

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Andrea Nadulek
DOCKET NO.: 20-03571.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 15-32-202-006

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Andrea Nadulek, 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: \$23,989 **IMPR.:** \$89,703 **TOTAL:** \$113,692

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 one-story dwelling of frame exterior construction with 2,142 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1970 and has an effective age of 1976. Features of the home include a crawl space foundation, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a 442 square foot garage. The property has an approximately 10,750 square foot site and is located in Buffalo Grove, Vernon 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 with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and located within .70 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables have sites that range in size from 8,775 to 12,302 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with one-story dwellings of frame exterior construction containing either 1,870 or 2,056 square feet of living area. The dwellings were each built in 1970 and have

effective ages of 1972 or 1973. Each comparable has central air conditioning, one or two fireplaces and a garage containing 420 or 442 square feet of building area. The comparables sold from April to October 2019 for prices ranging from \$321,000 to \$337,500 or from \$156.13 to \$173.80 per square foot of living area, including land. The appellant submitted a copy of the multiple listing sheet for comparable #1 which revealed the dwelling was rehabbed in 2019.

Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$105,661, which would reflect a market value of \$317,015 or \$148.00 per square foot of living area, including land, 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 \$113,692. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$341,520 or \$159.44 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 with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and located within .58 of a mile from the subject property. Board of review comparable #3 is the same property as the appellant's comparable #2. The comparables have sites with 8,770 or 12,300 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with one-story dwellings of wood siding exterior construction containing either 1,614 or 2,056 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1969 to 1972 with comparables #1 and #3 having reported effective ages of 1974 and 1972, respectively. Two comparables have unfinished basements and three comparables have crawl space foundations. Each comparable has central air conditioning and a garage containing 420 or 442 square feet of building area. Four comparables have one or two fireplaces. Comparable #4 has a metal utility shed. The comparables sold from April 2019 to September 2020 for prices ranging from \$337,500 to \$375,000 or from \$164.15 to \$230.48 per square foot of living area, including land. 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 record contains seven suggested comparable sales for the Board's consideration, as one sale was common to both parties. The Board has given less weight to the appellant's comparable #3, as well as board of review comparables #1, #4 and #5 due to differences from the subject in dwelling size and/or foundation type.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the parties' remaining comparables, which includes the common comparable. The Board finds these comparables are similar to the

subject in location, dwelling size, design, foundation type, age and some features. The comparables sold in July 2019 and October 2019 for prices ranging from \$321,000 to \$365,000 or from \$156.13 to \$177.53 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$341,520 or \$159.44 per square foot of living area, including land, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales in the record. Based on this record and after considering adjustments to the best comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds no reduction in the subject's estimated market value as reflected by its 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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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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