



COUNTY JUDGE

Fort Bend County, Texas

Robert E. Hebert
County Judge

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May 10, 2010

Mr. and Mrs. Balram Thakral
4518 Buffalo Lake Ct.
Richmond, Texas 77406-7933

Reference: Account Number 9163-01-002-0050-907; Tax Year 2009, Precinct 3

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Thakral:

The County has received your request to waive penalty and interest on Fort Bend County property taxes. Fort Bend County is also authorized by Fort Bend ISD to act on their behalf, bringing the total amount requested to \$547.61 for the referenced account for tax year 2009.

If you have documented proof of an **error** on the part of the County Tax Office or the Central Appraisal District, you may present that documentation to the Commissioners Court on Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at 1:00 p.m., when your request will be considered. The Commissioners Court is located at the William B. Travis Building, 301 Jackson Street, Suite 700, in Richmond, Texas.

Please contact your Commissioner, Andy Meyers at (281) 494-9076 or by email at meyersan@co.fort-bend.tx.us if you wish to discuss your request in further detail.

State law mandates that the Commissioners Court cannot approve a waiver of penalty and interest on property taxes unless an error can be proved on the part of either the County Tax Office or the Central Appraisal District.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert E. Hebert", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert E. Hebert

Copy: Andy Meyers, Commissioner Precinct 3

Section 33.011(a)(1) of the Texas Property Code states, "The governing body of a taxing unit: shall waive penalties and interest on a delinquent tax if an act or omission of an officer, employee, or agent of the taxing unit or the appraisal district in which the taxing unit participates caused or resulted in the taxpayer's failure to pay the tax before delinquency."

COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR / COLLECTOR

Fort Bend County, Texas

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DATE: April 26, 2010

TO: County Judge Robert E. Hebert
Commissioner Richard Morrison
Commissioner Grady Prestage
Commissioner Andy Meyers
Commissioner James Patterson
Roy Cordes, County Attorney

FROM: Tammy Staton **T.S.**
Tax Division Supervisor

RE: Waiver of Penalty and Interest –Thakral, Balram & Sushil K: Acct#9163-01-002-0050-907;
2009 Tax Year; Legal Description: Waterside Estates Sec 1, Block 2, Lot 5;
Precinct 3

Mr. & Mrs. Thakral are requesting waiver of penalty and interest on the above referenced account for the 2009 tax year because they state when they purchased this foreclosed property they were under the impression that the title company would pay the 2009 taxes.

Tax Office records indicate:

- Original deed #2009091353 was recorded on August 28, 2009 with the owner listed as Balram & Sushil K. Thakral, 4518 Buffalo Lake Ct., Richmond, TX 77406.
- November 3, 2009—2009 Supplement 1 added with the new owner added Thakral Balram & Sushil K., 4518 Buffalo Lake Ct, Richmond, TX 77406-7933.
- November 13, 2009—2009 September Name/Address change added to Thakral Balram & Sushil K., 4518 Buffalo Lake Ct, Richmond, TX 77406-7933.
- November 15, 2009—2009 Original Tax Statement was mailed to Thakral Balram & Sushil K, 4518 Buffalo Lake Ct, Richmond, TX 77406-7933. **2009 Original Statement was not returned by Post Office.**
- November 16, 2009—2009 Name Change 9 Statement was mailed to Thakral Balram & Sushil K, 4518 Buffalo Lake Ct, Richmond, TX 77406-7933. **2009 N/A change 9 was not returned by Post Office.**
- 2009 Tax Roll list the owner as Thakral Balram & Sushil K, 4518 Buffalo Lake Ct, Richmond, TX 77406-7933.
- There is no evidence of an error by the Ft Bend Central Appraisal District or the Ft Bend County Tax Office.
- Fort Bend ISD has authorized Fort Bend County Tax Office to handle the processing of the waiver of penalty and interest and allow the Fort Bend County Commissioners Court to make the determination based on 33.011 of the State Property Tax Code.

Breakdown of Taxes Paid:

2009Tax Year	FBISD	Ft Bend County	Total
Base Tax	\$ 4,399.68	\$ 1,684.89	\$ 6,084.57
Penalty & Interest	<u>395.97</u>	<u>151.64</u>	<u>547.61</u>
Total	\$ 4,795.65	\$ 1,836.53	\$ 6,632.18

Total Penalty & Interest: \$547.61

I do not recommend waiver of penalty and interest. Property Tax Code Section 33.011 (a) (1). "The governing body of a taxing unit: shall waive penalties and may provide for the waiver of interest on a delinquent tax if an act or omission of an officer, employee, or agent of the taxing unit or the appraisal district in which the taxing unit participates caused or resulted in the taxpayer's failure to pay the tax before delinquency..."

DUPLICATE TAX RECEIPT



**PATSY SCHULTZ, RTA
FORT BEND COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/ COLLECTOR
1317 EUGENE HEIMANN CIRCLE
RICHMOND, TEXAS 77469
(281) 341-3710**

Certified Owner:

**THAKRAL BALRAM & SUSHIL K
4518 BUFFALO LAKE CT
RICHMOND, TX 77406-7933**

Legal Description:

WATERSIDE ESTATES SEC 1, BLOCK 2, LOT 5

**Parcel Address: 4518 BUFFALO LAKE CT
Legal Acres: 0.0000**

Remit Seq No: 16168765

**Deposit No: L100402
Validation No: 154
Account No: 9163-01-002-0050-907
Operator Code: SILG**

**Receipt Date: 03/31/2010
Deposit Date: 04/05/2010
Print Date: 04/22/2010**

Year	Tax Unit Name	Tax Value	Tax Rate	Levy Paid	P&I	Atty Paid	Total
2009	Fort Bend Isd	337,140	1.305000	4,399.68	395.97	0.00	4,795.65
2009	Fort Bend Co Drainage	337,140	0.020760	69.99	6.30	0.00	76.29
2009	Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd	337,140	0.479000	1,614.90	145.34	0.00	1,760.24
				\$6,084.57	\$547.61	\$0.00	\$6,632.18

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**Check Number(s):
001009**

PAYMENT TYPE:

Checks: \$6,632.18

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Exemptions on this property:

Total Applied: \$6,632.18

Change Paid: \$0.00

ACCOUNT PAID IN FULL

**PAYER:
THAKRAL BALRAM & SUSHIL K
4518 BUFFALO LAKE CT
RICHMOND, TX 77406-7933**

(281) 341-3710

Balram & Sushil Thakral

4518 Buffalo Lake Ct. Richmond, Texas 77406-7933
Telephone Home: (832) 363-1577 Cell: (281) 793-6379

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

County Judge Robert Herbert
301 Jackson, Suite 719
Richmond, Texas 77469

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Subject: Request for Waiver of Penalty and Interest
Account Number: 9163-01-002-0050-907
Legal Description: Waterside Estate SEC 1, BLOCK 2, LOT 5
Tax Year 2009
Current Mailing Address: 4518 Buffalo Lake Ct. Richmond, Texas 77406

Honorable County Judge Robert E. Herbert,

This correspondence is to request waiver of interest and penalties on the above property tax. We purchased a foreclosed home from Formosa Management on August 28, 2009. When we purchased the home we were under the impression that the title company took care of the property tax for year 2009 and we will be responsible for paying property taxes afterwards.

Upon receiving a delinquent tax notice, I contacted the Charter Title Company. The title company explained me that we owe taxes for 2009 and we have to pay them. They said that they gave us credit towards the closing costs for tax period 01/01/2009 thru 08/27/2009, and we have owned the home for the remainder of the year.

We have been living in Fort Bend County since February 1995 at 7126 Navidad Road, Houston, Texas 77083 and have paid taxes on or before the due date. We sold that home in December 2009 and the 2009 taxes were paid at the time of closing with the same title company.

There was a big misunderstanding concerning property tax at the above property. If we would have known that we owe taxes, we would have paid on or before the due date.

We would really appreciate if you could kindly consider waiving the interest and penalty for this first and this one time only.

Thank you for your understanding and assistance in this matter.

Best regards,

Balram & Sushil Thakral
Balram & Sushil Thakral
Sushil Thakral