



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

APPELLANT: Mon Ami Realty, LLC
DOCKET NO.: 21-02801.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 05-23-203-009

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Mon Ami Realty, LLC, the appellant, by attorney George N. Reveliotis, of Reveliotis Law, P.C. in Park Ridge; 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: \$3,150
IMPR.: \$60,693
TOTAL: \$63,843

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 dwelling of frame exterior construction with 1,060 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2009. Features of the home include a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, and a garage containing 504 square feet of building area. The property has a 4,400 square foot site and is located in Ingleside, 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 .52 of a mile of the subject and within the subject's assessment neighborhood. The comparables consist of one-story or two-story dwellings of frame exterior construction ranging in size from 1,054 to 1,225 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1936 to 1962, with effective ages ranging from 1954 to 1990. Two dwellings have central air conditioning, two comparables each have an

unfinished basement, and each comparable has a garage ranging in size from 294 to 864 square feet of building area. The parcels range in size from 6,900 to 20,180 square feet of land area. The comparables sold from May 2019 to August 2020 for prices ranging from \$146,000 to \$165,000 or from \$134.69 to \$146.67 per square foot of living area, including land. The appellant also submitted Multiple Listing Service sheets for four additional homes located in Buffalo Grove. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduced assessment of \$52,091, for an estimated market value of \$156,289 or \$147.44 per square foot of living area, including land, when applying the statutory level of assessment of 33.33%.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$63,843. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$192,009 or \$181.14 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 five comparable sales located within 1.23 miles of the subject, three of which are in the subject's assessment neighborhood. The comparables consist of one-story dwellings of frame or brick exterior construction ranging in size from 1,170 to 1,396 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1963 to 2008. Each dwelling has central air conditioning and a garage ranging in size from 420 to 528 square feet of building area. Two comparables each have a fireplace and four comparables each have a basement, two of which have finished area. The parcels range in size from 6,581 to 21,776 square feet of land area. The comparables sold from May 2020 to August 2021 for prices ranging from \$217,000 to \$229,999 or from \$164.76 to \$188.03 per square foot of living area, including land. The board of review also submitted a memorandum arguing that the appellant's comparables were much older and had more depreciation than the subject, that none of the comparables have finished basement area, that two of the comparables sold in 2019, and that one sale was unqualified. The board of review submitted a Sales Ratio Report and a Multiple Listing Service sheet for its comparable #2 as well. 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 nine comparable sales to support their respective positions before the Property Tax Appeal Board. The Board finds the parties' comparables are not truly similar to the subject due to differences in age, location, design, dwelling size, and/or site size. Nevertheless, the Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparables #1 and #2, which sold less proximate to the January 1, 2021 valuation date at issue. The Board also gives less weight to

appellant comparable #3, which is a dissimilar two-story design compared to the subject's one-story design.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the parties' remaining comparables, which sold proximate to the valuation date at issue and have varying degrees of similarity to the subject. These most similar comparables sold for prices ranging from \$146,000 to \$229,999 or from \$138.52 and \$188.03 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$192,009 or \$181.14 per square foot of living area, including land, which is within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record. Based on this evidence and after considering adjustments to the best comparables for differences when compared to the subject, 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.



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: _____

October 17, 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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