



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

APPELLANT: Trupti Dixit
DOCKET NO.: 20-03679.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 15-14-403-030

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Trupti Dixit, the appellant, by attorney Eric Feldman of Eric Feldman & Assoc. P.C. 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: \$62,129
IMPR.: \$204,652
TOTAL: \$266,781

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 2-story dwelling of brick exterior construction with 3,596 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2010. Features of the home include a basement that is finished with a recreation room, central air conditioning, two fireplaces and a 714 square foot garage. The property has a 19,170 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 three comparable sales located from .38 to 1.58 miles from the subject property. Two comparables have sites containing 20,470 or 20,910 square feet of land area. No site size was provided for comparable #3. The comparables are improved with 1-

story,¹ 1.5-story or 2-story dwellings of brick or wood siding exterior construction ranging in size from 2,569 to 3,390 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1980 to 2003 with comparables #1 and #2 having reported effective ages of 1981 and 1986, respectively. The comparables each have a basement, one of which is finished with a recreation room. Each comparable has central air conditioning, one fireplace and a garage ranging in size from 420 to 1,254 square feet of building area. The comparables sold from July 2019 to July 2020 for prices ranging from \$348,000 to \$635,000 or from \$135.46 to \$194.48 per square foot of living area, including land. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's total assessment be reduced to \$201,604, which would reflect a market value of \$604,872 or \$168.21 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 \$266,781. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$801,385 or \$222.85 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 four comparable sales located from .41 to 1.07 miles from the subject property, two of which have the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables have sites that range in size from 20,040 to 24,830 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with 1.5-story or 2-story dwellings of brick, wood siding or wood siding and brick exterior construction ranging in size from 2,885 to 3,724 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1987 to 2004 with comparable #1 having a reported effective age of 2005. The comparables each have a basement, three of which are finished with a recreation room. Each comparable has central air conditioning, one or three fireplaces and a garage ranging in size from 600 to 940 square feet of building area. The comparables sold from July to December 2020 for prices ranging from \$730,000 to \$837,500 or from \$222.83 to \$264.99 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. The Board has given less weight to the appellant's comparables, as well as board of review comparables #3 and #4 due to differences from the subject in dwelling size and/or age.

¹ The appellant's comparable #3 has a ground floor area of 979 square feet with an above ground area of 2,569 square feet, suggesting this is a part two-story dwelling.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be comparables #1 and #2 presented by the board of review, which are relatively similar to the subject in location, dwelling size, design, age and some features. These two comparables sold in September and December 2020 for prices of \$775,000 and \$837,500 or for \$224.89 and \$227.47 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$801,385 or \$222.85 per square foot of living area, including land, which is bracketed by the two most similar comparable sales in the record in terms of overall market value, but below the comparables on a price per square foot basis. Based on this record and after considering adjustments to the 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.



Chairman



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: January 17, 2023



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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