



**Tax Year 2024
Real Property Assessment Appeal
City of Valdez
Office of the City Clerk**

Appeal Number 71

APR 01 2024
Date Received

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Applications must be received by the City Clerk's Office by: 5:00 p.m. on April 1, 2024.

Property ID Number:	<u>7150-110-007-D</u>	NOTE: A SEPARATE FORM IS REQUIRED FOR EACH PARCEL.
Property Owner:	<u>WILLIAM F. LUSK</u>	
Legal Description:	<u>LOT 7, BLOCK 110, VALDEZ TOWNSITE, LOT SIZE 7000 SF</u>	
Physical Address of Property:	<u>2243 9TH STREET (71501100070)</u>	

Contact information for all correspondence relating to this appeal:

Mailing Address:	<u>VALDEZ, AK</u>	
Phone (daytime):	[REDACTED]	Phone (evening): [REDACTED]
Email Address:	[REDACTED]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I AGREE TO BE SERVED VIA EMAIL

THE ONLY GROUNDS FOR APPEAL ARE: UNEQUAL, EXCESSIVE, IMPROPER, OR UNDER VALUATION OF THE PROPERTY (VMC 3.12.110(C)). Mark reason for appeal and provide a detailed explanation below for your appeal to be valid. (Attach additional sheets as necessary)

- My property value is excessive. (Overvalued)
- My property was valued incorrectly. (Improperly)
- My property has been undervalued.
- My property value is unequal to similar properties.

The following are **NOT** grounds for appeal:

- ↳ The taxes are too high.
- ↳ The value changed too much in one year.
- ↳ You cannot afford the taxes.

You must provide specific reasons and provide evidence supporting the item checked above.

Unfortunately, the city continues the confusing practice of allowing properties on 9th Street to continue using Richardson Highway addresses. William Lusk owns 2301 Richardson Highway (2.522 Acres) and ADJOINING properties 2173 and 2243 "9th Street" (3.857 acres), for a total of 6.379 Acres. While the 9th Street properties are divided into 12 parcels each for a total of 24 parcels, a throwback to early Valdez townsite practice, it serves no purpose other than requiring the printout of 24 additional billings each year come tax time, and now the filing of 24 protests. The property was purchased to allow expansion of Mr. Lusk's business and has never been considered for sale or offered for sale as separate parcels. Continued on back.

2024 COV Assessed Value	<u>7,000.00</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,000.00</u>
	Land	Improvements	Total
Appellant's Opinion of Value	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>
	Land	Improvements	Total

**** THE APPELLANT BEARS THE BURDEN OF PROOF UNDER AS 29.45.210(b) AND VMC 3.12.120 (G)(1)(e) ****

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Without city participating in installing water and sewer, under current DEC rules, a property of at least one acre is required to install a septic system or well, which would require over 6 of the Seven hundred square feet lots to be combined for the property to have meaningful usefulness. In the early days a privy did not require a lot of land to serve the landowner and building lots were smaller. Assessor Martins professes that small light industrial lots are more valuable. If you look at how LI zoning is being used in Valdez, you will find much of it is for Residential purposes. Individuals who want a larger lot to live on and are willing to pay a higher cost. Larger parcels that may actually be used for light industrial use are assessed lower. Mr. Lusk uses his land for his heavy equipment and trucking business, there is not even a residential component at all. It seems appropriate for the total acreage amount to be used in determining his tax base instead of charging one rate for 2.522 acres and then 24 parcels at 700 square feet each, which would give him 6.379 acres to be assessed.

The requested comparable properties I was provided and the 2024 proposed values for properties the assessors have worked up would suggest a value of perhaps \$0.53 a square foot, not \$1.00.

Proposed Tax Values for 2024

115 Glacier Haul Rd.	5.977 A	\$ 0.56
2500 Richardson Hwy	7.25 A	\$ 0.51
596 Hobart	7.29 A	\$.051
2580 Richardson Hwy	5.05 A	\$.60

- I intend to submit additional evidence within the required time limit of 15 days prior to the hearing date.
- My appeal is complete. I have provided all the evidence that I intend to submit, and request that my appeal be reviewed based on the evidence submitted.

Check the following statement that applies to who is filing this appeal:

- I am the owner of record for this property and my name appears on the assessment roll
- I am the agent or assigns of the owner of record for this property (provide additional documentation outlined in VMC 3.12.110 (D))

3.12.110 (D)
Oath of Appellant: I hereby affirm that the foregoing information and any additional information that I submit is true and correct.

William F. Lusk
 Signature of Appellant / Agent / Assigns

3/31/24
 Date

WILLIAM F. LUSK
 Printed Name of Appellant / Agent / Representative

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Action by Assessor

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Our assessments are conducted in accordance with the relevant regulations, particularly Ataska Statute 29.45.110, which stipulates the methodology for determining property values based on current market conditions. Based on the appeal review and conversation with the property owner - we recommend adjusting the land value to reflect the size and usable area

Was the value adjusted by the Assessor YES NO

Adjusted Assessed Value	<u>\$4,800</u>	<u>\$4,800</u>	
	Land	Improvements	Total

W. O. [Signature]
 Signature of Assessor

4/11/2024
 Date

VMC 3.12.110 (H) - If the assessor and the appellant mutually resolve a duly filed appeal prior to a hearing by the board of equalization, the appellant may withdraw that appeal. The appellant's withdrawal must be filed in writing with the assessor or stated under oath at a board of equalization hearing prior to the assessor closing the appeal.

- I hereby accept the foregoing assessed valuation in the amount of \$ _____ and withdraw my appeal to the Board of Equalization.
- I hereby reject the foregoing assessed valuation and will proceed with my appeal before the Board of Equalization.

William F. Lusk
 Signature of Appellant / Agent / Assigns

4/16/24
 Date

CURRENT OWNER	Property Identification			
WILLIAM F LUSK [REDACTED] VALDEZ AK 99686-0071	Parcel #	7150-110-007-0	Use	V - Vacant Land
	City Number	2334	Building	
			Service Area	Valdez

Property Information					
Improvement Size	<input type="text"/>	Year Built	<input type="text"/>	Land Size	7,000 SF
Basement Size	<input type="text"/>	Effective Age	<input type="text"/>	Zone	U
Garage Size	<input type="text"/>	Taxable Interest	Fee Simple		

Legal Description						
Plat #	<input type="text"/>	Lot #	7	Block	110	
		Tract	<input type="text"/>	Doc #	<input type="text"/>	
				Rec. District	318 - Valdez	
Describe	<input type="text"/>				Date recorded	<input type="text"/>

PROPERTY HISTORY							
Year	Taxable Interest	Land	Improvement	Assessed Value	Exempt Value	Taxable Value	Trending
2024	Fee Simple	\$7,000		\$7,000	\$0	\$7,000	
2023	Fee Simple	\$900		\$900	\$0	\$900	
2022	Fee Simple	\$900		\$900	\$0	\$900	
2021	Fee Simple	\$900		\$900	\$0	\$900	

NOTES



LAND DETAIL

Market Neighborhood Site Area **7,000** **SF** Topo **Level** Vegetation **Brushy**

Access **Public road** Frontage **Ft** View **Neutral** Soil **Typical**

Utilities Typical Water Sewer Telephone Electric LQC

Comments

SITE IMPROVEMENTS

Site Improvements Total

Description	Area	Unit Value	Adj.	Value	Comments
	7,000	SF	x \$1.00	= \$7,000	
		SF	x	=	
		SF	x	=	
		SF	x	=	
Total	7,000	SF	Fee Value:	\$7,000	

SUMMARY FEE SIMPLE VALUATION

Inspected By Date Inspected Valued By Date Valued

VALUATION CHECK				FEE VALUE SUMMARY	
The Total Fee Value				Total Residential	
Income Value = NOI Ratio = NOI / =				Total Commercial	
Comments <input type="text"/>				Other Improvements	
				Total Improvements	
				Land & Site imp	\$7,000
				Total Property Value	\$7,000



TAX LOT NO: 7150-110-007-0

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Lot 7 Block 110

2243 9TH

OLD VALDEZ TOWNSITE SUBDIVISION

LOT 7 BLOCK 110 OLD VDZ TOWNSITE

Owner

VALDEZ LAND INC,

Mailing Address

Property Address

Lot

7

Block

110

TAX LOT NO:

7150-110-007-0

OLD VALDEZ TOWNSITE

SUBDIVISION

Permits

Date Built

Remodeled

Effect. Age

Observed Physical Condition Exterior P F A G E Interior P F A G E Foundation P F A G E

Building Type And Use

SFR Duplex 3-Plex 4-Plex No. Stories: Avg Wall Height: % Basement: Frame: WD Steel Pole Log: " Rnd "Sq.

Exterior

T1-11 Plywood Metal Vinyl Hardi Plank T&G Cedar Log Siding Stucco

Interior (Continued)

Floor Total BR BA Bsmnt 1st 2nd 3rd Attic Total B/Grade Sq.Ft. A/Grade Sq.Ft.

Heat

Oil Gas Propane Hot Water Baseboard Forced Warm Air Radiant Space Heater (DV) Fireplaces Steel with flue #Story Heatilator Masonry Raised Hearth Fir Lvl Hearth Wood Stove P F A G

Plumbing (Continued)

Water Source Sewer Source

Foundation

Poured Concrete Concrete Block Steel Pier Wood P&B: Skids Wood Sills

Roof

Gable Hip Flat Gambrel Mansard Metal Comp Shingle Cdr Shake Built-up Tar Paper G & D

Kitchen

Refrigerator Range/Oven Disposal Dishwasher Fan/Hood Microwave Washer/Dryer

Plumbing

No. Tubs W/Shw No. Toilets No. Basins No. Kit. Sinks No. Shower Stalls No. Hot Wa. Tanks No. Laundry Trays

Electrical

Wired Grade 220 Service

Basement

Partial SF Full SF Poured Concrete Concrete Block Cribbed Outside Entrance Room Count Fin Walls Fin Firs Fin Ceil BA Encl

Attic / Dormers

None Stairs Drop Stair Scuttle Floor Heated Finished Area: 1. 2. 3. 4. Total Area: Sq.Ft.

Sauna Baths

Built-in Prefabricated Detached Bath House Elec. Wall Unit Elec. Floor Unit Wood Stove

Porches

Total Sq.Ft. Quality P F A G Hot Tub Ft.Dia. Quality Low Avg High Jacuzzi Tubs Quality Low Avg High

Frame

Floor o.c. Walls o.c. Roof o.c.

Floors

Kitchen Bath Living Rm Bed Rms

Other Buildings

Area Floor Interior Heat Roof Interior Heat

BUILDING VALUE CALCULATION

Table with columns: Item, Area, Unit, Total, Performed By, Date

OPERATIONS AND PROCEDURES

Table with columns: Inspection, Classification, Calculation, Review, DEPRECIATION

BUILDING AREA CALCULATION

Table with columns: Repl Cost, Age, Condition, Building Value

ADDITIONS AND DEDUCTIONS

Table with columns: Effective Age, Observed Physical, Total Depreciation, Net Condition, OBSOLESCENCE

DEPRECIATION

Table with columns: Effective Age, Observed Physical, Total Depreciation, Net Condition, OBSOLESCENCE

Scale 1/4" =

Table with columns: Perimeter, Scale 1/4" =

SUMMARY OF APPRAISED VALUE

Table with columns: Total Replacement Cost, Cost Conversion Factor, Adjusted Replacement Cost, Total Appraised Value