

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Dalip Pelinkovic DOCKET NO.: 20-08434.001-R-2 PARCEL NO.: 07-07-403-026

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Dalip Pelinkovic, the appellant, by Jessica Hill-Magiera, Attorney at Law in Lake Zurich; and the DuPage County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>A Reduction</u> 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: \$80,130 **IMPR.:** \$169,870 **TOTAL:** \$250,000

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 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 5,461 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1990. Features of the home include a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, two fireplaces and a 3-car garage. The property has a 15,971 square foot site and is located in Aurora, Naperville Township, DuPage County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on six comparable sales located within .73 of a mile from the subject. The comparables are described as 2-story dwellings built from 1989 to 1995 and range in size from 4,145 to 6,372 square feet of living area. Each comparable has a basement, central air conditioning, and a 3-car garage. The comparables sold from March 2019 to December 2020 for prices ranging from \$472,540 to \$760,000 or from \$111.87 to \$159.23 per square foot of

living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's total assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$350,070. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$1,048,114 or \$191.93 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2020 three-year average median level of assessment for DuPage County of 33.40% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In response to the appellant's evidence, the board of review submitted a spreadsheet of the appellants' comparable sales that disclosed comparables #1 and #5 each have finished basement area. The board of review also asserted appellant's comparables #1 through #4 each have less living area, basement area, finished basement area and/or no finished basement area when compared to the subject.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information prepared by the township assessor on three comparable sales with two having the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables are improved with 2-story dwellings of frame, brick, or frame and brick exterior construction that range in size from 4,673 to 4,889 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1991 to 2017 and have basements with finished area. Each comparable has central air conditioning, one or two fireplaces and a 3-car or 4-car garage ranging in size from 766 to 1,303 square feet of building area. The comparables sold in July 2017 or August 2018 for prices ranging from \$892,000 to \$1,066,600 or from \$182.45 to \$228.25 per square foot of living area, land included. The board of review also provided a location map of both parties' comparables in relation to the subject property along with property record cards and exterior photographs. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

In written rebuttal, counsel for the appellant contended that the board of review comparables are not comparable due to their remote 2017 and 2018 sale dates.

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 met this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The Board finds the parties submitted nine comparables sales to support their respective positions. The Board gives less weight to appellant's comparables #2, #4 and #6 which are less similar in dwelling size when compared to the subject. The Board gives less weight to the board of review comparables which sold less proximate in time to the January 1, 2020 assessment date than the other comparables sales in the record.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be appellant's comparables #1, #3 and #5 which sold more proximate in time to the assessment date at issue and have varying degrees of similarity to the subject in age, dwelling size, and features. These comparables sold from October 2019 to August 2020 for prices ranging from \$524,000 to \$760,000 or from \$113.15 to \$159.23 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$1,048,114 or \$191.93 per square foot of living area, including land, which falls above the range established by the best comparables sales in this record. After considering adjustments to the best comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds the subject's estimated market value as reflected by the assessment is excessive and a reduction in the subject's assessment is 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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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:	December 19, 2023
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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 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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