

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Tatiana Ivanov DOCKET NO.: 21-01499.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 09-02-307-007

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Tatiana Ivanov, 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 <u>a reduction</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: \$14,961 **IMPR.:** \$49,022 **TOTAL:** \$63,983

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 consists of a one-story ranch dwelling of vinyl siding exterior construction with 1,372 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2012. Features of the home include a concrete slab foundation, central air conditioning and a 400 square foot garage. The property has a 6,820 square foot site and is located in Wauconda, Wauconda Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends assessment inequity with respect to the improvement as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on four equity comparables that have the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and are located within .27 of a mile from the subject. The comparables are improved with one-story ranch dwellings of vinyl siding or vinyl siding and brick exterior construction with 1,372 or 1,575 square feet of living area, each built in 2012. Each comparable has a concrete slab foundation,

central air conditioning and a 400 square foot garage. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$44,093 to \$54,211 or from \$28.00 to \$35.52 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's improvement assessment be reduced to \$47,980 or \$34.97 per square foot of living area.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$65,413. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$50,452 or \$36.77 per square foot of living area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on four equity comparables that have the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and are located within .09 of a mile from the subject. The comparables are improved with one-story ranch dwellings of vinyl siding exterior construction, each with 1,372 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built in 2011 or 2012. One comparable has a concrete slab foundation and three comparables each have a basement, two of which have finished area. Each comparable has central air conditioning and a 400 square foot garage. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$49,292 to \$58,716 or from \$35.93 to \$42.80 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

Conclusion of Law

The taxpayer contends assessment inequity as the basis of the appeal. When unequal treatment in the assessment process is the basis of the appeal, the inequity of the assessments must be proved by clear and convincing evidence. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of unequal treatment in the assessment process should consist of documentation of the assessments for the assessment year in question of not less than three comparable properties showing the similarity, proximity and lack of distinguishing characteristics of the assessment comparables to the subject property. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(b). The Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted based upon the evidence in the record.

The record contains eight suggested equity comparables for the Board's consideration. The Board has given less weight to the appellant's comparables #2, #3 and #4 due to their larger dwelling sizes, when compared to the subject. The Board has given reduced weight to board of review comparables #1, #2 and #3 as each dwelling has a basement and/or basement finished area, when compared to the subject's concrete slab foundation.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be appellant's comparable #1 and board of review comparable #4, which are similar to the subject in location and identical to the subject in dwelling size, design, foundation type, age and features. These two comparables have improvement assessments of \$48,729 and \$49,292 or \$35.52 and \$35.93 per square foot of living area, respectively. The subject's improvement assessment of \$50,452 or \$36.77 per square foot of living area is greater than the two best comparables in this record. Based on this record the Board finds a reduction in the subject's 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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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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