

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: CSMA BLT, LLC DOCKET NO.: 19-07752.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 07-31-206-011

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are CSMA BLT, LLC, the appellant, by attorney Abby L. Strauss, of Schiller Law P.C. in Chicago; and the DuPage 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 **DuPage** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$18,570 **IMPR.:** \$52,600 **TOTAL:** \$71,170

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the DuPage 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 two-story dwelling of frame construction with 1,755 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1986. Features of the home include a concrete slab foundation, central air conditioning and a two-car garage. The property has an 8,625 square foot site and is located in Aurora, Naperville Township, DuPage County.

The appellant's appeal is based on overvaluation. In support of this argument the appellant submitted evidence disclosing the subject property was purchased on July 31, 2017 for a price of \$159,900. The appellant completed Section IV – Recent Sale Data on the appeal disclosing the property was purchased from Obdie Hammond and the parties to the transaction were not related. The appellant submitted a Settlement Statement and a Multiple Listing Service (MLS) listing sheet for the subject property disclosing that the property was on the market for 14 days.

Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment to reflect the purchase price.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$71,170. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$215,732 or \$122.92 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2019 three year average median level of assessment for DuPage County of 32.99% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on five comparable sales located in the same neighborhood code as the subject property. The comparables have site sizes ranging from 6,298 to 8,730 square feet of land area. The comparables were improved with two-story dwellings of frame or brick and frame exterior construction and were built in 1986. The dwellings contain either 1,626 or 1,739 square feet of living area. Each comparable lacks a basement, three comparables have a fireplace and each comparable has a two-car garage. The comparables sold from June 2016 to June 2019 for prices ranging from \$208,500 to \$222,600 or from \$126.51 to \$136.90 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

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 best evidence of market value in the record to be the five comparable sales submitted by the board of review. These comparables were similar to the subject in location, style, construction, dwelling size, features, age and land area. These properties also sold proximate in time to the assessment date at issue. The comparables sold for prices ranging from \$208,500 to \$222,600 or from \$126.51 to \$136.90 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$215,732 or \$122.92 per square foot of living area, including land, which is within the range on a total market value basis and below the range as established by the best comparable sales in this record on a per square foot basis. The Board gave little weight to the subject's sale due to the fact the sale did not occur proximate in time to the assessment date at issue. Based on this record the Board finds the subject's assessment is reflective of market value 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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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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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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