



Executive Summary Finance Committee Meeting

DATE: January 20, 2022

TOPIC: Public Act 102-0519 2021 Prior Year Levy Adjustment

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Recommended for:

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

Purpose/Background:

At the June 10, 2021 meeting, the Finance Committee received an update pertaining to Senate Bill 508. In August 2021, it became Public-Act 102-0519 which allows taxing districts to recoup funds lost due to refunds from assessment reductions granted in the prior 12-month period. It takes effect whenever there is an assessment decrease due to certificates of error, a court order in a tax objection complaint (TOC), or a final decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board (PTAB).

Lincolnwood School District 74 is scheduled to receive \$427,387 during the upcoming 2021 real estate collections. This amount will be included in the Total Non-Capped Rate and Extension and in the Total Final Rate and Grand Total Extension. These amounts will not be displayed as a separate line item on the 2021 property tax bills. Any taxing district which wishes to abate, reduce, or remove this Levy Adjustment fund from their 2021 tax rate calculation may adopt a levy abatement resolution.

Legal counsel recommends viewing the refunds from assessment appeals under PA 102-0519 as found money that can offset some losses on past appeals and pending rate objections. Therefore, the recommendation is to not submit a resolution for abatement. Please see the table below for recent tax collection and refund data.

Lincolnwood School District 74
Agency Tax Year Collection Distribution Report Data from Cook County Treasurer's Office
As of January 7, 2022

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total Refunds
Gross Taxes Distributed	\$22,725,345	\$22,464,958	\$23,005,802	\$24,317,473	
General Refunds	-\$1,166,602	-\$254,655	-\$192,117	-\$160,559	-\$1,773,932
Illegal Rate Refunds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SP/PTAB Refunds	-\$255,093	-\$149,727	-\$22,883	\$0	-\$427,703
Net Collections Distributed	\$21,303,650	\$22,060,576	\$22,790,802	\$24,156,914	-\$2,201,635
	vs.	vs.	vs.	vs.	4-Yr. Avg. of
Taxes Extended	\$21,818,223	\$22,486,866	\$23,344,013	\$25,099,402	-\$550,409
	97.64%	98.10%	97.63%	96.24%	
Interest Earnings	\$3,562	\$5,032	\$2,885	\$312	
TIF Rebates	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Fiscal Impact:

Gain of \$427,387 or

Gain of \$0 if abated by April 1, 2022

Recommendation:

The Finance Committee concurs with the Administration to recommend to the Board of Education to accept the \$427,387 and will not file with the Cook County Clerk's Tax Extension Department a resolution to abate, adjust or remove this Levy Adjustment Fund.