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## 2016 EDINA BOARD OF APPEAL & EQUALIZATION THURSDAY APRIL 21, 2016

**Please complete and return the attached application form to the Assessing Department, 4801 West 50<sup>th</sup> Street, Edina, Minnesota 55424-1394, no later than Friday, April 15, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.**

State Law requires the City Assessor to determine the market value and classification of all real property within the City of Edina as of January 2, 2016. These values and classifications will be the basis for property taxes payable in 2017. Also, by State Law the Board of Appeal and Equalization meets each year to hear appeals on market value or classification. **Please remember that the Board does not hear appeals on amounts or rates of property taxation, or the percentage increase in market value from year-to-year.** The Board may sustain, increase, or decrease the Assessor's market value of the appellant's property, as the Board deems appropriate. The Board may not make changes benefiting a property in cases where the property owner does not permit the assessor to inspect the property and the interior of any buildings or structures

*We encourage appellants to confer with the Assessing staff before the April 21st meeting. Often appeals can be resolved at the staff level and appellants do not need to appear before the Board. Please call 952-826-0365 if you wish to discuss your appeal with the Assessing staff.*

The Board has requested that persons who want to appear before them complete and return the application form to the Assessing Department no later than Friday, April 15, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. This provides an opportunity for the Assessing staff to prepare a complete agenda and information packet for the Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting on Thursday April 21, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

The Board will allow each appellant a ten minute presentation of their appeal. The Board will take the cases under advisement and will not be making any decisions on April 21st. The Board will reconvene on Thursday May 5, 2016 to make their final decisions on the appeals. The staff report prepared for the Board's reconvened meeting may result in a valuation that is higher, lower or the same as the original assessed valuation. You may contact our office on May 5, 2016 prior to the meeting if you want to know the **staff** valuation conclusion which may or may not be the same as the Board's final determination.

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