

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT:	Andrea Krier
DOCKET NO .:	22-00153.001-R-1
PARCEL NO .:	11-07-103-005

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Andrea Krier, the appellant, by attorney Gregory Riggs, of Tax Appeals Lake County in Lake Zurich; and the Lake County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>No Change</u> 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:	\$51,269
IMPR.:	\$168,137
TOTAL:	\$219,406

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 2022 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 1-story dwelling of frame and brick exterior construction with 2,998 square feet of living area. The dwelling was built in 1976 with a reported effective age of 1982. Features of the home include an unfinished walkout basement, central air conditioning, one fireplace, and a 875 square foot attached garage. The property has an approximately 47,045 square foot site and is located in Libertyville, Libertyville Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends assessment inequity with respect to the improvement as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on three equity comparables located within 0.41 of mile from the subject, each of which has the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property. The comparables are improved with split-level or 1-story dwellings of brick or frame and brick exterior construction ranging in size from 3,098 to 3,596 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1983 to 1999. The comparables each have a basement, with one of these having finished area. Comparable #3 also

features a finished lower level. Each comparable has central air conditioning, one or two fireplaces, and an attached garage ranging in size from 914 to 1,134 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$110,978 to \$179,032 or from \$30.86 to \$56.80 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's improvement assessment to \$157,894 or \$52.67 per square foot of living area.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$219,406. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$168,137 or \$56.08 per square foot of living area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on three equity comparables located from 0.44 of mile from the subject, each of which has the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property. Board of review comparable #2 is the same property as the appellant's comparable #2. The comparables are improved with 1-story dwellings of brick or frame and brick exterior construction ranging in size from 1,865 to 3,152 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1986 to 2020 with the oldest home having a reported effective age of 1999. The comparables each have an unfinished walkout basement. Each comparable has central air conditioning and one or two fireplaces. Two comparables each have an attached garage with either 737 or 1,111 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$140,270 to \$179,032 or from \$56.80 to \$75.21 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject's assessment be confirmed.

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 parties submitted five equity comparables for the Board's consideration which includes one common comparable. As an initial matter, the Board finds none of the parties' suggested comparables to be truly similar to the subject due to differences from the subject in design, age, dwelling size, and/or other features. Nevertheless, the Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparable #1 which appears to be an outlier with an improvement assessment that is significantly lower than other comparables in this record, despite being a 10 year newer and 20% larger home than the subject. The remaining comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$140,270 to \$179,032 or from \$51.79 to \$75.21 per square of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$168,137 or \$56.08 per square foot of living area falls within the range established by the four remaining comparables in this record. Based on this record, 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.

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:

March 26, 2024

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</u> <u>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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