#### ASSESSING DEPARTMENT - LATE-FILE APPEAL APPLICATION SUMMARY

Date: April 21, 2017
Name: Christine McGraw

Address: 410 Kramer Avenue, Sitka, AK 99835

Parcel ID: 2-4909-130

#### **Summary:**

The following application was presented as a petition for an appeal hearing, but the request was not filed in a timely manner.

- Ms. McGraw's 2017 Assessment Notice was mailed via first-class mail on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to the last known address on file of 1911 Dodge Circle, Sitka, AK 99835; and
- The assessment notice was never returned to the Assessment Department as undeliverable or unable to forward; and
- The appeal period closed on April 14th, 2017
- Ms. McGraw called the Assessing Department on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 saying she never received her 2017 Assessment Notice and that she would like to appeal the valuation of her property. The Property Tax Clerk during this telephone conversation verified the mailing of the Assessment Notice to 1911 Dodge Circle and was told that this was no longer her current mailing address. Ms. McGraw was informed that the appeal period had closed and that she may file a late-file appeal application, but that it was her responsibility to keep the Assessing Department up-to-date on her current mailing address for assessment purposes, and that lack of receipt of the assessment notice due to an inaccurate address was not grounds for an "unusual circumstances" late-file application. The Property Tax Clerk mailed her a copy of the assessment notice that was mailed; and
- Ms. McGraw filed a late-file appeal application in person on April 21, 2017; and
- On April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017, the Assessing Department received as undeliverable a final notice for 2016 taxes due sent by the Finance Department via Certified Mail on April 4, 2017, with the 1911 Dodge Circle address indicating that Ms. McGraw has yet to inform either the Finance or Assessing Departments of her current address for notice and billing purposes; and
- Although Ms. McGraw has valuation concerns, those will be addressed if a board hearing is granted.

#### Assessor's Summary:

It is the responsibility of the property-owner to make sure their mailing address of record is correct with the Assessing Department as the assessing records are separate from other city accounts. Addresses of record are published on the city's GIS website so that they can be checked at any time during the year. Ms. McGraw failed to notify the Assessing Department of her current mailing address, and as a result did not receive her assessment notice. There was no way for this office to know that the address had changed as the original assessment notice mailed on March 14<sup>th</sup> via first-class mail was not returned as undeliverable or "unable to forward." Receiving such a notice from the post office would have alerted us to at least look elsewhere for a newer current mailing address. A search of utility record accounts shows no physical or mailing address for Ms. McGraw either.

In addition the city has met its "Assessment Notice" obligations under SGC 4.12.070 in three ways:

1) by mailing the assessment notices on March 14<sup>th</sup> via first-class mail through Alaska Lithographic "<u>to</u> the person to whom it is to be given and shall be sufficiently given if it is mailed by first class mail

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- <u>addressed to, or is delivered at, his address as last known to the assessor.</u>" First-class mail is considered delivered unless notice of non-delivery is returned to the sender;
- 2) by posting two public newspaper ads on 3/24/17 and 3/31/17 stating that "all valuation notices have been mailed" (SGC 4.12), and
- 3) by posting such notification prominently at the top of the Assessing Department's city web page.

Therefore, in this instance, the failure to receive a notice of assessment does not meet the criteria for the "unusual circumstances" clause affording a waiver of the standard appeal timelines (SGC 4.12.100(d)(1), SGC 4.12.020), and the Assessing Department recommends you deny this late-file appeal application.

### **Key Dates to Remember:**

March 14th, 2017	Assessment Notices Mailed, Newspaper & Website Notices Published
March 31st, 2017	Second Newspaper Publishing of Assessment Notice Mailing
April 14th, 2017	Last Day to File an Appeal
April 28th, 2017	Last Day to Submit a Late-File Appeal Application
May 1st, 2017	<b>BOE Hearing Date</b>
June 1st, 2017	Certification of Tax Roll Required by AS 29.45.210

# CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA - ASSESSMENT RECORD 2017



**General Data** 

Owner:	McGraw, Christine	Owner:
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Location: 410 Kramer Ave

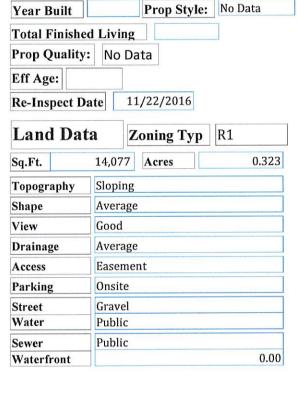
Parcel No: 2-4909-130 Prop Type: VacResi

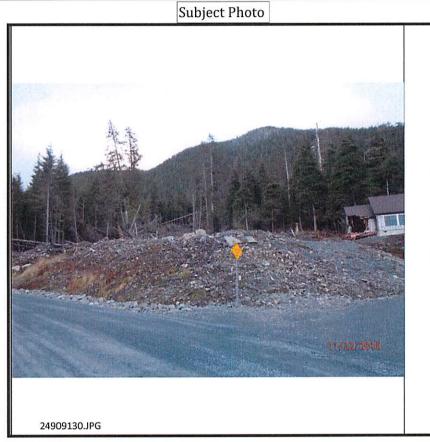
Legal Description:

Lot One (1), North Woodbury Subdivision, according to Plat No. 2014-2, Sitka Recording District, First Judicial

District, State of Alaska.

# **PROPERTY INFORMATION**





## **VALUATION INFORMATION**

2017	Appraised Value:	Exempted Value:	Assessed Value:
Land Values:	\$24,900	\$0	\$24,900
Bldg Values:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Totals:	\$24,900	\$0	\$24,900



# City & Borough of Sitka

**Assessing Department** 100 Lincoln Street, Rm 106 Sitka, Alaska 99835 (907) 747-1822

Tax Year 2017

# **Real Property Assessment Notice**

Christine McGraw 1911 Dodge Cir Sitka, AK 99835

PID# 2-4909-130-000-0000

	Street Address	
410 Kramer Ave		

Survey	Lot	Block	Subdivision	
3806	1		North Woodbury	

Land Value	<b>Building Value</b>	Sen Exempt value	Taxable Value
\$24,900	\$0	\$0	\$24,900

**Mailing Date:** 

Warch 14

Appeal Deadline:

April 14

Board of Equalization: May 1

PLEASE NOTIFY THE ASSESSOR OF ANY ERRORS, OMISSIONS OR CHANGES.

\*\*\*important\*\*\* THIS IS NOT A TAX BILL Tax statements will be issued on or about July

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# City and Borough of Sitka Petition for Adjustment of Assessed Valuation Real Property

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Date Filed: 4-21-17
The deadline for filing an appeal with the Assessor is <b>4:00 pm April 14, 2017.</b> However, appeal of the Board of Equalization, in what is deemed to be unusual circumstances; by unanimous vote may waive this time provision. The Assessor <i>must be</i> contacted during the 30 day appeal period.
Parcel Identification No. 410 Kramer Ave
1. I, <u>Chvistine</u> MeGvaw, representing Myself The owner of the above identified property, hereby request the Assessor review the assessment of said property.
2017 Assessed Value: Land \$ 24,900.00 Building(s) \$ 0.00 Total \$ 24,900.00
<ol><li>Please answer the following questions for the information of the Assessor and the Board of Equalization in considering this appeal:</li></ol>
A. What date was the property acquired?
3. There is an error or omission on the assessment of this property for the following reason(s):  - Property is in high visk land slide area per Shannon & Wilson Report > mapping out high landslide risk areas  - Colder Report  - No bank will loan any Money against property for
Purchase
- Land is unbuildable or univable.
Print Name: Christine M'Gyaw Phone# 738-0720
Sign here:

# Property Tax

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TEMP-RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

not at their address.



April 4th, 2017

MCGRAW, CHRISTINE 1911 DODGE CIRCLE

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