

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Jeffrey Davis DOCKET NO.: 17-02815.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 15-18-103-007

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Jeffrey Davis, 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: \$55,324 **IMPR.:** \$228,167 **TOTAL:** \$283,491

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 consists of a two-story dwelling of wood siding exterior construction with 5,094 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1999. Features of the home include a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, three fireplaces and a 792 square foot attached garage. The property has a 29,620 square foot site and is located in Long Grove, Vernon Township, Lake County.

The appellant's appeal is based on overvaluation. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on six comparable sales located from .13 of a mile to 1.60 miles from the subject property. The comparables are described as two-story dwellings of wood siding or brick exterior construction ranging in size from 4,558 to 5,445 square feet of living area. The dwellings were constructed from 1987 to 2000. Features of each comparable include a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, one or two fireplaces and an attached garage ranging

in size from 694 to 1,031 square feet of building area. Comparables #2, #3 and #6 have inground swimming pools ranging in size from 348 to 1,024 square feet. The properties have sites ranging in size from 23,958 to 122,404 square feet of land area. The comparables sold from April 2015 to March 2017 for prices ranging from \$528,000 to \$810,500 or from \$115.84 to \$163.15 per square foot of living area, including land. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's total assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$283,491. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$855,176 or \$167.88 per square foot of living area, including land, when applying 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 the subject's assessment, the board of review submitted information on eight comparable sales located within .723 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables are improved with two-story dwellings of wood siding or brick exterior construction that range in size from 4,690 to 5,380 square feet of living area. The dwellings were constructed from 1995 to 2006. Features of each comparable include a basement with five having finished area; central air conditioning; one to six fireplaces and a garage ranging in size from 772 to 1,446 square feet of building area. The properties have sites ranging in size from 30,061 to 49,368 square feet of land area. The comparables sold from March 2016 to June 2018 for prices ranging from \$789,000 to \$1,300,000 or from \$159.05 to \$277.19 per square foot of living area, including land. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested that the subject property's assessment be confirmed.

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 parties submitted 14 comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board gave less weight to appellant's comparable #1 and board of review comparable #2 which sold in 2015 or 2018, not as proximate in time to the January 1, 2017 assessment date as other sales in the record and thus, less likely to be reflective of market value as of that date. The Board gave less weight to the appellant's comparable #3 through #6 along with board of review comparables #6, #7 and #8 due to their distant location, dissimilar age and/or unfinished basement when compared to the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be appellant's comparable #2 and board of review comparables #1, #3, #4 and #5. These comparables are similar to the subject in location, dwelling size, design, age and features. They sold from June 2016 to December 2017 for prices ranging from \$789,000 to \$967,500 or from \$159.05 to \$188.28 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$855,176 or \$167.88 per square foot of living area, including land, which falls within the range established by the best

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. Based on this record, the Board finds that no reduction in the subject's assessment is 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.

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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 16, 2020 |
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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 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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