

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Deloris Alexander DOCKET NO.: 22-01748.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 13-25-302-007

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Deloris Alexander, the appellant, by attorney Ronald Kingsley, of Lake County Real Estate Tax Appeal, LLC in Hawthorn Woods; 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:** \$54,740 **IMPR.:** \$53,977 **TOTAL:** \$108,717

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 an approximately 80,829 square foot parcel that is improved with a 1-story dwelling of frame construction with 1,354 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1960. Features of the home include an unfinished basement, a fireplace, and a 480 square foot garage. The property is located in Barrington, Cuba Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends assessment inequity with respect to land only as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted a grid analysis with information on twelve land equity comparables located within 5.13 miles from the subject and within the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property. The comparables are described as improved parcels ranging in size from 86,635 to 92,950 square feet of land area. The land assessments of the comparables range from \$25,958 to \$59,372 or from \$.30 to \$.66 per square

foot of land area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's land assessment be reduced.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$108,717. The subject property has a land assessment of \$54,740 or \$.68 per square foot of land area. In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted a property information sheet for the subject property along with a grid analysis with information on nine land equity comparables located within 1.34 miles from the subject and within the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property. The comparables consist of improved sites ranging in size from 74,488 to 81,663 square feet of land area. The comparables have land assessments that range from \$51,740 to \$55,135 or for \$.68 or \$.69 per square foot of land area.

## **Conclusion of Law**

The taxpayer contends land 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 land assessment is not warranted.

The parties submitted a total of twenty-one land equity comparables in support of their positions before the Property Tax Appeal Board. The Board gave reduced weight to appellant's comparables #1 and #2 based on these properties appearing to be assessed at a preferential rate given their lot sizes being similar to the subject but their assessments being significantly lower relative to the remaining comparables in the record. The Board also gave less weight to appellant's comparables #3, #4, #9, #10, and #11 based on their larger site sizes relative to the subject parcel. Lastly, the Board gave less weight to board of review comparable #3, along with appellant's comparable #7 based on their locations being one mile or more in distance from the subject property. The Board finds the remaining comparables to be located more proximate to the subject, in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property and are relatively similar to the subject in parcel size. These land comparables have land assessments ranging from \$52,806 to \$58,512 or from \$.65 to \$.69 per square foot of land area. The subject's land assessment of \$54,740 or \$.68 per square foot of land area falls within the range established by the best land comparables in this record both in terms of overall land assessment and on a per square foot of land area basis. Therefore, based on this record, the Board finds that the subject parcel is equitably assessed and, therefore, no reduction in the subject's land assessment is 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.

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## 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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