

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Jeyoung Jin

DOCKET NO.: 19-07554.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 15-24-306-038

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Jeyoung Jin, 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:** \$62,350 **IMPR.:** \$170,808 **TOTAL:** \$233,158

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 2019 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 2-story dwelling of wood siding exterior construction with 3,194 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1975 and is 44 years old. Features of the home include a basement with a recreation room, central air conditioning, one fireplace and a 529 square foot garage. The property has a 20,473 square foot site and is located in Lincolnshire, Vernon Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends assessment inequity with respect to the improvement as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on four equity comparables with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables are described as 2-story dwellings of brick or wood siding exterior construction ranging in size from 2,708 to 3,298 square feet of living area. The dwellings are 34 to 47 years old. Each comparable has a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, one or two fireplaces, and a garage

ranging in size from 396 to 650 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$119,231 to \$141,026 or from \$38.25 to \$45.79 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's improvement assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$233,158. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$170,808 or \$53.48 per square foot of living area. In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on five equity comparables with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables are described as 1-story, 1.5-story or 2-story dwellings of brick or brick and wood siding exterior construction ranging in size from 3,080 to 3,652 square feet of living area. The dwellings were constructed from 1972 to 1985 with comparables #1, #3 and #4 having reported effective ages of 1979, 1978 and 1983, respectively. Each comparable has a basement with four having a recreation room, central air conditioning, one or two fireplaces, and a garage ranging in size from 440 to 624 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$189,236 to \$204,237 or from \$54.02 to \$61.44 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

## **Conclusion of Law**

The appellant contends assessment inequity as the basis of the appeal. When unequal treatment in the assessment process is the basis of the appeal, the inequity of the assessments must be proved by clear and convincing evidence. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of unequal treatment in the assessment process should consist of documentation of the assessments for the assessment year in question of not less than three comparable properties showing the similarity, proximity and lack of distinguishing characteristics of the assessment comparables to the subject property. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(b). 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 equity comparables for the Board's consideration. The Board gives less weight to appellant's comparable #1, #2 and #4 due to smaller dwelling or lack of central air conditioning when compared to the subject. The Board gives less weight to board of review comparables #1, #3 and #4 which are dissimilar one-story dwellings or lack finished basement area when compared to the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be the appellant's comparable #3 and board of review comparables #2 and #5 which are more similar to the subject in location, style dwelling size, age and features. These comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$141,026 to \$194,527 or from \$44.18 to \$61.44 per square foot of living area. The subject has an improvement assessment of \$170,808 or \$53.48 per square foot of living area, which falls within the range established by the best comparables in the record. Based on this evidence, and after considering adjustments to the best comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds the appellant did not demonstrate with clear and convincing evidence that the subject's improvement was inequitably assessed 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.

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| 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.

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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.

# PARTIES OF RECORD

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