

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: ABC Turnkey Prop LLC

DOCKET NO.: 21-26428.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 29-20-124-051-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are ABC Turnkey Prop LLC, the appellant, by Brian P. Liston, attorney-at-law of the Law Offices of Liston & Tsantilis, P.C. in Chicago, 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:** \$1,559 **IMPR.:** \$2,235 **TOTAL:** \$3,794

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 is improved with a one-story dwelling of frame construction containing 768 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1972 and is approximately 49 years old. Features of the home include partial basement with a formal recreation room and one bathroom. The property has a 5,670 square foot site located in Markham, Thornton Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-02 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted evidence disclosing the subject property was purchased in August 2018 for a price of \$27,250. The appellant completed Section IV – Recent Sale Data of the Residential Appeal form identifying the seller as Virginia Hollowell and further indicated the parties to the transaction were not related. The appellant further indicated the property as advertised for sale in

the Multiple Listing Service (MLS). To further document the transaction the appellant submitted a copy of the warranty deed, and a copy of the settlement statement dated August 7, 2018, disclosing the purchase price of \$27,250. The settlement statement did not disclose the payment of commissions to any realtor. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment to reflect the purchase price.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$3,794. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$37,940 or \$49.40 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the level of assessments for class 2 property of 10% under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four comparable sales improved with one-story dwellings of frame construction that range in size from 768 to 814 square feet of living area. The dwellings range in age from 49 to 51 years old. Each property has a full basement with three having finished area, and 1 or 1½ bathrooms. Two comparables have a 2-car garage. These properties have sites with either 5,580 or 5,670 square feet of land area. The comparables have the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and are located in the same block, "subarea" or ¼ of a mile from the subject. The sales occurred from December 2019 to April 2021 for prices ranging from \$39,000 to \$150,000 or from \$50.00 to \$195.31 per square foot of living area, including land.

### **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 Board finds the best evidence of market value in the record to be the comparable sales submitted by the board of review. These comparables were similar to the subject in location, style, construction, features, age and land area. These properties also sold proximate in time to the assessment date at issue. The comparables sold for prices ranging from \$39,000 to \$150,000 or from \$50.00 to \$195.31 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$37,940 or \$49.40 per square foot of living area, including land, which is below the range established by the comparable sales in this record. The Board gave less weight to the subject's sale due to the fact the transaction did not occur as proximate in time to the assessment date at issue as the sales presented by the board of review. Based on this record the Board finds the subject's assessment is reflective of market value 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.

Chairman

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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: May 20, 2025

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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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