

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Lawrence Raucci
DOCKET NO.: 21-20614.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 05-31-401-038-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Lawrence Raucci, the appellant, by attorney Robert Rosenfeld, of Robert H. Rosenfeld & Associates, LLC in Northbrook; and the Cook 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 **Cook** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$6,325 **IMPR.:** \$24,471 **TOTAL:** \$30,796

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Cook 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 multi-level dwelling of masonry exterior construction with 1,425 square feet of living area. The dwelling is approximately 58 years old. Features of the home include a partial basement with finished area, $2\frac{1}{2}$ bathrooms, central air conditioning, and a fireplace. The property has a 5,500 square foot site and is located in Glenview, New Trier Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-34 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends assessment inequity with respect to the improvement assessment as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on four equity comparables with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. One comparable is located on the same street as the subject. The comparables consist of class 2-34 multi-level dwellings of masonry exterior construction that range in size from 1,294 to 1,570 square feet of

living area. The dwellings are 58 to 62 years old. The comparables have partial basements, 1½ or 2½ bathrooms, and central air conditioning. No data was provided whether the comparables have finished basement area or a garage. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$21,480 to \$26,048 or from \$16.42 to \$16.75 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's improvement assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$30,796. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$24,471 or \$17.17 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 with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables are located in the subject's same block or ¼ of a mile from the subject, and one comparables is also located on the same street as the subject. The comparables consist of class 2-34 multi-level dwellings of masonry exterior construction with 1,284 or 1,294 square feet of living area. The homes are each 59 years old. The comparables have partial basements with finished area, 1 or 1½ bathrooms, and central air conditioning. One comparable has a fireplace, and two comparables each have a 2-car garage. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$23,147 to \$26,147 or from \$17.89 to \$20.362 per square foot of living area.

Conclusion of Law

The appellant 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 the appellant did not meet this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

The record contains eight comparables for the Board's consideration which are relatively similar to the subject in location, age, dwelling size and foundation type. Nevertheless, the Board gave less weight to the board of review comparables that have a garage and is not a feature of the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be the appellant's comparables and the board of review comparables #1 and #2. These comparables are similar to the subject in location, age, dwelling size, and foundation type. However, the comparables still require upward adjustments for a full bathroom, a fireplace and/or a basement finish when compared to the subject. These six comparables have assessments ranging from \$21,480 to \$26,048 or from \$16.42 to \$19.66 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$24,471 or \$17.17 per square foot of living area falls within the range established by the best comparables in the record. After considering adjustments to the best comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds the appellant did not demonstrate with clear and convincing evidence that the subject's improvement was inequitably assessed and 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.

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