

CITY OF MADISON, WISCONSIN

REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

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TO THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL:

RE: EXCESSIVE ASSESSMENT: Scott K. Matthews, Property Owner – Excessive Assessment - \$3,643.27

Claimant Scott K. Matthews claims a refund for excessive real property tax pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 74.37 for his 2024 taxes for his property located at 5324 Loruth Terrace. The claimant alleges that the assessed value should be no higher than \$930,000 for 2024, and the property taxes should be no higher than \$16,111.29. The Claimant seeks a refund of \$3,643.27 plus interest.

The City Assessor valued the property at \$1,135,800 for tax year 2024. The 2024 real property taxes were \$19,754.57.

I have consulted with the Office of the Assessor, and we are of the opinion that the Board of Review determined the appropriate assessed value for 2024.

For the foregoing reasons, I recommend denial of the subject claim.

NOTE: This claim was received on January 29, 2025, and pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 74.37(3)(a) if no action is taken on this claim by the Common Council within ninety (90) days of filing the claim, it is considered disallowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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