

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Naveen Kancherla DOCKET NO.: 21-04996.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 15-15-303-101

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Naveen Kancherla, the appellant, by attorney Ronald Kingsley, of Lake County Real Estate Tax Appeal, LLC in Lake Forest; 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: \$34,956 **IMPR.:** \$109,030 **TOTAL:** \$143,986

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 part one-story and part two-story townhome¹ of wood siding exterior construction with 2,481 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2004. Features of the home include a basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a 420 square foot garage. The property is located in Lincolnshire, Vernon Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on five comparable properties, four of which have recent sale information. Comparable #4 has no recent sale information and therefore shall not be analyzed or discussed further. The four comparable sales are located in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property. The comparables are improved with part one-story

¹ The Board finds the best description of the subject property was found in its property record card which includes a floorplan depicting the dwelling is part one-story and part two-story and its design to be a townhome.

and part two-story townhomes² with frame exterior construction ranging in size from 2,209 to 2,846 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built in 2003 or 2004. Each comparable has a basement with two having finished area. Each dwelling has central air conditioning, one fireplace and a 420 square foot garage. The properties sold from April 2017 to July 2020 for prices ranging from \$322,000 to \$440,000 or from \$140.18 to \$196.92 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's total assessment be reduced to \$123,211 which reflects a market value of \$369,670 or \$149.00 per square foot of living area, land included, 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 \$143,986. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$433,041 or \$174.54 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 three comparable sales located within 0.17 of a mile from the subject and in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property. The comparables are improved with part one-story and part two-story townhome³ style dwellings of wood siding exterior construction with either 2,297 or 2,481 square feet of living area. The homes were built in 2003. Each comparable has a basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a 420 square foot garage. The properties sold from June to November 2021 for prices ranging from \$405,000 to \$449,000 or from \$163.24 to \$182.85 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject's assessment be confirmed.

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 seven comparable sales for the Board's consideration as one comparable lacks recent sale information. The Board gives less weight to appellant comparables #3 and #5 which sold in 2017 or 2018, less proximate to the January 1, 2021 assessment date than other properties in the record.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be appellant comparables #1 and #2 along with the board of review comparables which are more similar to the subject in location, age,

² The appellant's comparables have ground floor living area of 1,932 or 170 square feet and above ground living area of 365, 2,676 or 2,039 square feet suggesting these properties are part one-story and part two-story in style.

³ The board of review comparables have ground floor living area of 979 or 170 square feet and above ground living area of 2,297 or 2,481 square feet suggesting these properties are part one-story and part two-story in style.

design, dwelling size and other features. These comparables sold from May 2020 to November 2021 for prices ranging from \$322,000 to \$449,000 or from \$140.18 to \$182.85 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$433,041 or \$174.54 per square foot of living area, including land, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record. After considering appropriate adjustments to the comparables for differences from the subject, the Board finds a reduction in the subject's 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.

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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.

Date:	August 22, 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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