

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Adam Gaudyn DOCKET NO.: 21-05521.001-R-1

PARCEL NO.: 12-02-33-104-014-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Adam Gaudyn, the appellant, by attorney George N. Reveliotis, of Reveliotis Law, P.C. in Park Ridge; and the Will 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 **Will** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

**LAND:** \$14,206 **IMPR.:** \$67,510 **TOTAL:** \$81,716

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

#### **Statement of Jurisdiction**

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Will 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 tri-level dwelling of brick and frame exterior construction with 1,860 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1992. Features of the home include a basement, central air conditioning, and a two-car garage. The property has a 10,701 square foot site and is located in Romeoville, DuPage Township, Will County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on the subject's recent sale as well as three comparable sales.

With regard to the sale of the subject, the appellant submitted evidence disclosing the subject property was purchased on April 4, 2017 for a price of \$170,000. The appellant reported that the property was sold by the owner and was not advertised. Furthermore, the sale did not occur due to a foreclosure action.

The appellant also submitted information on three comparable sales located within the same assessment neighborhood as the subject. The comparables consist of one-story, two-story, and part one-story and part two-story dwellings ranging in size from 1,935 to 2,780 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1994 to 2001. Two dwellings have central air conditioning, two dwellings each have a fireplace, two comparables each have a basement with finished area, and each comparable has a two-car garage. Based on supporting documentation in the submission, the parcels contain either approximately 11,326 or 11,761 square feet of land area. The comparables sold from March to September 2020 for prices ranging from \$170,000 to \$272,500 or from \$91.40 to \$127.91 per square foot of living area, including land. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduced assessment of \$69,867, for an estimated market value of \$209,622 or \$112.70 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 \$81,716. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$245,099 or \$131.77 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2021 three-year average median level of assessment for Will County of 33.34% 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 .14 of a mile of the subject and within the subject's assessment neighborhood. The comparables consist of tri-level dwellings of brick and frame exterior construction containing either 1,850 or 1,860 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1992 to 1994. Each dwelling has central air conditioning, a basement with one having finished area, and a two-car garage. The parcels range in size from 10,091 to 22,383 square feet of land area. The comparables sold from April 2019 to July 2021 for prices ranging from \$243,000 to \$282,000 or from \$130.65 to \$152.43 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 evidence of the subject's recent sale and a total of eight comparable sales to support their respective positions before the Property Tax Appeal Board. The Board gives little weight to the subject's 2017 sale price which is more distant in time from the subject's January 1, 2021 assessment date and less likely to be indicative of the subject's market value as of the lien date at issue than other sales in the record. The Board gives less weight to the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The appellant's grid lists the subject as comparable #4, which is not a "comparable" property.

appellant's comparables due to differences in design, dwelling size, and/or basement finish when compared to the subject. The Board also gives reduced weight to board of review comparables #1, #2, and #4 which sold less proximate to the valuation date at issue of January 1, 2021.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the board of review comparable sales #3 and #5, which sold proximate to the lien date at issue and are similar to the subject in age, location, dwelling size, and features. These most similar comparables sold for prices of \$258,000 and \$268,000 or for \$139.46 and \$144.09 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$245,099 or \$131.77 per square foot of living area, including land, which is below 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.

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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:	July 18, 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.

# PARTIES OF RECORD

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