



**FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION
ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD**

APPELLANT: Al Idec
DOCKET NO.: 09-34666.001-C-1
PARCEL NO.: 30-06-310-013-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Al Idec, the appellant(s), by attorney Morton A. Gordon, of Gordon & Pikarski in Chicago; and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds a reduction in the assessment of the property as established by the Cook County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$ 18,750
IMPR.: \$ 1,313
TOTAL: \$ 20,063

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Cook County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2009 tax year. The Property Tax Appeal Board (the "Board") finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of the appeal.

Findings of Fact

The subject consists of two Quonset huts. The Quonset huts are 35 years old. The property has a 73,593 square foot site, and is located in Burnham, Thornton Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 5-33 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted an appraisal

estimating the subject property had a market value of \$75,000 as of January 1, 2008. The appraiser used comparables sales of vacant land parcels in the market approach, as the appraiser determined that the improvements contributed no value to the subject.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$71,966. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$287,864, or \$3.91 per square foot of land when applying the 2009 statutory level of assessment for commercial property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance of 25.00%. The board of review's evidence also states that the subject contains a class 2-36 building, with an improvement assessment of \$1,313. The appellant's appraisal does not discuss this building.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on 11 comparable sales of vacant land from the CoStar Comps Service.

Conclusion of Law

The appellant contends the market value of the subject property is not accurately reflected in its assessed valuation. When market value is the basis of the appeal the value of the property must be proved by a preponderance of the evidence. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of market value may consist of an appraisal of the subject property, a recent sale, comparable sales or construction costs. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(c). The Board finds the appellant met this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the appraisal submitted by the appellant. The subject's assessment reflects a market value above the best evidence of market value in the record. The Board finds the subject property had a market value of \$75,000 as of the assessment date at issue. The appraisal determined that the Quonset huts contributed no value to the subject, and the Board finds that these buildings' improvement assessments should be set at \$0. The appraisal determined that the subject's land value was \$75,000, and the Board finds that since market value has been established for the land, the 2009 statutory level of assessment for commercial property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance of 25.00% shall apply. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(c)(3). The appraisal did not address

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the class 2-36 building, and the Board finds that this building's improvement assessment should be retained.

This is a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board which is subject to review in the Circuit Court or Appellate Court under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.) and section 16-195 of the Property Tax Code.

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DISSENTING:

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and the keeper of the Records thereof, I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Final Administrative Decision of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this said office.

Date: January 23, 2015

Allen Castrovillari

Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

"If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel after the deadline for filing complaints with the Board of Review or after adjournment of the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year are being considered, the taxpayer may, within 30 days after the date of written notice of the Property Tax Appeal Board's decision, appeal the assessment for the subsequent year directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A PETITION AND EVIDENCE WITH THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE ENCLOSED DECISION IN ORDER TO APPEAL THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR.

Based upon the issuance of a lowered assessment by the Property Tax Appeal Board, the refund of paid property taxes is the responsibility of your County Treasurer. Please contact that office with any questions you may have regarding the refund of paid property taxes.