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City of Johannesburg advises property owners that the Appeal Board is considering their appeals

The City of Johannesburg advises property owners that their appeals against the Municipal Valuer's Decision (MVD) are being considered by an independent Valuation Appeal Board. (VAB).

Out of a total of 42,041 objectors, 12, 350 property owners lodged appeals which are currently being considered by the Valuation Appeal Boards (VAB). Appellants will be informed 21 days prior to the Appeal Hearing. The final decision of the Valuation Appeal Board will be communicated directly to property owners and appellants.

It is important to note that Section 52 (2) of the Municipal Property Rates Act (MPRA) states that if the Municipal Valuer adjusted the value of a property by more than 10% upwards or downwards, it will be presented to the Valuation Appeal Board who will review the decision and confirm, revoke or amend the decision. There are about 21 112 properties values under the Section 52 Reviews that will be presented to the VAB.

The General Valuation Roll (GVR2023) appeal process closed on 30 November 2023. This was an extension given to property owners and or objectors who previously objected to have a longer period in which to lodge appeals. Four Valuation Appeal Boards have been appointed for the City of Joburg by the MEC of Local Government. The VAB's have commenced with finalisation of GV13 and GV18 matters and GV2023 matters will be scheduled soon after.

Kgamanyane Maphologela, Director for Customer Communication cautioned that: “The Valuation Appeal Board is an independent body appointed by the MEC of CoGTA under section 56 of the Municipal Property Rates Act. The Board consists of a legal representative (Advocate/Attorney) and two professional valuers, registered at the SA Council for Professional Valuers. It operates outside the City of Johannesburg’s authority and has powers to either confirm, amend or revoke the decision of the Municipal Valuer.”

“Property owners remain liable for the payment of property rates as communicated to them through their monthly municipal bill while awaiting the outcomes of their appeal whose time frames are only known by the Appeal Board,” said Kgamanyane.

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