

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Olivia Lopez

DOCKET NO.: 10-33898.001-R-1 through 10-33898.002-R-1

PARCEL NO.: See Below

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Olivia Lopez, the appellant, by attorney Daniel J. Farley of Law Offices of Terrence Kennedy Jr. in Chicago; and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>no change</u> 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:

DOCKET NO	PARCEL NUMBER	LAND	<b>IMPRVMT</b>	TOTAL
10-33898.001-R-1	29-12-430-038-0000	\$2,066	\$9,403	\$11,469
10-33898.002-R-1	29-12-430-055-0000	\$468	0	\$468

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 2010 tax year. The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of the appeal.

### Findings of Fact

The subject property consists of a one-story dwelling of masonry construction with 1,171 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 46 years old. Features of the home

include a full unfinished basement, central air conditioning and a 2-car garage. The property has a 5,511 square foot site and is located in Calumet City, Thornton Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-03 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant's appeal is based on overvaluation. In support of this argument the appellant submitted evidence disclosing the subject property was purchased on February 18, 2011 for a price of \$43,000. The appellant failed to complete Section IV - Recent Sale Data of the residential appeal form to demonstrate the sale had the elements of an arm's length transaction. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment to reflect the purchase price.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$11,469. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$114,690 or \$97.94 per square foot of living area, land included, when applying the level of assessments for class 2-03 property of 10% under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four comparable sales. The comparables have the same classification code and neighborhood code as the subject. The comparable sales were improved with one-story dwellings that ranged in size from 1,252 to 1,313 square feet of living area. The comparables sold from March 2009 to October 2009 for prices ranging from \$162,500 to \$179,900 or from \$123.76 to \$143.69 per square foot of living area, including land.

# 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 did not meet this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value in the record to be comparable sales #1, #2 and #4 submitted by the board of review. These comparables were similar to the subject in location, style, construction, land area and age. These properties also sold proximate in time to the assessment date at issue. The comparables sold for prices ranging from \$123.76 to \$143.69 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$97.94 per square foot of living area, including land, which is below the range established by the best comparable sales in this record. The Board gave little weight to the subject's sale due to the fact the appellant failed to provide evidence that the sale had the elements of an arm's length transaction reflective of fair cash value. Based on this record the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is not justified.

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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.

	Chairman
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Member	Member
C. A.R.	Jerry White
Member	Acting Member
DISSENTING:	

# CERTIFICATION

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:	June 26, 2015
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•	Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE

"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 <u>PETITION AND EVIDENCE</u> 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.