

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Irene Marks
DOCKET NO.: 17-38586.001-R-1

PARCEL NO.: 13-20-124-032-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Irene Marks, the appellant, by attorney George N. Reveliotis of Reveliotis Law, P.C. in Park Ridge; 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:** \$4,537 **IMPR.:** \$17,035 **TOTAL:** \$21,572

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 2017 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 exterior construction with 1,279 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 91 years old. Features of the property include a full basement with a recreation room and a two-car garage. The property has a 4,125 square foot site and is located in Chicago, Jefferson Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-03 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 information on four comparable sales classified as class 2-03 properties improved with dwellings of frame or frame and masonry construction that range in size from 1,264 to 1,733 square feet of living area. The dwellings range in age from 91 to 104 years old. The comparables have a full unfinished basement, one comparable has central air conditioning and three comparables have a two-car garage. The comparables have sites ranging in size from 3,720 to 4,612 square feet of land area. Each property has the same neighborhood code as the

subject property. The sales occurred in June 2015 or August 2016 for prices ranging from \$168,000 to \$245,000 or from \$100.23 to \$141.37 per square foot of living area, including land. The appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$15,553.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$21,572. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$215,720 or \$168.66 per square foot of living area, including land, when applying the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance level of assessment for class 2-03 property of 10%.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four comparable sales located in the same neighborhood code and within ¼ of a mile from the subject property. The comparables were improved one-story dwellings of frame or masonry exterior construction that range in size from 1,200 to 1,265 square feet of living area. The dwellings range in age from 92 to 94 years old. The comparables have sites that range in size from 4,026 to 4,566 square feet of land area. Two comparables have a full unfinished basement and two comparables have a concrete-slab foundation. Each comparable has either a one-car or two-car garage. The comparables sold from July 2015 to December 2017 for prices ranging from \$227,500 to \$289,000 or from \$186.17 to \$240.83 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

## **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 warranted.

The parties submitted eight comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board gave less weight to the appellant's comparables #1, #3 and #4 based on dissimilar dwelling size when compared to the subject. The Board gave less weight to the board of reviews comparables #2 and #4 based on their lack of basement when compared to the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the appellants comparable #2 and the board of reviews comparables #1 and #3. These comparables are relatively similar to the subject in land size, age, dwelling size and some features. These properties sold for prices ranging from of \$168,000 to \$289,000 or from \$132.91 to \$240.83 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$215,720 or \$168.66 per square foot of living area, including land, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record After considering adjustments to the comparable sales for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds the subject's estimated market value as reflected by the assessment is supported. Based on this evidence the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is not justified.

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.

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## 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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