

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Surjit Grewal
DOCKET NO.: 18-44355.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 16-13-234-066-1003

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Surjit Grewal, the appellant(s), by attorney Jessica Hill-Magiera, Attorney at Law in Lake Zurich; 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:** \$1,721 **IMPR.:** \$17,616 **TOTAL:** \$19,337

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 a single condominium unit, in a three-unit, residential condominium building situated on a 2,400 sq ft parcel of land. The building is 19-years old. The subject unit has 34.15% percentage of ownership interest in the common elements. Features of the home include a 1,000 square feet of living area, two bedrooms and two bathrooms. The subject located in Chicago, West 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 information on three comparable sales. The appellant reported that the comparables were between 9 and 18 years of age, were located within .03 of a mile from the subject and had the same neighborhood code as the subject. The provided comparables sold from February 2017 through March 2018 for prices ranging from \$82,000 to \$117,500 for a combined

total sales price of all comparables of \$311,000. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's total assessment to \$11,150.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$19,337 and its Condominium Analysis Results for 2019. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$193,370 or \$175.79 per square foot of living area, land included, when applying the assessment level of 10% as established by the Cook County Real Property Classification Ordinance.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on one suggested sale comparable from the subjects building.

In written rebuttal, the appellants argued that the board of review's failure to respond or object to the appellants' comparables should serve as an admission that they are acceptable comparables. The appellants' attorney further argued that all four (4) of the BOR's comparable sales should be given less weight if any, because they are on different streets than the subject and two (2) are also in a different neighborhood than the subject.

#### **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 not warranted.

The Board finds that the appellant has failed to meet this burden. The board has given reduced weight to the appellants' evidence as they did not provide adequate information about the comparables features or amenities other than location and sales price which would assist the Property Tax Appeal Board in conducting a meaningful analysis to determine their comparability or similarity to the property under appeal. Additionally the appellant failed to provide the percentage of common ownership interests for each of the comparables. Therefore, based on this record the Board finds the appellants did not demonstrate with clear and convincing evidence that the subject's improvement was inequitably assessed and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not justified.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The appellant did not list amenities for the subject.

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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