

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT:	Navaneeth Reddy Bachireddy
DOCKET NO .:	20-04059.001-R-1
PARCEL NO .:	15-21-219-070

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Navaneeth Reddy Bachireddy, 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 <u>No Change</u> 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:	\$26,546
IMPR.:	\$76,444
TOTAL:	\$102,990

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 is improved with a 2-story dwelling of wood siding and Dryvit exterior construction with 1,460 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2007. Features of the home include a lower level with finished area, central air conditioning, and a 400 square foot garage. The property 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 five comparable sales with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and located within 0.15 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables are improved with 2-story dwellings of wood siding and brick or wood siding and Dryvit exterior construction ranging in size from 1,460 to 1,784 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 2006 to 2011. Three comparables each have a lower level with finished area and two comparables each have an unfinished basement. Each comparable has

central air conditioning and a garage with 400 or 420 square feet of building area. The properties sold from August 2019 to July 2020 for prices ranging from \$291,000 to \$365,000 or from \$180.49 to \$214.04 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$102,990. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$309,372 or \$211.90 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 with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and located within 0.18 of a mile from the subject. Board of review comparable #3 is the same property as the appellant's comparable #3. The comparables are improved with 2-story dwellings of wood siding and Dryvit exterior construction with 1,460 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built in 2007 or 2011. Each comparable has a lower level with finished area, central air conditioning, and a garage with 400 square feet of building area. The properties sold from April 2019 to January 2020 for prices ranging from \$312,500 to \$338,500 or from \$214.04 to \$231.85 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject's assessment be sustained.

Neither of the parties submitted the lot sizes for the subject nor the comparables in the record.

# **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 eight suggested comparable sales for the Board's consideration, including the parties' common comparable. The Board finds the parties' comparables to be similar in many respects; however, the Board has given lesser weight to the appellant's comparables #1, #2, and #4 which differ in dwelling size from the subject. The five remaining comparables, including the common comparable, are identical to the subject in dwelling size, have the same assessment neighborhood code, and have identical features to the subject. The most similar properties sold from April 2019 to March 2020 for prices ranging from \$305,000 to \$338,500 or from \$208.90 to \$231.85 per square foot of living area, land included. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$309,372 or \$211.90 per square foot of living area, land included, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales in the record. Based on the record, the Board finds a reduction in the subject's estimated market value as reflected by its assessment is not 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 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:

May 16, 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 <u>PETITION AND</u> <u>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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