

## FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT:	Bo Xu
DOCKET NO.:	21-05348.001-R-1
PARCEL NO .:	07-01-06-109-006-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Bo Xu, the appellant; and the Will 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 **Will** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND:	\$24,576
IMPR.:	\$96,663
TOTAL:	\$121,239

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

#### **Statement of Jurisdiction**

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a 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 2021 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 two-story dwelling of frame exterior construction with 3,296 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1999. Features of the home include an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace, and a garage containing 431 square feet of building area. The property is located in Aurora, Wheatland Township, Will County.

The appellant contends the assessment of the subject property as established by the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board for the 2019 tax year should be carried forward to the 2021 tax year pursuant to section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code. (35 ILCS 200/16-185).<sup>1</sup> The appellant disclosed that the subject property is an owner-occupied residence that was the subject matter of an appeal before the Property Tax Appeal Board the prior year under Docket Number 19-00250. In that appeal the Property Tax Appeal Board issued a decision lowering the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Although the appellant also marked "Recent Sale" and "Comparable Sales" as bases of the appeal, the appellant did not submit any evidence in support of these contentions.

assessment of the subject property to \$112,500 based on the evidence submitted by the parties. The appellant asserted that tax years 2019 and 2021 are within the same general assessment period.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$121,239. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$363,644 or \$110.33 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2021 three-year average median level of assessment for Will County of 33.34% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted a brief stating that the assessment for 2019 was reduced to \$112,500, which when applying an increase for improvements to the property in 2021, and the 2020 and 2021 equalization factors of 1.0290 and 1.0161, would result in an assessment of \$129,565. The current 2021 assessment of the subject property is \$121,239 or \$8,326 lower than the assessment rendered in the 2019 decision plus the increase and equalization. Therefore, the board of review requested that the Property Tax Appeal Board sustain the subject's 2021 assessment of \$121,239.

# **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 2019 tax year should be carried forward to the 2021 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 however the Board finds that strict application of the "rollover" provision of section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code would result in an increase in the subject's assessment.

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 2019 tax year. The record further indicates that the subject property is an owner-occupied dwelling and that 2019 and 2021 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. However, the record also shows that the current total assessment of \$121,239 is less than the resulting assessment amount of the prior PTAB decision plus the increase and equalization factors. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested

that the 2021 assessment established by the Will County Board of Review be confirmed. The Board finds, in this appeal, that application of the "rollover" provision of section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code would result in an increase in the subject's assessment and that no reduction in the subject's 2021 assessment is warranted.

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:

April 18, 2023

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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