



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

APPELLANT: 4923 N. Lester Condominium Association
DOCKET NO.: 18-31032.001-R-1 through 18-31032.009-R-1
PARCEL NO.: See Below

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are 4923 N. Lester Condominium Association, the appellant(s), by attorney Noah J. Schmidt, of Schmidt Salzman & Moran, Ltd. 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 **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:

DOCKET NO	PARCEL NUMBER	LAND	IMPRVMT	TOTAL
18-31032.001-R-1	13-09-318-035-1001	1,167	8,424	\$9,591
18-31032.002-R-1	13-09-318-035-1002	519	3,750	\$4,269
18-31032.003-R-1	13-09-318-035-1003	1,499	10,816	\$12,315
18-31032.004-R-1	13-09-318-035-1004	1,165	8,426	\$9,591
18-31032.005-R-1	13-09-318-035-1005	1,169	8,431	\$9,600
18-31032.006-R-1	13-09-318-035-1006	1,505	10,855	\$12,360
18-31032.007-R-1	13-09-318-035-1007	1,169	8,431	\$9,600
18-31032.008-R-1	13-09-318-035-1008	1,169	8,431	\$9,600
18-31032.009-R-1	13-09-318-035-1009	1,509	10,886	\$12,395

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 2018 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 nine condominium units within a 47-year-old, multi-story, masonry, 143-unit condominium building. The property is located in Chicago, Jefferson Township, Cook County and is classified as a class 2-99 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant included sales information on one unit within the subject's building that sold in 2015 to for \$96,000. The appellant deducted 5% from this value for personal property to arrive at an adjusted value of \$91,200. This value was divided by the percentage of ownership of this unit of 10.75% to arrive at a value for the building of \$848,372.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the subject's assessment of \$113,845. The subject's assessment reflects a market value for all the appealed units of \$1,138,450 when using the level of assessment for class 2 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 the sales of four condominium units. No descriptive information was provided for these sales other than square footage of the units. They sold from May 2017 to November 2018 for prices ranging from \$127,000 to \$164,500.

Conclusion of Law

The taxpayer contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. 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 best evidence of market value to be the sales submitted by the appellant. This unit sold for \$96,000. The Board gives no weight to the deduction for personal property as there is no evidence to support this. Dividing the total sale price by the percentage of ownership of this sold unit of 10.75% arrives at a value for the building of \$893,023. The subject's current assessment reflects a market value of \$1,138,450 which is above the value as established by the sales. Therefore, the Board finds the appellant showed by a preponderance of the evidence that the subject property was overvalued, and a reduction is 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.



Chairman



Member



Member



Member



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:

August 23, 2022



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 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 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.

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