CALGARY ASSESSMENT REVIEW BOARD DECISION WITH REASONS

In the matter of the complaint against the Property assessment as provided by the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26, Section 460(4).

Between:

Colliers International Realty Advisors Inc., COMPLAINANT

And

The City Of Calgary, RESPONDENT

Before:

D. Sanduga, PRESIDING OFFICER S. Rourke, MEMBER J. Rankin , MEMBER

This is a complaint to the Calgary Assessment Review Board in respect of Property assessment prepared by the Assessor of The City of Calgary and entered in the 2010 Assessment Roll as follows:

ROLL NUMBER:

067076109

LOCATION ADDRESS: 730 - 5 ST SW

HEARING NUMBER:

58728

ASSESSMENT:

\$2,340,000

This complaint was heard on 5th day of October, 2010 at the office of the Assessment Review Board located at Floor Number 3, 1212 – 31 Avenue NE, Calgary, Alberta, Boardroom 11.

Appeared on behalf of the Complainant:

D. Porteous

Appeared on behalf of the Respondent:

D. Thistle

Board's Decision in Respect of Procedural or Jurisdictional Matters:

Upon questioning by the Presiding Officer, the parties present indicated no objection to the composition of the Board. In addition, the Board members indicated no bias with respect to this file.

There were no preliminary issues raised by the parties and the Respondent did not have any recommendations on the file.

Property Description:

The subject properties Roll numbers: 067076109 and 067076000 consist of 2 vacant land parcels Located in Beltline, central core (DT-1).

Issues:

Is the assessed value correct?

Complainant's Requested Value: \$1,110,000

Board's Decision in Respect of Each Matter or Issue:

The Board reviewed the complainant's 8 assessment comparables (C1 page 4) and 7 downtown land sales comparables (C1 page 53) plus a typical office building FAR (C1 pages 49 -51) . The Board further noted that the subject parcels size has a limited development potential.

Board's Decision:

The Board reduces the 2010 Assessment from \$2,340,000 to \$1,660,000

DATED AT THE CITY OF CALGARY THIS 22 DAY OF October 2010.

Dean Sanduga Presiding Officer

An appeal may be made to the Court of Queen's Bench on a question of law or jurisdiction with respect to a decision of an assessment review board.

Any of the following may appeal the decision of an assessment review board:

- (a) the complainant;
- (b) an assessed person, other than the complainant, who is affected by the decision;
- (c) the municipality, if the decision being appealed relates to property that is within the boundaries of that municipality;
- (d) the assessor for a municipality referred to in clause (c).

An application for leave to appeal must be filed with the Court of Queen's Bench within 30 days after the persons notified of the hearing receive the decision, and notice of the application for leave to appeal must be given to

- (a) the assessment review board, and
- (b) any other persons as the judge directs.