



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

APPELLANT: Venkatrao Peddada  
DOCKET NO.: 21-01326.001-R-1  
PARCEL NO.: 15-21-305-004

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Venkatrao Peddada, the appellant, by attorney Gregory Riggs, of Tax Appeals Lake County in Lake Zurich; 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:** \$42,043  
**IMPR.:** \$169,998  
**TOTAL:** \$212,041

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 2021 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 exterior construction with 3,231 square feet of living area. The dwelling was built in 2015. Features of the home include a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, one fireplace, and a 652 square foot garage. The property has an approximately 10,742 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 four comparable sales located within 0.97 of a mile from the subject and with two of these comparables having the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property. The properties have sites that range in size from 6,970 to 13,521 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with 2-story dwellings of frame exterior construction ranging in size from 3,133 to 4,061 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1995

to 2015. Each comparable has a basement with three having finished area, central air conditioning, one fireplace, and a garage ranging in size from 567 to 721 square feet of building area. The properties sold from September 2019 to April 2020 for prices ranging from \$569,000 to \$672,000 or from \$165.48 to \$194.99 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment to \$206,646 which reflects a market value of \$620,000 or \$191.89 per square foot of living area, land included.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$212,041. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$637,717 or \$197.37 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2021 three-year average median level of assessment for Lake County of 33.25% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on two comparable sales<sup>1</sup> located within 0.45 miles from the subject and with each comparable having a different assessment neighborhood code than the subject property. The comparables are improved with 2-story dwellings of wood siding and brick exterior construction with 3,110 or 3,576 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built in 1991 or 2011. Each comparable has a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, and a garage with 630 or 704 square feet of building area. One comparable has one fireplace. The two properties sold in February and June 2021 for prices of \$660,000 and \$720,000 or \$212.22 and \$201.34 per square foot of living area, land included, respectively. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

### **Conclusion of Law**

The appellants contend 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 a total of six comparable sales to support their respective positions before the Property Tax Appeal Board. The Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparables #2 and #3 as well as board of review comparable #1 which differ from the subject in dwelling size, age, and/or lacks basement finish, which is a feature of the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the parties' three remaining comparables. These comparables are similar to the subject in design, age, dwelling size, and most features. The properties sold from September 2019 to February 2021 for prices ranging from \$569,000 to \$720,000 or from \$181.62 to \$201.34 per square foot of living area, land included. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$637,717 or \$197.37 per square foot of living area, land included, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record. Based on the record and after considering the necessary adjustments to the

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<sup>1</sup> Board of review comparable #3 is the same property as board of review comparable #1.

best comparables for differences from the subject, 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:

August 22, 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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