

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: THR Property Illinois, LP

DOCKET NO.: 15-00813.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 03-21-451-026

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are THR Property Illinois, LP, the appellant, by attorney Jeffrey G. Hertz, of Sarnoff & Baccash in Chicago; and the Kendall County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds *No Change* in the assessment of the property as established by the **Kendall** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$18,827 **IMPR.:** \$72,181 **TOTAL:** \$91,008

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Kendall County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2015 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 and masonry construction with 3,546 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2007. Features of the home include a full unfinished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace and an 811 square foot garage. The property has a 15,196 square foot site and is located in Oswego, Oswego Township, Kendall County.

The appellant's appeal is based on overvaluation. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted evidence disclosing the subject property was purchased on May 10, 2013 for a price of \$200,000 or \$56.40 per square foot of living area, land included. The appellant completed Section IV - Recent Sale Data of the appeal disclosing the sellers were individuals; the parties to the transaction were not related; the property was sold using a realtor; the property had been advertised on the open market with the Multiple Listing Service (MLS); and it was on the market

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for 45 days prior to its sale. In further support of the transaction, the appellant submitted a copy of the settlement statement and the MLS listing sheet. Based on this evidence, the appellant 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 \$91,008. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$273,051 or \$77.00 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2015 three-year average median level of assessment for Kendall County of 33.33% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on four comparable sales that were located in the same subdivision as the subject property. The comparables sold from March 2014 to April 2015 for prices that ranged from \$240,000 to \$345,000 or from \$68.24 to \$97.02 per square foot of living area, land included. The comparables are situated on sites containing from 10,015 to 12,509 square feet of land area. The comparables consist of two-story dwellings that have from 3,250 to 3,556 square feet of living area. The dwellings were constructed in either 2005 or 2006. As part of its submission, the board of review also provided a copy of the Illinois Real Estate Transfer Declaration (PTAX-203) for each comparable. The transfer tax declarations disclosed that the comparables had been advertised for sale. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

Conclusion of Law

The appellant contends 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 appellant did not meet this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value in the record to be the four comparable sales submitted by the board of review. These comparables were very similar to the subject in location, design, age, living area and features. Moreover, these properties sold more proximate in time to the assessment date at issue. The comparables sold from March 2014 to April 2015 for prices that ranged from \$240,000 to \$345,000 or from \$68.24 to \$97.02 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$273,051 or \$77.00 per square foot of living area, including land, which is within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record. The Board gave less weight to the subject's sale due to the fact the sale did not occur proximate in time to the assessment date at issue. The subject sold in May 2013, which was over 19 months prior to the January 1, 2015 assessment date. Based on this record, the Board finds the subject's assessment is reflective of market value and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not justified.

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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.

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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:	June 23, 2017
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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

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the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year 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 the subsequent year 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.

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.