

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Navin Nagrani DOCKET NO.: 23-02285.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 15-18-302-047

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Navin Nagrani, the appellant, by attorney Timothy C. Jacobs, of Kovitz Shifrin Nesbit in Mundelein; 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:** \$38,329 **IMPR.:** \$284,413 **TOTAL:** \$322,742

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 2023 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 2-story dwelling of frame exterior construction with 5,901 square feet of living area. The dwelling was built in 1993. Features of the home include a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, one fireplace, and a 907 square foot garage. The property has a 45,316 square foot site and is located in Long Grove, Vernon 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 four equity comparables that are located in the subject's assessment neighborhood and within 0.78 miles from the subject. The comparables are improved with either 2-story or tri-level dwellings of brick or frame exterior construction ranging in size from 5,291 to 6,330 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1991 to 1997 with comparables #1 and #4 having effective

ages of 1997 and 1992, respectively. Each comparable has a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, from three five fireplaces, and a garage that ranges in size from 655 to 976 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$177,712 to \$243,241 or from \$33.59 to \$42.75 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduced improvement assessment of \$222,350 or \$37.68 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 \$322,742. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$284,413 or \$48.20 per square foot of living area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on five equity comparables that are located in the subject's assessment neighborhood and within 0.60 of a mile from the subject. The comparables are improved with 2-story dwellings of brick exterior construction ranging in size from 5,547 to 5,877 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1993 to 2000. The dwellings each have a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, from two to four fireplaces, and a garage that ranges in size from 805 to 1,145 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$289,514 to \$300,085 or from \$50.39 to \$52.24 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

### **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 a total of nine suggested equity comparables to support their respective positions before the Property Tax Appeal Board. The Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparable #1 which has an improvement assessment that is significantly lower than the other comparables in this record and appears to be an outlier. The Board also gives less weight to the appellant's comparable #4 with its tri-level design, in contrast to the subject's 2-story design.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be the appellant's remaining comparables and the board of review comparables which are similar to the subject in location, design, age/effective age, dwelling size, and features. The seven remaining comparables have improvement assessments ranging from \$218,953 to \$300,085 or from \$36.96 to \$52.24 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$284,413 or \$48.20 per square foot of living area falls within the range established by the best 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.

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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:	November 19, 2024
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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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