

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Mruk

DOCKET NO.: 15-38825.001-C-1 PARCEL NO.: 13-22-124-063-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Mruk, the appellant, by attorney Arnold G. Siegel, of Siegel & Callahan, P.C. in Chicago; and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>A Reduction</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:

**LAND:** \$73,237 **IMPR.:** \$13,513 **TOTAL:** \$86,750

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 2015 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 is comprised of a one-story, self-service car wash made of concrete block construction that was built in 1974. The subject building has a gross building area of approximately 4,087 square feet. The improvement is situated on approximately 18,400 square foot site. The subject property is a Class 5-97 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance. The subject property is located in Chicago, Jefferson Township, Cook County, Illinois.

The appellant contends the market value of the subject property is not accurately reflected in its assessed valuation. In support of the overvaluation argument, the appellant submitted an appraisal estimating the subject property had a market value of \$347,000 as of January 1, 2015. In arriving at the final opinion of value, the appraiser developed the sales comparison approach, which the appraiser believed to be the best approach to value in this case given the nature and the use of the subject property.

The appellant also submitted the final decision issued by the Cook County Board of Review showing the subject's 2015 final assessment of \$91,958, which reflects an estimated market value of \$367,832 using the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance level of assessments for Class 5 property of 25%. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment.

The board of review did not timely submit its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" or evidence in support of its assessed valuation of the subject property.

## **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 only evidence of market value in this record is the appraisal submitted by the appellant estimating the subject property had a market value of \$347,000 as of January 1, 2015. The Board finds the subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$367,832, which is greater than the appraisal submitted by the appellant. The board of review did not timely submit evidence in support of its assessment of the subject property or to refute the appellant's argument as required by section 1910.40(a) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board. (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.40(a)). Therefore, the board of review was found to be in default pursuant to section 1910.69(a) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board. (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.69(a)). Based on this record, the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

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. Pursuant to Section 1910.50(d) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(d)) the proceeding before the Property Tax Appeal Board is terminated when the decision is rendered. The Property Tax Appeal Board does not require any motion or request for reconsideration.

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## 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:	November 20, 2018
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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 the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year or years of the same general assessment period, as provided in Sections 9-125 through 9-225, 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 such subsequent year or years 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 OR YEARS. A separate petition and evidence must be filed for each of the remaining years of the general assessment period.

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.

## PARTIES OF RECORD

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