LACK OF UNIFORMITY

Residential assessment appeal evidence

Cook County, Illinois. Tax year 2026. Prepared 15 November 2026 from the Cook County Assessor's published assessment roll.

Property index number	16364120540000
Property address	3640 S MAPLEWOOD AVE
Township	South Chicago (76)
Assessor neighborhood	76060
Property class	203 Single-family, 1,000-1,800 sq ft
Assessment stage	Mailed value for 2026

ASSESSED NOW

$24,000

17.8% of the current assessed value.

COMPARABLES IMPLY

$19,736

REDUCTION REQUESTED

$4,264

Estimated tax effect about $904 a year at a 7% composite rate.

SECTION 1

The argument in one paragraph

The Assessor values 384 other properties in assessor neighborhood 76060 that share this home's property class, building type, construction quality grade, size band and age band. Their assessed values run at a median of $18.90 per square foot. This home is assessed at $22.99 per square foot, which is 22% above that median. Applying the median the Assessor already uses for those neighbors to this home's 1,044 square feet gives $19,736. The request is to reduce the total assessed value to that figure. Every number in this document comes from the Assessor's own published roll.

This is a uniformity argument, not a market value argument. It does not claim the home is worth less than the Assessor thinks. It claims the Assessor has not treated it the same way as the properties it treats as its equals.

SECTION 2

This property as the Assessor records it

These are the characteristics the county publishes for this parcel.

Building area	1,044 square feet
Land area	3,844 square feet
Year built	1964
Building type	1 Story
Construction quality	Average
Repair condition	Average
Exterior wall	Masonry
Basement	Full
Central air	Central A/C
Rooms	5
Bedrooms	3
Full bathrooms	1
Half bathrooms	None recorded

Total assessed value	$24,000
Assessed value per square foot	$22.99

SECTION 3

How the comparable properties were chosen

The selection rule is stated before the result so that it can be checked. It was fixed in advance and applied to every parcel in the county in the same way. No property was added because it helped this argument and none was removed because it hurt it.

	FILTER APPLIED, IN ORDER	PROPERTIES REMAINING
1	In the same assessor neighborhood and property class	1,408
2	Building area within 15% of this home	939
3	Built within 15 years of this home	384
4	Same building type	384
5	Same construction quality grade	384

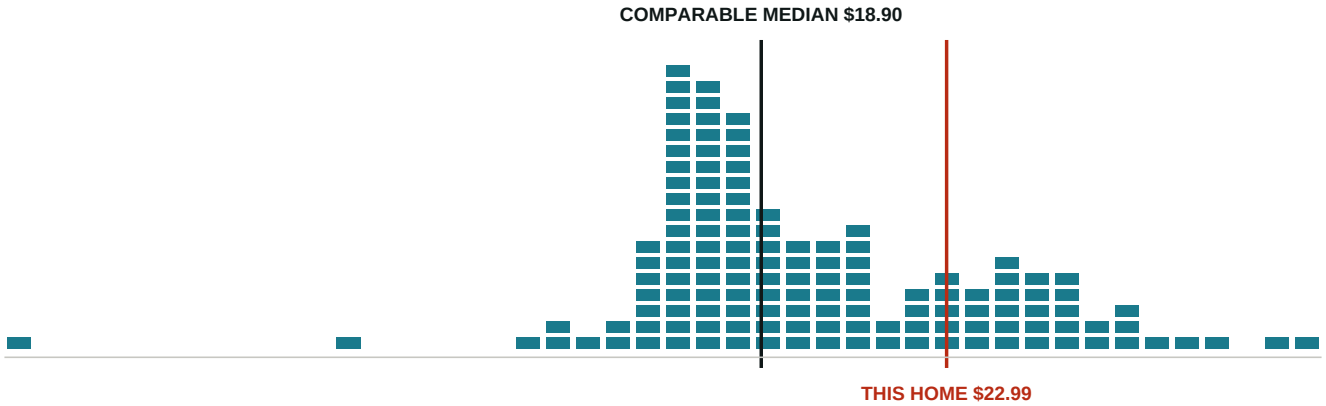
The comparable figure used is the median of all 384 surviving properties. It is not an average, which one outlier can move, and it is not a selection of the lowest assessed properties, which is the practice the Board of Review describes as cherry-picking in its own rules. Every one of the 384 properties is listed in section 6 by index number, including those assessed above this home.

A claim is made only where the gap is at least 10% of assessed value and at least $3,000, and it is capped at 40%, because a larger gap usually means a recorded characteristic is wrong rather than the assessment. At least 10 surviving properties are required before anything is claimed at all.

SECTION 4

What the comparable properties show

Comparable properties	384
Lowest assessed	$2.23 per square foot
25th percentile	$17.59 per square foot
Median	$18.90 per square foot
75th percentile	$22.64 per square foot
Highest assessed	$31.25 per square foot
This home	$22.99 per square foot
Position	assessed above 291 of the 384 comparable properties, the 76th percentile



The arithmetic, in full

STEP	VALUE
Median assessed value per square foot, 384 comparables	$18.90
Building area of this home	1,044 sq ft
Median multiplied by building area	**$19,736**
Current total assessed value	$24,000
Difference, the reduction requested	**$4,264**

At the 3.03 state equalisation factor certified for 2025 by the Illinois Department of Revenue, and a 7% composite tax rate, a reduction of $4,264 in assessed value is worth roughly $904 a year. The owner's own composite rate is printed on the tax bill and will differ. Exemptions are ignored, which makes this figure conservative.

SECTION 5

Comparable properties in detail

384 properties passed every filter. The 60 closest in building area to this home are set out below, sorted by assessed value per square foot. All 384 are listed by index number in section 6, and the median in section 4 is taken over all of them.

INDEX NUMBER	PROPERTY ADDRESS	SQ FT	BUILT	BD	BA	ASSESSED	PER SQ FT
16354130160000	3321 W 38TH PL	1,040	1962	3	1	$15,000	$14.42
16363140110000	3045 W 37TH PL	1,040	1962	3	1	$15,000	$14.42
16363140120000	3043 W 37TH PL	1,040	1964	3	1	$16,001	$15.39
16354100240000	3215 W 38TH ST	1,040	1965	3	1	$17,000	$16.35
16363140130000	3039 W 37TH PL	1,040	1962	3	1	$17,001	$16.35
16363160150000	3135 W 38TH ST	1,040	1960	3	1	$17,001	$16.35
16363160140000	3137 W 38TH ST	1,040	1961	3	1	$17,280	$16.62
16363140300000	3028 W 38TH ST	1,040	1964	3	1	$17,290	$16.62
16363080050000	3611 S FRANCISCO AVE	1,040	1964	3	1	$17,364	$16.70
16354120050000	3447 W 38TH PL	1,040	1963	3	1	$17,524	$16.85
16363210030000	3839 S ALBANY AVE	1,040	1962	3	1	$17,602	$16.93
16363080020000		1,040	1964	3	2	$17,738	$17.06
16363080010000		1,040	1963	3	1	$17,739	$17.06
16363080040000		1,040	1964	3	1	$17,832	$17.15
16354140090000		1,045	1962	3	1	$18,000	$17.22
16354140080000		1,045	1962	3	1	$18,000	$17.22
16354120280000		1,040	1965	3	1	$17,920	$17.23
16354120210000		1,040	1962	3	1	$17,992	$17.30
16354050490000		1,040	1963	3	1	$18,000	$17.31
16354070380000		1,040	1962	3	1	$18,000	$17.31
16354050480000		1,040	1963	3	1	$18,000	$17.31
16354080210000		1,040	1965	3	1	$18,000	$17.31
16354080220000		1,040	1965	3	1	$18,000	$17.31
16364000160000		1,040	1961	3	1	$18,000	$17.31
16354130270000		1,040	1961	3	1	$18,000	$17.31
16354110200000		1,040	1963	3	1	$18,000	$17.31
16354110170000		1,040	1963	3	1	$18,000	$17.31
16354050430000		1,040	1964	3	1	$18,001	$17.31
16363080290000		1,040	1966	3	1	$18,001	$17.31
16363080060000		1,040	1964	3	1	$18,001	$17.31
16363080280000		1,040	1964	3	1	$18,001	$17.31
16354050420000		1,040	1964	3	1	$18,001	$17.31
16354130090000		1,040	1963	3	1	$18,003	$17.31
16363160160000		1,040	1963	3	1	$18,654	$17.94
16354050460000		1,040	1965	3	1	$18,660	$17.94
16354080420000		1,040	1967	3	1	$18,668	$17.95
16363170230000		1,040	1965	3	1	$18,788	$18.07
16364120470000		1,044	1962	3	1	$19,000	$18.20
16364000140000		1,040	1964	3	1	$19,000	$18.27
16363230520000		1,040	1961	3	1	$19,000	$18.27

INDEX NUMBER	PROPERTY ADDRESS	SQ FT	BUILT	BD	BA	ASSESSED	PER SQ FT
16364120180000		1,040	1962	3	1	$19,000	$18.27
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16354110430000		1,040	1965	3	1	$19,000	$18.27
16354120270000		1,040	1964	3	1	$19,000	$18.27
16354120150000		1,040	1963	3	1	$19,000	$18.27
16354120380000		1,040	1969	3	1	$19,000	$18.27
16354040360000		1,040	1966	3	1	$19,000	$18.27
16354110420000		1,040	1964	3	1	$19,000	$18.27
16354120040000		1,040	1963	3	1	$19,000	$18.27
16363140290000		1,040	1966	3	1	$19,001	$18.27
16363140100000		1,040	1962	3	1	$19,001	$18.27
16363170130000		1,040	1968	3	1	$19,001	$18.27
16363170200000		1,040	1965	3	1	$19,001	$18.27
16363210040000		1,040	1961	3	1	$19,001	$18.27
16363210270000		1,040	1961	3	1	$19,001	$18.27
16364120560000		1,044	1964	3	1	$21,000	$20.11
16364120570000		1,044	1963	3	1	$23,191	$22.21
16364120480000		1,044	1962	3	1	$24,000	$22.99
16364120490000		1,044	1962	3	1	$24,000	$22.99
16364120540000	**3640 S MAPLEWOOD AVE**	**1,044**	**1964**	**3**	**1**	**$24,000**	**$22.99**

Median of all 384 comparables: $18.90 per square foot. Every property above shares this home's property class, building type and construction quality grade, sits in assessor neighborhood 76060, and is within 15% of its building area and 15 years of its year built.

SECTION 6

Every comparable property used

All 384 index numbers, lowest assessed value per square foot first. Nothing was withheld. Any of these can be looked up on the Assessor's public property search.

16364120520000	17312140020000	16363190300000	16363180250000	16363190310000
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SECTION 7

Sources, method and limits

Data

Assessed values	Cook County Assessor, Assessed Values, tax year 2026
Characteristics	Cook County Assessor, residential improvement characteristics
Addresses	Cook County Assessor, parcel address table
Publisher	Cook County Open Data, datacatalog.cookcountyil.gov
Read on	15 November 2026
Equalisation factor	3.03 for 2025, Illinois Department of Revenue

Method

Comparable properties are drawn from the same assessor neighborhood and property class, then filtered on building area, year built, building type and construction quality grade. The comparable figure is the median assessed value per square foot across every surviving property. The requested value is that median multiplied by this home's recorded building area.

Limits

Assessed values change during the year as townships are certified and as appeals are decided, so a figure here can be superseded. The roll's recorded characteristics are sometimes wrong. Condominiums are excluded because they are not assessed per square foot. This document is a presentation of published data. It is not an appraisal and not a prediction.

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