

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Hoai Tran

DOCKET NO.: 21-01663.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 07-13-206-016

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Hoai Tran, 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:** \$9,311 **IMPR.:** \$81,302 **TOTAL:** \$90,613

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 ranch style dwelling of wood siding exterior construction with 1,620 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2014. Features of the home include an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a 462 square foot garage. The property has an approximately 10,410 square foot site and is located in Gurnee, Warren 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 from .43 of a mile to 1.63 miles from the subject property. The comparables have sites that range from 10,010 to 15,000 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with ranch style dwellings of wood siding exterior construction ranging in size from 1,693 to 1,882 square feet of living area that were built from 1986 to 1990. The appellant reported that each comparable has a basement, two with finished area, central air conditioning and an attached garage ranging in size from 420 to 560 square feet of building area. Three comparables each have a fireplace. Comparable #3 has an

additional detached 280 square foot garage. The comparables sold from July 2019 to October 2020 for prices ranging from \$191,000 to \$285,000 or from \$115.62 to \$151.43 per square foot of living area, including land. 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 \$90,613. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$272,520 or \$168.22 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 six comparable sales located from .42 of a mile to 1.31 miles from the subject property. The comparables have sites that range from 10,000 to 16,200 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with ranch style dwellings of wood siding exterior construction that ranging in size from 1,178 to 1,378 square feet of living area that were built from 1964 to 1992, with comparable #6 having an effective age of 1972. Each comparable has a basement, five with finished area, central air conditioning and either an attached or detached garage ranging in size from 440 to 728 square feet of building area. Three comparables each have a fireplace. The comparables sold from January 2019 to November 2020 for prices ranging from \$219,000 to \$254,900 or from \$170.65 to \$200.34 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 parties submitted a total of ten comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board finds all of the parties' comparables are relatively similar to the subject in design and some features. However, each of the comparables are older in age and smaller in size than the subject. In addition, three of the parties' comparables lack finished basement area and the remaining four have less finished basement area than the subject. Nevertheless, the parties' comparables sold from January 2019 to November 2020 for prices ranging from \$191,000 to \$285,000 or from \$115.62 to \$200.34 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$282,520 or \$168.22 per square foot of living area, including land, which is falls within the range established by the comparable sales in the record. After considering adjustments to the parties' comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds the subject's estimated market value as reflected by its assessment is supported given its age and features. Based on this evidence the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is not 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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## **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.

## PARTIES OF RECORD

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