

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

APPELLANT:Webster Square Condo AssociationDOCKET NO.:18-43036.001-R-1 through 18-43036.006-R-1PARCEL NO.:See Below

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Webster Square Condo Association, the appellant(s), by attorney Ciarra 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 <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	IMPRVMT	TOTAL
18-43036.001-R-1	14-32-216-050-1001	8,600	50,480	\$59,080
18-43036.002-R-1	14-32-216-050-1002	8,600	50,481	\$59,081
18-43036.003-R-1	14-32-216-050-1004	9,261	54,364	\$63,625
18-43036.004-R-1	14-32-216-050-1005	8,600	50,480	\$59,080
18-43036.005-R-1	14-32-216-050-1006	5,292	31,065	\$36,357
18-43036.006-R-1	14-32-216-050-1007	8,600	50,480	\$59,080

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 six residential condominium units in a 117-year-old, three-story, seven-unit, condominium building. The subject unit with the PIN ending in -1001 has a 13% interest in the common elements, the subject unit with the PIN ending in -1002 has a 13% interest in the common elements, the subject unit with the PIN ending in -1004 has a 14% interest in the common elements, the subject unit with the PIN ending in -1005 has a 13% interest in the common elements, the subject unit with the PIN ending in -1005 has a 13% interest in the common elements, the subject unit with the PIN ending in -1006 has a 8% interest in the common elements, the subject unit with the PIN ending in -1006 has a 8% interest in the common elements. The improvement size of the units was not disclosed. The property

has a 6,014 square foot site located in North Chicago Township, Cook County. The subject 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 the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted the sales prices of two condominium units. The condominium unit with the PIN ending in -1003 was purchased in June 2016 for \$625,000. The condominium unit with the PIN ending in -1007 has a 13% interest in the common elements and sold in April 2018 for \$640,000. One of the comparable sales is a subject unit and both are located in the same building as the subject condominium units. The appellant calculated the total assessment of each unit using an adjusted assessment value of 8.07%, deducted 5% for personal property, and requested a total assessment value of \$228,878 for all six condominium units.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" revealing the improvement assessment of the subject condominium units as \$287,350. The subject units had a total assessment of \$336,303. In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted a "PTAB Docket" depicting a total market value of \$3,467,037 and an assessed value of \$346,704 after applying the 2018 statutory level of assessment for class 2 property of 10.00% under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance. The board of review also submitted a print of from the Cook County Recorder of Deeds depicting sales prices and sale dates recorded for PIN ending in -1003 and PIN ending in -1007.

## 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 not warranted.

The decisions of the Property Tax Appeal Board will be based on equity and the weight of the evidence. In Cook County, for residential property of six units or less currently designated as Class 2 real estate according to the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance, as amended, when sufficient probative evidence indicating the estimate of full market value of the subject property on the relevant assessment date is presented, the Board may consider evidence of the appropriate level of assessment for PTAB. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(c).

Regarding the personal property deducted, the appellant did not submit evidence that personal property was included in the sale. Additionally, the Board finds that it is not authorized to apply an assessment level to the subject property other than the 10% assessment level found in the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the total of the undisputed sales prices and percentage ownership in the common elements submitted by both parties. When the undisputed sales total of \$1,265,000 is divided by the percentage of units sold (27%), the full market value for the 100% of the condo is \$4,685,185. Since only 74% of the building is under appeal, the market value of the units at hand is \$3,467,000. Based on this record, the Board finds that the subject property's current assessed value of \$336,303 is below the amount reflected by the best indicator of market value in this record and supports the current assessment. Accordingly, the appellant did not prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the subject property was over valuated and a reduction in the subject's assessment to the appellant's request 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.

Chairman Member Member Member Member

# <u>CERTIFICATION</u>

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:

**DISSENTING:** 

December 20, 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 <u>PETITION AND</u> <u>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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