

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Anthony Young
DOCKET NO.: 18-02006.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 14-31-404-005

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Anthony Young, the appellant, by attorney Robert Rosenfeld of Robert H. Rosenfeld and Associates, LLC in Chicago; 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: \$67,975 **IMPR.:** \$134,221 **TOTAL:** \$202,196

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 2018 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 one-story dwelling of brick exterior construction with 2,962 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1972. Features of the home include an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a 441 square foot garage. The property has a 26,669 square foot lake front site¹ and is located in Barrington, Ela Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on three comparable sales located from .25 to .38 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables have sites that range in size from 20,554 to 24,632 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with one-story dwellings of brick exterior

¹ The board of review provided a copy of the subject's property record card describing the subject property as having a lake front site which was not refuted by the appellant.

construction ranging in size from 2,836 to 3,176 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1966 to 1971. Each comparable has an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a garage containing 483 or 598 square feet of building area. The sales occurred from June 2016 to May 2018 for prices ranging from \$480,000 to \$600,000 or from \$169.25 to \$188.92 per square foot of living area, land included. The appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$179,405 reflecting a market value of approximately \$538,269 or \$181.72 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the statutory level of assessment of 33.33%.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$202,196. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$611,233 or \$206.36 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2018 three-year average median level of assessment for Lake County of 33.08% 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 located from .196 to .285 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables have sites that range in size from 21,639 to 25,373 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with one-story dwellings of brick or wood siding exterior construction ranging in size from 2,291 to 3,239 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1968 to 1972. Each comparable has an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a garage ranging in size from 483 to 598 square feet of building area. The sales occurred from December 2016 to August 2019 for prices ranging from \$564,900 to \$780,000 or from \$196.05 to \$261.13 per square foot of living area, land included. The board of review argued that the subject and all of the board of review sales are lake front homes but none of the appellant's comparables are lake front sales which was not refuted by the appellant.² Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject's 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 no reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The parties submitted seven suggested comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board gave less weight to the appellant's comparable #3 as its sale date in June of 2016 occurred approximately 18 months prior to the assessment date at issue, thus less likely to reflect the subject's market value as of January 1, 2018. The Board gave reduced weight to board of review comparables #3 and #4 due to their smaller dwelling sizes when compared to the subject. Furthermore, board of review comparable #4 sold in August 2019 which is approximately 21 months after the January 1, 2018 assessment date.

² The board of review provided property record cards for each of its comparables which described comparables #1 and #4 as having lake front sites.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the appellant's comparables #1 and #2, along with board of review comparables #1 and #2. These four comparables sold proximate in time to the assessment date at issue and are similar to the subject in dwelling size, design, age and features, though three of the comparables do not have lake front sites like the subject. The comparables sold from December 2016 to May 2018 for prices ranging from \$480,000 to \$780,000 or from \$169.25 to \$261.13 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$611,233 or \$206.36 per square foot of living area, land included, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales contained in the record. After considering any necessary adjustments to the comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds the subject's estimated market value as reflected by the 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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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.

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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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