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In the Matter of)
Morgan D., Jr., and Miriam S. King)
APN: 148-110-09)
Washoe County, Nevada)
PETITIONER)
Joshua Wilson) Case No. 13-265
Washoe County Assessor)
RESPONDENT)
Appeal of the Decision of the WASHOE COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION)

NOTICE OF DECISION

Appearances

Morgan King appeared on behalf of Morgan D., Jr., and Miriam S. King (Taxpayers).

Pete Kinne appeared on behalf of the Washoe County Assessor's Office (Assessor).

Summary

The matter of the Taxpayers' petition for review of property valuations for the 2013-14 Secured Roll within Washoe County, Nevada, came before the State Board of Equalization (State Board) for hearing in Carson City, Nevada, on August 19, 2013 after due notice to the Taxpayers and the Assessor.

The Taxpayer offered new evidence consisting of a spreadsheet analysis of comparable sales. The State Board admitted the new evidence into the record. See Tr., 8-19-13, p. 207, II. 14-25; NAC 361.739.

The State Board, having considered all evidence, documents and testimony pertaining to the valuation of the property in accordance with NRS 361.227, hereby makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decision.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- The State Board is an administrative body created pursuant to NRS 361.375.
- 2) The State Board is mandated to hear all appeals of property tax assessments pursuant to NRS 361.360 and NRS 361.400.
- 3) The Taxpayer and the Assessor were given adequate, proper and legal notice of the time and place of the hearing before the State Board, and the matter was properly noticed pursuant to the Open Meeting Law at NRS 241.020. See Record, SBE page 57.
- 4) The subject property is a single family residence containing 2,625 square feet, built in 2000, and located on Zermatt Court in the Cottages subdivision in Montreux, Washoe County, Nevada. See Record, SBE pages 45 and 50: Tr., 8-19-13, p.205, II, 22-23.
- 5) The Washoe County Board of Equalization (County Board) ordered the total taxable value of \$558,690 for the subject property be upheld for the 2013-2014 secured roll. See Record, SBE pages 9; 14-15.
- The Taxpayer presented sufficient evidence to support a value different from that established by the County Board. The State Board found sales of comparable property indicated the subject property should be valued lower. See Tr., 8-19-13, p. 221, I. 5 through p. 222, I. 22.
- 7) The State Board found the taxable value of the subject property should be reduced to \$530,000 with the value of the land remaining the same and the reduction in value applied to the improvements. See Tr., 8-19-13, p. 223, II. 7-22.
- 8) The assessed value as adjusted by the State Board is 35% of taxable value.
- 9) Any finding of fact above construed to constitute a conclusion of law is adopted as such to the same extent as if originally so denominated.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1) The Taxpayer timely filed a notice of appeal, and the State Board accepted jurisdiction to determine this matter.
- 2) The Taxpayer and the Assessor are subject to the jurisdiction of the State Board.
- 3) The State Board has the authority to determine the taxable values in the State.
- 4) The subject property is appraised, as adjusted, at the proper taxable value in accordance with NRS 361.227.
- 5) Any conclusion of law above construed to constitute a finding of fact is adopted as such to the same extent as if originally so denominated.

DECISION

The Petition of the Taxpayer is granted based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law. The Washoe County Comptroller is instructed to correct the assessment roll by adjusting the assessed valuation of the subject property as follows:

2013-2014 Secured Roll

	Taxable Value		Assessed Value	
Parcel Number 148-110-09	Established by County Board of Equalization	Revised By State Board	Established by County Board of Equalization	Revised by State Board
Land	\$87,000	\$87,000	\$30,450	\$30,450
Improvements	\$471,690	\$443,000	\$165,092	\$155,050
TOTAL	\$558,690	\$530,000	\$195,542	\$185,500

The Washoe County Comptroller is instructed to certify the assessment roll of the county consistent with this decision.

BY THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION THIS 315 DAY OF OCTOBER, 2013.

Christopher G. Nielsen, Secretary

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