

### FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT:Barrett Brothers Coutyard Estates #1DOCKET NO.:19-55114.001-R-1 through 19-55114.002-R-1PARCEL NO.:See Below

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Barrett Brothers Coutyard Estates #1, the appellant, 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
19-55114.001-R-1	28-31-114-041-1003	1,646	5,344	\$6,990
19-55114.002-R-1	28-31-114-041-1007	1,676	5,424	\$7,100

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

### **Statement of Jurisdiction**

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a 2017 Final Administrative Decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board pursuant to section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185) 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 an approximately 44-year-old, two-story, residential condominium building consisting of eight units, where only two units with Property Index Numbers (PINs) 28-31-114-041-1003 and -1007 are under appeal.<sup>1</sup> . The property has a 23,396 square foot site and is located in Tinley Park, Bremen Township, Cook County. Each parcel is a class 2-99 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends the assessment of the subject property as established by the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board for the 2017 tax year should be carried forward to the 2019 tax year pursuant to section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code. (35 ILCS 200/16-185). The appellant disclosed that each parcel under appeal is an owner-occupied residence that was the subject

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The description of the subject property is found in the Board's prior year decision provided by the appellant and the condominium analysis provided by the board of review.

matter of an appeal before the Property Tax Appeal Board in tax year 2017 under Docket Numbers 17-22130.003-R-1 and 17-22130.006-R-1. In each of these appeals the Property Tax Appeal Board issued a decision lowering the assessment of PIN -1003 to \$6,990 and PIN -1007 to \$7,100 based on the evidence submitted by the parties. The appellant's attorney asserted that this tax year is in the same general assessment period as the 2017 reduction.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing a combined total assessment for the subject's two PINS of \$15,151. The board of review did not provide the first year of the General Assessment Cycle for the subject but did indicate that no township equalization factor was applied to the subject property in tax year 2019.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted a document labeled Condominium Analysis Results for 2017 prepared by Dan Michaelides. The board of review did not challenge the appellant's assertion that the subject property's two condominium units are owner-occupied dwellings, nor did it refute that the 2017 and 2019 tax years are within the same General Assessment Cycle.

# **Conclusion of Law**

The appellant raised a contention of law asserting that the assessment of the subject property as established by the Property Tax Appeal Board for the 2017 tax year should be carried forward to the 2019 tax year pursuant to section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code. (35 ILCS 200/16-185). When a contention of law is raised the burden of proof is a preponderance of the evidence. (See 5 ILCS 100/10-15). The Board finds the appellant met this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that the assessment as established by the Board for the 2017 tax year should be carried forward to the tax year at issue subject only to equalization as provided by section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code.

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185) states in part:

If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel on which a residence occupied by the owner is situated, such reduced assessment, subject to equalization, shall remain in effect for the remainder of the general assessment period as provided in Sections 9-215 through 9-225, unless that parcel is subsequently sold in an arm's length transaction establishing a fair cash value for the parcel that is different from the fair cash value on which the Board's assessment is based, or unless the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board is reversed or modified upon review.

The record disclosed the Property Tax Appeal Board issued a decision reducing the subject's assessment for the 2017 tax year. The record further indicates that the subject property's two condominium units are owner-occupied dwellings and that 2017 and 2019 are within the same general assessment period. The record contains no evidence indicating the subject property sold in an arm's length transaction after the Board's decision or that the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board has been reversed or modified upon review. For these reasons the Property Tax

Appeal Board finds that a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted to reflect the assessment as established in the Board's decision for the 2017 tax year plus the application of equalization factors, if any.

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.



### 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:

May 21, 2024

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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