

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Assessors met on Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at approximately 6:47 PM. Present were Chairman Steve McCarthy, Clerk Cheryl Smith, Principal Assessor John Donahue, and Principal Secretary Daniela Nilsson. Member Paula Bunker was unable to attend.

The Board continued their discussion from the Open Session regarding Abatement Application #14 for FY 2021. The Principal Assessor stated the initial assessment was due to the Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal software having an incorrect "Second Floor" label assigned to the dwelling sketch, which was changed to a "Half Story" label to better reflect the upstairs living area. The Board agreed that the data discrepancy had been corrected and stood by the offer and valuation that had been discussed with the taxpayer in Open Session, bringing his assessed valuation from \$724,500 to \$647,500.

The Board also discussed FY21 Applications for Abatement #'s 15 and 34. The Principal Assessor stated that a similar labeling change was applied for application #15 (as had been for application #14, referenced above) to better reflect a 'home theater' improved area located above the subject property's garage. Application for Abatement # 34 had duplicate signs removed from the Property Record card and a small abatement was therefore, recommended. The Board agreed with the Principal Assessor's recommendations.

The Board discussed the Appellate Tax Board (ATB) decision regarding FY18 abatement application #10. The Board members discussed whether or not the Board should also abate FY19 and FY20 applications for abatement, but decided to review the ATB's Findings of Fact before taking any other action.

The Board briefly reviewed the Appellate Tax Board Hearing schedule.

A **motion** was made by the Chairman and seconded by Clerk Smith to return to Open Session. A **roll call vote** was taken as follows: Chairman McCarthy = affirmative and Clerk Smith = affirmative. The Board adjourned Executive Session at approximately 7:05 P.M.

Next Meeting: September 15, 2021

I certify that the minutes of this meeting are true and accurate to the best of my recollection.

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Smith, Clerk

Prepared by Principal Secretary, Daniela Nilsson