

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Sara Sangaila
DOCKET NO.: 14-34117.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 15-27-326-016-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Sara Sangaila, the appellant(s); and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds *No Change* 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: \$3,316 **IMPR.:** \$18,145 **TOTAL:** \$21,461

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

ANALYSIS

The subject property consists of a two-story, single-family dwelling of masonry construction with 1,125 square feet of living area. The property is a class 2-05 under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance (hereinafter "Ordinance") and is located in LaGrange Park, Proviso Township, Cook County.

The subject property is an owner occupied residence that was the subject matter of an appeal before the Property Tax Appeal Board the prior year under docket numbers 13-28188.001-R-1. In that appeal the Property Tax Appeal Board rendered a decision lowering the assessment of the subject property to \$14,587 based on the evidence submitted by the parties. The appellant asserted that 2013 and 2014 are within the same general assessment period for residential property and subject is owner-occupied. The appellant's pleadings regarding Section IV-Recent Sale Data confirmed the closing date, sale price, that the parties to the transaction were not related, and that the subject was advertised for sale using a realtor. No further evidence was submitted.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" wherein the final assessment of the subject property totaling \$21,461 was disclosed. The board of review submitted three equity comparables and sales data for one comparable. The board of review also confirmed the sale of the subject in July 2012 for \$145,000.

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After reviewing the record and considering the evidence, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this appeal. Pursuant to section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185), the Board finds the prior year's decision should not be carried forward to the subsequent year.

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185) provides in part:

If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel on which a residence occupied by the owner is situated, such reduced assessment, subject to equalization, shall remain in effect for the remainder of the general assessment period as provided in Sections 9-215 through 9-225, unless that parcel is subsequently sold in an arm's length transaction establishing a fair cash value for the parcel that is different from the fair cash value on which the Board's assessment is based, or unless the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board is reversed or modified upon review.

The record disclosed the Property Tax Appeal Board issued a decision reducing the subject's 2013 assessment. The record further indicates that the subject property is an owner occupied dwelling and contains no evidence indicating the subject property sold in an arm's length transaction subsequent to the Board's decision. However, 2013 and 2014 are not within the same general assessment period. Since the assessment year in question is in a different general assessment period, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted to reflect the Board's prior year's decision.

The appellant also 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 that the appellant did not submit any evidence supporting the arm's length nature of the transaction such as copies of the transfer declaration, settlement statement and/or deed. No evidence was submitted supporting the 2012 sale. Therefore, the Board finds the appellant did not meet this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

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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.

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DISSENTING:	

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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 23, 2017
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	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

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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.