 properties improved with two-story dwellings of masonry or frame and masonry exterior construction that range in size from 2,738 to 3,287 square feet of living area. The dwellings range in age from 3 to 24 years old. Each property has a full or partial basement with one having finished area, central air conditioning, and a 2-car garage. The comparables have 1, 2 or 3 full bathrooms and three comparables have an additional ½ bathroom. Three of the comparables have one or two fireplaces. These properties have the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and are located ¼ of a mile from the subject property. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$39,701 to \$49,064 or from \$14.06 to \$15.01 per square foot of living area.

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 did not meet this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

The parties submitted information on eight equity comparables with the same classification code and neighborhood code as the subject property to support their respective positions. The Board gives less weight to appellant's comparables #3 and #4 due to differences from the subject in dwelling size, being approximately 12% and 15% smaller than the subject home, respectively. The Board gives less weight to board of review comparable #3 due to differences from the subject in dwelling size, being approximately 14% larger than the subject home. The remaining comparables are similar to the subject in size containing from 2,735 to 3,003 square feet of living area. Additionally, these homes have similar features as the subject property. Appellant's comparables #1 and #2 are approximately 21 and 28 years older than the subject dwelling indicating that each comparable would require an upward adjustment to make them more equivalent to the subject in age. Conversely, board of review comparables #1 and #2 are approximately 15 years newer than the subject dwelling requiring downward adjustments to make them more equivalent to the subject in age. Only board of review comparable #4 is similar to the subject in age being approximately 24 years old. These five comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$35,070 to \$42,222 or from \$11.83 to \$15.01 per square

foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$40,721 or \$14.10 per square foot of living area falls within the range established by the best comparables in this record and is well supported after considering the appropriate adjustments to the comparables for age, as needed. Based on this record the Board finds the appellant did not demonstrate with clear and convincing evidence that the subject's improvement was inequitably assessed and 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:

April 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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