



COUNTY JUDGE

Fort Bend County, Texas

Robert E. Hebert
County Judge

June 12, 2014

(281) 341-8608
Fax (281) 341-8609

David M. Hermes
3302 Oakland Drive
Sugar Land, TX 77479

Reference: Account Number: 0097-00-000-4508-907
Tax Year 2013, Precinct 4

Dear Mr. and/or Mrs. Hermes:

The County has received your request to waive penalty, interest, and collection fees on Fort Bend County property taxes. Fort Bend County is also authorized to act on behalf of Fort Bend Independent School District and the City of Sugar Land which represents a total amount of \$622.15 for penalties assessed on the referenced account for tax year 2013. The Tax Assessor's Office has conducted research on your account; a copy of the research is enclosed with this letter, and has also been provided to the Commissioners Court.

The information you provided, along with the Tax Office research, has been placed on the Agenda, becoming part of public record, for the Commissioners Court meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. Commissioners Court is located at the Historic Courthouse, 401 Jackson Street, 2nd Floor, in Richmond, Texas.

You are not required to appear in order for the Court to consider your request. Action by the Court is governed by guidelines under Texas Tax Code, Chapter 33, Section 33.011*, Commissioners Court cannot waive penalty, interest and/or collection fees unless there is evidence of an error by the appraisal district or the County. However, if you have any new information showing proof of an error that was not researched by the Tax Assessor and wish to discuss, please contact your Commissioner, James Patterson, prior to June 24, 2014, at telephone 281-980-2235 or by email at james.patterson@fortbendcountytexas.gov, to discuss any additional documentation you may wish to provide to the Court when they consider your request.

Sincerely,

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

Robert E. Hebert

Enclosure

Copy: Commissioner James Patterson, Precinct No. 4

*Section 33.011(a)(1) of the Texas Tax Code states, "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."



COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR / COLLECTOR

Fort Bend County, Texas

Patsy Schultz, RTA
County Tax Assessor/Collector
1317 Eugene Heimann Circle
Richmond, TX 77469-3623

(281) 341-3710
Fax (281) 341-9267
Email: schulpat@co.fort-bend.tx.us
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DATE: June 11, 2014

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 –David M Hermes: Account # 0097-00-000-4508-907, 2013 Tax Year;
Legal Description: 0097 S M Williams, Acres 0.258

Precinct 4 *J*

David M Hermes is requesting a waiver of penalty and interest for the 2013 tax year, stating he did not receive 2013 original statement due to it being sent to wrong party.

Tax Office Records Indicate:

- October 25, 2013 – 2013 Original Tax Statement was mailed to Brand, Eric R & Elizabeth A, 306 Brooks St, Sugar Land, TX 77478-3230. **This statement was not returned by the Post Office. – “See Attachment A”**
- February 2014-2013 Reminder Statement was mailed to Brand, Eric R & Elizabeth A, 306 Brooks St, Sugar Land, TX 77478-3230. **This statement was returned by the Post Office- Not Deliverable as Addressed. – “See Attachment B”**
- May 20, 2014 – 2013 33.07 Notice was mailed to Brand, Eric R & Elizabeth A, 306 Brooks St, Sugar Land, TX 77478-3230. **This statement has not been returned by the Post Office.**
- The Fort Bend Central Appraisal District has evidence of Ownership change to David M Hermes, 4610 Sweetwater Blvd, Ste 230, Sugar Land, TX 77479 on June 14, 2012 per deed filed on 5/10/2012.
- The Fort Bend Central Appraisal District changed ownership to prior owner, Brand Eric R & Elizabeth, in error.

- There is evidence of an error by the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District.
- Fort Bend ISD & City of Sugar Land has authorized Fort Bend County Tax Office to handle the processing of the waiver of penalty, interest and collection fees 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:

Account 0097-00-000-4508-907:

2013 Tax Year

Tax Unit	Base	Penalty & Interest	Total Waiver Request
Fort Bend ISD	\$2,586.60	\$387.99	\$387.99
City of Sugar Land	\$596.37	\$89.46	\$89.46
FBC	\$964.68	\$144.70	\$144.70
Total	\$4,147.65	\$622.15	\$622.15 ✓

Total Penalty and Interest: \$622.15 ✓

I do recommend waiver of penalty and interest for 2013. 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..."

David M Hermes
3302 Oakland Drive
Sugar Land, Texas 77479
June 3, 2014

County Judge Robert E. Hebert
301 Jackson, Suite 719
Richmond, Texas 77469

COUNTY JUDGE
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RE: Account No: 0097-00-000-4508-907)
Legal Description: 0097 S M Williams, Acres 0.258
Parcel Address: 306 Brooks St.
Year in Question: 2013

Dear Judge Hebert:

I am writing to request a waiver of the tax penalty and interest in the amount of \$622.15 charged to the above referenced account. Although the Fort Bend County Tax Assessor's office was made aware of my purchase of the property in 2012 and was given the correct mailing address to send tax statements, the 2013 tax statement was mailed to the wrong party and I never received a statement for last year.


My family has held its residence, multiple property interest, and a business in Ft. Bend County for many years and has always paid its property tax in a timely fashion.

I purchased the referenced property in 2012 and the tax statement for that year was correctly mailed to my business address and to my attention (attached statement). After not receiving my 2014 tax appraisal proposal in May of this year, I called the tax appraisal district and was informed that all tax information relating to the property was being sent to the previous owner's attention and being mailed to the property address. I then contacted the tax assessor's office and became aware that my 2013 tax statement was sent to the previous owner as well (attached statement).

The taxes, including the penalty, were paid immediately upon my finding that an outstanding amount was due. I am asking that you consider these circumstances sufficient grounds for granting the tax penalty and interest waiver.

Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,



David M Hermes

DUPLICATE TAX RECEIPT



PATSY SCHULTZ, RTA
FORT BEND COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/ COLLECTOR
1317 EUGENE HEIMANN CIRCLE
RICHMOND, TEXAS 77469-3623

Certified Owner:

BRAND ERIC R & ELIZABETH A
306 BROOKS ST
SUGAR LAND, TX 77478-3230

Legal Description:

0097 S M WILLIAMS, ACRES 0.258

Parcel Address: 306 BROOKS ST
Legal Acres: 0.2580

Remit Seq No: 26315007
Receipt Date: 06/04/2014
Deposit Date: 06/04/2014
Print Date: 06/10/2014 10:43 AM
Printed By: DEANNS

Deposit No: 0140604BC6
Validation No: 900000031407484

Account No: 0097-00-000-4508-907
Operator Code: VICKYG

Year	Tax Unit Name	Tax Value	Tax Rate	Levy Paid	P&I	Coll Fee Paid	Total
2013	Fort Bend Isd	193,030	1.340000	2,586.60	387.99	0.00	2,974.59
2013	City Of Sugar Land	193,030	0.308950	596.37	89.46	0.00	685.83
2013	Fort Bend Co Drainage	193,030	0.015000	28.95	4.34	0.00	33.29
2013	Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd	193,030	0.484760	935.73	140.36	0.00	1,076.09
				\$4,147.65	\$622.15	\$0.00	\$4,769.80

Check Number(s):
2691

PAYMENT TYPE:

Checks: \$4,769.80

Exemptions on this property:

Total Applied: \$4,769.80

Change Paid: \$0.00

ACCOUNT PAID IN FULL

PAYER:
LINK CRUDE RESOURCES LLC
4610 SWEETWATER BLVD STE 230
SUGAR LAND, TX 77479

(281) 341-3710

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