

CITY OF MADISON, WISCONSIN

REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

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TO THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL:

RE: Don M. Millis, Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren s.c. for Walgreen Co. (Tax Parcels 0710-092-2410-7 - excessive assessment- \$11,225.

Claimant, Walgreen Co., claims a refund for excessive real property tax pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 74.37 for their 2025 taxes for their property located at 108 Cottage Grove Road. The claimant alleges that the assessed value should be no higher than \$2,338,320 for 2025, and the property taxes should be no higher than \$43,624. The Claimant seeks a refund of \$11,225 plus interest.

The City Assessor valued the property at \$2,984,300 for tax year 2025. The Claimant challenged the 2025 assessment before both the Boards of Assessors and Review, and the Board of Assessors reduced the value to \$2,940,000 which the Board of Review sustained. The 2025 real property taxes were \$54,849.56. The Claimant also alleges that the assessed value of the property sustained by the Board of Review violates Article VIII, Section 1 ("Uniformity Clause") of the Wisconsin Constitution.

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 2025.

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

NOTE: This claim was received on January 29, 2026, 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,

Electronically Signed By:
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