



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

APPELLANT: Milos Coric
DOCKET NO.: 20-02521.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 15-13-308-003

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Milos Coric, 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: \$65,701
IMPR.: \$92,672
TOTAL: \$158,373

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 2020 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 part 1-story and part 2-story dwelling¹ of brick and wood siding exterior construction with 2,462 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1972 and is 48 years old. Features of the home include a foundation which is part concrete slab, part crawl space and part unfinished basement. The subject dwelling has central air conditioning, a fireplace and a 462 square foot garage. The property has an approximately 19,600 square foot site and is located in Lincolnshire, Vernon Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on four comparable sales located from 0.13 of a mile to 1.02 miles from the subject property. The comparables have sites that range in size from 19,601 to

¹ The Board finds the best description of the subject property was reported in the subject's property record card, submitted by the board of review and not refuted by the appellant.

30,927 square feet of land area and are improved with 2-story dwellings of brick or wood siding exterior construction that range in size from 2,556 to 2,952 square feet of living area. The dwellings range in age from 46 to 54 years old. Each comparable has a full or partial basement, three of which have finished area. The homes have central air conditioning, one fireplace and a garage ranging in size from 456 to 874 square feet of building area. The properties sold from February to September 2019 for prices ranging from \$350,000 to \$488,000 or from \$121.07 to \$168.23 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$122,669 which reflects a market value of \$368,044 or \$149.49 per square foot of living area, land included, when applying 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 \$158,373. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$475,737 or \$193.23 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2020 three-year average median level of assessment for Lake County of 33.29% 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 from 0.09 to 0.99 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables have sites that range in size from 17,860 to 21,340 square feet of land area and are improved with 1.5-story or 2-story dwellings of brick or brick and wood siding exterior construction that range in size from 2,157 to 2,786 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1964 to 1970. Four comparables have a full or partial basement, with three having finished area and one comparable has a crawl space foundation. The homes have central air conditioning, one or two fireplaces and a garage ranging in size from 484 to 575 square feet of building area. Comparable #3 has an inground swimming pool. The properties sold from February to September 2020 for prices ranging from \$509,500 to \$550,000 or from \$183.67 to \$254.98 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject'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 parties submitted nine comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparables #2, #3 and #4 which differ from the subject in dwelling size relative to other comparables in the record. The Board gives less weight to the board of review comparables #3 and #5 which have an inground swimming pool and/or lack a basement when compared to the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the appellant's comparable #1 along with board of review comparables #1, #2 and #4 which are more similar to the subject in

location, age, design, dwelling size and other features, although three of the four best comparables have finished basement area in contrast to the subject's unfinished basement. These comparables sold from July 2019 to September 2020 for prices ranging from \$430,000 to \$530,000 or from \$168.23 to \$203.53 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$475,737 or \$193.23 per square foot of living area, including land, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record. After considering appropriate adjustments to the comparables for differences from the subject, the Board finds 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:

October 18, 2022



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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