

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: AH4R IL

DOCKET NO.: 17-00379.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 06-34-327-033

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are AH4R IL, the appellant, by attorney Michael R. Davies of Ryan Law LLP in Chicago; and the Kane 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 **Kane** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$17,661 **IMPR.:** \$54,191 **TOTAL:** \$71,852

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Kane County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2017 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 part one-story and part two-story dwelling of frame exterior construction with 1,678 square feet of living area.¹ The dwelling was constructed in 1994. Features of the home include a concrete slab foundation, central air conditioning and a 462 square foot garage. The property has a 10,125 square foot site and is located in S. Elgin, Batavia Township, Kane County.

The appellant's appeal is based on overvaluation.² In support of this argument the appellant's counsel submitted limited information on three comparable sales located in the same subdivision

¹ The appellant's counsel provided limited information regarding the subject property. The information regarding the subject was gleaned from the evidence submitted by the board of review.

² The appellant's counsel marked "Assessment equity" as the basis for his appeal. However, the information disclosed in the grid analysis indicates a comparable sales argument.

as the subject property.³ The comparables consist of part one-story and part two-story dwellings of frame exterior construction containing 1,703 or 1,812 square feet of living area. The dwellings were constructed in 1994. The comparables feature basements, central air conditioning and 400 square foot garages. In addition, two comparables have fireplaces. The comparables have sites ranging in size from 8,500 to 10,454 square feet of land area. The comparables sold in February 2016 or January 2017 for prices ranging from \$150,000 to \$195,000 or from \$88.08 to \$107.62 per square foot of living area, including land. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$71,852. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$215,642 or \$128.51 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2017 three-year average median level of assessment for Kane County of 33.32% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In response to the appeal, the board of review submitted a memorandum and data prepared by the Elgin Township Assessor. In the memorandum, the assessor critiqued the appellant's comparables.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on six comparable sales located in the same subdivision as the subject property. The comparables consist of part one-story and part two-story dwellings of frame exterior construction ranging in size from 1,665 to 1,812 square feet of living area. The dwellings were constructed from 1994 to 1997. The comparables feature central air conditioning and garages containing either 400 or 462 square feet of building area. Additionally, one comparable has a concrete slab foundation, five comparables have basements and four comparables have fireplaces. The comparables have sites ranging in size from 9,360 to 16,960 square feet of land area. The comparables sold from August 2015 to September 2016 for prices ranging from \$223,900 to \$250,000 or from \$133.72 to \$139.75 per square foot of living area, including land.

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 no reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The parties submitted nine comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board gave less weight to board of comparable sales #1 through #3 as their sales in 2015 are dated and less likely to reflect the subject's market value as of the January 1, 2017 assessment date.

³ The appellant's counsel provided limited information regarding the comparables. The information regarding the comparables was gleaned from the evidence submitted by the board of review.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the three comparable sales submitted by the appellant, along with comparable sales #4 through #6 submitted by the board of review. These six comparables sold more proximate in time to the January 1, 2017 assessment date and are most similar to the subject in location, size, design, age and features. These comparables sold from February 2016 to January 2017 for prices ranging from \$150,000 to \$250,000 or from \$88.08 to \$137.97 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$215,642 or \$128.51 per square foot of living area, land included, which falls within the range established by the most similar comparable sales in this record. After considering adjustments to the comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds the subject's estimated market value as reflected by its assessment is supported and no reduction in the subject's 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.

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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:	July 16, 2019	
	Mauro Morioso	
	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 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.

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