

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Donny & Andre Momchilo

DOCKET NO.: 19-30649.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 14-31-210-020-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Donny & Andre Momchilo, the appellants, by attorney Brian P. Liston, of the Law Offices of Liston & Tsantilis, 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: \$5,950 **IMPR.:** \$24,400 **TOTAL:** \$30,350

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellants 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 2019 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 26-year-old, two-story, single-family dwelling of frame construction with 1,494 square feet of living area. Features of the home include a full unfinished basement and a two-car garage. The property has a 2,088 square foot site and is located in Chicago, West Chicago Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-07 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The taxpayers assert assessment inequity as a basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the taxpayers submitted information on three suggested equity comparables. The appellants also assert overvaluation in this appeal. In support of the overvaluation argument, the appellants submitted evidence disclosing that the subject property was purchased on June 20, 2019, for a price of \$303,500. Based on this evidence, the appellants requested a reduction in the subject's assessment to reflect the purchase price.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$54,742. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$547,420 or \$366.41 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the Cook County Real Estate Classification Ordinance level of assessment for class 2 property of 10%. The subject's improvement assessment is \$48,792, or \$32.66 per square foot of living area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four suggested sales comparables. The board of review noted the subject property sold in June 2019 for \$303,500.

Conclusion of Law

The appellants contend 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 appellants met this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The Board finds that the best evidence of market value is the sale of the subject property in June 2019 for a price of \$303,500. The appellants provided evidence demonstrating the sale had the elements of an arm's length transaction. The appellants completed Section IV - Recent Sale Data of the PTAB residential appeal form and disclosed that the property was sold by a realtor (@properties) using a licensed agent, it had been advertised on the open market through the Multiple Listing Service for approximately two months and was not sold because of a foreclosure action. The appellants submitted a photo of the subject property, a printout from the Recorder of Deeds and a copy of the Administrator's Deed showing the property was conveyed through the use of an Independent Administrator of the Estate.

The Board finds the board of review did not present any evidence to challenge the arm's length nature of the transaction. The Board concludes that the board of review did not refute the appellants' contention that the purchase price of the subject property was reflective of market value. While the appellants did not submit certain evidence supporting the sale, such as the settlement statement or a real estate contract, the board of review corroborated the purchase price in its Notes on Appeal. Based on this record the Board finds the subject property had a market value of \$303,500 as of January 1, 2019. Since market value has been determined, the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance level of assessment for class 2 property of 10% shall apply. A reduction in the subject's assessment commensurate with the appellant's request is therefore appropriate.

Based on this record, the Board finds the appellants have proven, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the subject is overvalued, and that a reduction in the subject's assessment is justified. Since market value has been determined, the Board finds that the subject is now fairly and equitably assessed.

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.

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