



**FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION
ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD**

APPELLANT: Anup Shah
DOCKET NO.: 17-01807.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 11-28-302-034

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Anup Shah, the appellant, by attorney Ronald Kingsley of Lake County Real Estate Tax Appeal, LLC in Lake Forest; and the Lake 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 **Lake** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$77,808
IMPR.: \$240,268
TOTAL: \$318,076

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Lake 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 is improved with a two-story dwelling of brick construction with 4,829 square feet of living area. The dwelling was built in 2015. Features of the home include an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, two fireplaces and an attached garage with 1,020 square feet of building area. The property has a 16,944 square foot site and is located in Vernon Hills, Libertyville Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on five comparable sales improved with 2-story or 2.25-story dwellings with brick exteriors that range in size from 4,357 to 5,013 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 2000 to 2014. Each comparable has an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, one or three fireplaces and an attached garage ranging in size from 681 to 991 square feet of building area. These properties have sites ranging in size from 15,111 to

21,294 square feet of land area and are located within .54 miles of the subject property. The sales occurred from January 2015 to November 2016 for prices ranging from \$765,000 to \$1,025,000 or from \$173.55 to \$204.47 per square foot of living area, land included. The appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$287,297.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$318,076. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$959,505 or \$198.70 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2017 three-year average median level of assessment for Lake County of 33.15% 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 improved with two-story dwellings with brick exteriors ranging in size from 4,408 to 6,086 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 2000 to 2016. Each comparable has an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, one to four fireplaces, and an attached garage ranging in size from 681 to 900 square feet of building area. The comparables have sites ranging in size from 15,111 to 22,651 square feet of land area and are located within approximately .474 miles from the subject property. The sales occurred from March 2016 to November 2017 for prices ranging from \$765,000 to \$1,060,000 or from \$173.55 to \$226.05 per square foot of living area, including land. Board of review sales #1 and #4 are the same properties as appellant's sales #5 and #1, respectively.

The board of review requested the assessment be sustained.

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 record contains seven comparable sales submitted by the parties to support their respective positions with two being common to both parties. The Board gives less weight to appellant's comparables #2 and #4 as these were properties sold in September and January 2015, respectively, not as proximate in time to the assessment date at issue as the remaining sales submitted by the parties. The Board gives less weight to board of review sale #3 as this property is improved with a dwelling that is approximately 26% larger than the subject dwelling. The four remaining comparables are relatively similar to the subject property in location, style, construction, size and features; however, appellant's comparable #1/board of review comparable #4, and appellant's comparable #3 are 15 and 10 years older than the subject dwelling, respectively, indicating upward adjustments may be needed for age to make them more equivalent to the subject property. These four comparables sold for prices ranging from \$765,000 to \$1,025,000 or from \$173.55 to \$226.05 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$959,505 or \$198.70 per square foot of living area, including land, which is within the range established by the best comparable sales in

this record. Based on this evidence the Board finds the assessment of the subject property as established by the board of review is correct and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not justified.

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: September 15, 2020



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 PETITION AND EVIDENCE 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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