

COUNTY JUDGE

Fort Bend County, Texas

Robert E. Hebert County Judge

July 11, 2017

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

Mita & Rajesh Ghosh 1831 Waterside Dr Missouri City, TX 77459

Reference:

Account Number: 2158-01-003-0370-907

Tax Year 2016, Precinct 4

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Ghosh:

The County has received your request to waive penalty and interest on Fort Bend County property taxes. Fort Bend County is also authorized to act on behalf of Fort Bend Independent School District, the City of Missouri City and Houston Community College - Missouri City which represents a total amount of \$607.83 for penalties assessed on the referenced account for tax year 2016. 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, July 25, 2017 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 July 25, 2017, at telephone 281-980-2235 or by email at james.patterson@fortbendcountytx.gov, to discuss any additional documentation you may wish to provide to the Court when they consider your request.

Sincerely,

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 www.fortbendcountytax.com

DATE:

July 11, 2017

TO:

County Judge Robert E. Hebert Commissioner Vincent Morales Commissioner Grady Prestage Commissioner Andy Meyers Commissioner James Patterson Roy Cordes, County Attorney

FROM:

Tammy Staton T. S. Chief of Property Taxes

Re: Waiver of Penalty and Interest – Mita & Rajesh Ghosh; Account # 2158-01-003-0370-907; 2016 Tax Year; Legal Description: Brightwater Point Estates Sec 1, Block 3, Lot 37

Precinct 4

Mita & Rajesh Ghosh are requesting a waiver of penalty and interest for the 2016 tax year, stating that they initiated payment through online bill pay with their bank to pay 2016 taxes on January 30, 2017. They stated that they were under the impression that as long as the payment was initiated before January 31, 2017 there would not be any penalty and interest.

Tax Office Records Indicate:

- November 7, 2016 2016 Original Tax Statement mailed to Ghosh Rajesh K & Mita, 1831 Waterside Drive, Missouri City TX 77459-1671; Amount \$8,683.22.
- February 8, 2017 The Fort Bend County Tax Office received online bill payment in the amount of \$8,683.22 through the United States Post Office. There is no postmark on the envelope and the check is dated February 2, 2017.
- February 17, 2017 Short notice, along with receipt and statement was sent to Mita Ghosh requesting payment of \$607.83 (includes February penalty and interest).

- March 9, 2017 The Fort Bend County Tax Office received payment of \$607.83 from Rajesh Ghosh & Mita Ghosh. (includes February penalty and interest).
- The payment made by check dated February 2, 2017 was received after the delinquency date in an envelope without a postmark. There is no evidence submitted by the taxpayer showing that the taxpayer or bank delivered payment for the taxes before the delinquency date to the United States Postal Service.
- There is no evidence that an error was made by the Fort Bend County Tax Office or Fort Bend Central Appraisal District.
- Fort Bend ISD, City of Missouri City, and Houston Community College-Missouri City have 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 Section 33.011 of the State Property Tax Code.

Breakdown of Taxes Paid:

Account 2158-01-003-0370-907:

2016 Tax Year

Tax Unit	Base	Penalty & Interest	Total Waiver Request		
FORT BEND ISD	\$ 4,764.91	\$ 333.54	\$ 333.54		
MISSOURI CITY	\$ 2,131.68	\$ 149.22	\$ 149.22		
HCC-MC	\$ 343.43	\$ 24.04	\$ 24.04		
FBC	\$ 1,443.20	\$ 101.03	\$ 101.03		
Total	\$ 8,683.22	\$ 607.83	\$ 607.83		

Total Penalty and Interest: \$607.83

<u>I do not</u> recommend waiver of penalty and interest for **2016**. 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...

Mita & Rajesh Ghosh

1831 Waterside Dr Missouri City, TX 77459 Ph:832-434-9779

Email: mitaboseghosh@gmail.com

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March 13,, 2017

COUNTY JUDGE ROBERT E.HEBERT **401 JACKSON** RICHMOND, TEXAS 77469-3110

REF: ACCOUNT NO 2158-01-003-0370-907 PROP LEGAL DESCRIP: BRIGHTWATER POINT ESTATES, SEC 1, BLOCK 3, LOT 37 TAX YEAR - 2016 TAX PAYER CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS & PH NO: 1831 Waterside Dr, Missouri City, TX 77459 Ph:832-434-9779

Mailed: USPS Recorded Delivery

Respected Judge Robert:

Please refer to note (COPY ENCLOSED) requesting for an additional payment of \$607.83. Please note the following in this regard. I would like to appeal to waive the penalty and interest amount charged of \$607.83 due to the following reasons:

- 1) Full payment of \$8683.22 as per your Bill was paid by us by Check no 5733 through ONLINE BILL PAY, payment being initiated on January 30, 2017
- 2) Please see my Bank confirmation of payment being initiated by me on January 30, 2017 .(actually we initiated it on January 28th which being a Saturday, the initiation was recorded on January 30 (Monday) We were under the impression that as long as we initiate the payment BEFORE January 31, 2017, there will be no penalty or interest on the Tax payable.
- There was no indication on our Online Bill Pay system to say that the payment will be mailed AFTER January 31, 2017.
- Moreover, the rule is to avoid the additional charges, the Payment needs to be postmarked by January 31, 2017 . In our case too, we had initiated the payment well before the January 31, 2017 deadline. As any payment postmarked by January 31 would reach your office AFTER this deadline date, our payment too as it had been initiated in our Bank on January 28th, should be treated as having been postmarked BEFORE the deadline date .
- In view of the above I would like to draw your attention to the following provision of Section 33.011 of the Texas Property Tax Code which states:

(j) The governing body of a taxing unit may waive penalties and interest on a delinquent tax if the taxpayer submits evidence sufficient to show that the taxpayer delivered payment for the tax before the delinquency date to:

- (2) a private delivery service for delivery, but an act or omission of the private carrier resulted in the taxpayer's payment being received by the taxing unit after the delinquency date. -

In this case we instructed our Bank to pay the Tax before January 31, 2017 but the delivery of the actual check was delayed by the Bank to February 2, 2017.

In view of the above, we request you to please waive the additional charges of \$607.83 and help us as this is a burden very hard for us to bear!!

Please also note that we will be out of town on the following dates in case you wish to set dates for our Hearing:

March 14, 2017 - March 26, 2017

April 1- May 3, 2017

We have already paid the penalty amount of \$607.83 by check no 10184 which has since been encashed by the County Office

If you have any further questions or need additional information, please contact me at the

Looking forward to hearing from you favorably,

Sincerely,

ita & Rajesh Ghosh

Enclosure:1Copy of demand letter of the county tax assessor /collector2) copy of our bank confirming that we instructed our bank to pay on January 30, 2017

CHECK. PLEASE CUT AT THE DOTTED LINE AND RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT. AMOUNT DUE IF PAID BY THE END OF: Print Date: 02/08/2017 02/28/2017 7% 03/31/2017 9% 04/30/2017 11% 05/31/2017 13% 06/30/2017 15% 07/31/2017 18 + 20% \$9,291.04 \$9,464.70 \$9,638,37 \$9,812.04 \$9,985.70 \$12,169.68

PLEASE NOTE YOUR ACCOUNT NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK AND MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
PATSY SCHULTZ PCC

PATSY SCHULTZ, PCC FORT BEND COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR PO BOX 1028 - PAYMENT PROCESSING DEPT SUGAR LAND, TX 77487-1028



2158-01-003-0370-907 GHOSH RAJESH K & MITA 1831 WATERSIDE DR MISSOURI CITY, TX 77459-1671 AMOUNT PAID:

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Message

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Reply

Date: MAR 11 2017 11:41:15 AM

Subject: RE:RE:Bill Pay Inquiry

Thank you for replying to our message and my name is Joni. I reviewed your online activity and confirmed that you initiated the payment to Patsy Schultz FB County on 01/30/17. If I can help further, please do not hesitate to write me again or, if you prefer, you may call our Online Banking Department directly at 1.888.444.9876. Thank you for banking online with us!

The Fort Bend County Tax Office received your property tax payment on 02/08/2017.

Your payment was **short or miswritten**. There is an additional \$607.83 due. Payment

MUST be received by 03/08/2017. For payments postmarked after 03/08/2017 please call the

Tax Office for correct amount due since penalty and interest continue to accrue.

Account No. 2158-01-003-0370-907.

1317 Eugene Heimann Circle Richmond, TX 77469-3623 Please submit payment to: Patsy Schultz, PCC Ph# 281-341-3710 Candace Cortez Clerk's Name

DELINQUENT TAX STATEMENT DETAIL



PATSY SCHULTZ, PCC FORT BEND COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/ COLLECTOR 1317 EUGENE HEIMANN CIRCLE RICHMOND, TEXAS 77469-3623 (281) 341-3710

Mail To:

GHOSH RAJESH K & MITA 1831 WATERSIDE DR MISSOURI CITY, TX 77459-1671 Legal Description:

\$51.12

BRIGHTWATER POINT ESTATES SEC 1, BLOCK 3, LOT 37

2016 Value: \$407,830

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Appr. Dist. No.: R187186

\$39.76

Legal Acres: 1831 WATERSIDE DR Parcel Address:

Account No: 2158-01-003-0370-907

CANDACEC 02/17/2017 Printed By: Print Date: As of Date: 02/17/2017 IF PAID BY IF PAID BY IF PAID BY April 30, 2017 March 31, 2017 February 28, 2017 Penalty Deling. Penalty Penalty Total Remaining Interest Tax Date Total Rec Interest Total Interest Levy Units MM/YY \$346.01 Receipt Year Type \$34.29 \$339.77 \$28.05 \$21.82 \$333.54 \$311.72 02/17 2016 TL \$154.80 \$15.34 \$152.01 \$12.55 \$149.22 \$9.76 \$139,46 02/17 61 TL \$24.94 \$2,47 \$24.49 \$2.02 \$24.04 \$1.57 \$22,47 62 02/17 \$3.54 TL \$0.35 \$0.29 \$3,48 \$0.22 \$3.41 \$3.19 78 02/17 TL \$101.27 \$10.04 \$99,44 \$97.62 \$8.21 \$6.39 02/17 \$91,23 79 TL \$630.56 \$62.49 \$619.19 \$51.12 \$607.83 \$39.76 \$568.07 Subtotals for 2016:

Tax Unit Codes:

FORT BEND ISD 1

CITY OF MISSOURI CITY 61

\$568.07

HOUSTON COMM COLL MISS CITY

\$607.83

FORT BEND CO DRAINAGE

\$619.19

\$62.49

\$630.56

32.1.23

FORT BEND CO GEN FND

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:

THE TAXES ON THIS PROPERTY ARE DELINQUENT. THE PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO A LIEN FOR THE DELINQUENT TAXES. IF THE DELINQUENT TAXES ARE NOT PAID, THE LIEN MAY BE FORECLOSED.

Print Date: 02/17/2017

PLEASE CUT AT THE DOTTED LINE AND RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT.

Appr. Dist. No.: R187186

PLEASE NOTE YOUR ACCOUNT NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK AND MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

PATSY SCHULTZ, PCC FORT BEND COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR PO BOX 1028 - PAYMENT PROCESSING DEPT SUGAR LAND, TX 77487-1028 (281) 341-3710

Amount Due If Paid By \$607.83 February 28, 2017 \$619.19 March 31, 2017 \$630.56 April 30, 2017 Amount Paid:

2158-01-003-0370-907

GHOSH RAJESH K & MITA 1831 WATERSIDE DR MISSOURI CITY, TX 77459-1671

DUPLICATE TAX RECEIPT



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

Certified Owner:

GHOSH RAJESH K & MITA 1831 WATERSIDE DR MISSOURI CITY, TX 77459-1671 Legal Description:

BRIGHTWATER POINT ESTATES SEC 1, BLOCK

3, LOT 37

Parcel Address: 1831 WATERSIDE DR

Legal Acres:

0.0000

Remit Seq No: 34843848 Receipt Date: 02/08/2017 Deposit Date: 02/08/2017

Print Date: 04/11/2017 11:21 AM

Printed By: LINDAW

Deposit No:

J170208AW14

Validation No:

Account No:

2158-01-003-0370-907

Operator Code:

JONES

Year	Tax Unit Name	Rec Type	Tax Value	Tax Rate	Levy Paid	P&I	Coll Fee Paid	Total
2016	Fort Bend Isd	TL	355,590	1,340000	4,453.19	311.72	0.00	4,764.91
2016	City Of Missouri City	TL	380,590	0.560100	1,992,22	139.46	0.00	2,131.68
2016	Houston Comm Coll Miss City	TL	342,531	0.100263	320.96	22.47	0.00	343.43
2016	Fort Bend Co Drainage	${ m TL}$	304,472	0.016000	45.53	3.19	0.00	48,72
2016	Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd	TL	304,472	0.458000	1,303.25	91,23	0.00	1,394.48
					\$8,115.15	\$568.07	\$0.00	\$8,683.22

Check Number(s):

005733

PAYMENT TYPE:

Checks:

\$8,683,22

Exemptions on this property:

CAPPED HOMESTEAD

Total Applied:

\$8,683,22

Change Paid:

\$0.00

PAYER: GHOSH RAJESH K & MITA 1831 WATERSIDE DR

MISSOURI CITY, TX 77459-1671

ACCOUNT PAID IN FULL

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DUPLICATE TAX RECEIPT



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

Certified Owner:

GHOSH RAJESH K & MITA 1831 WATERSIDE DR MISSOURI CITY, TX 77459-1671 Legal Description:

BRIGHTWATER POINT ESTATES SEC 1, BLOCK

3, LOT 37

Parcel Address:

1831 WATERSIDE DR

Legal Acres:

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Remit Seq No: 35047719 Receipt Date: 02/08/2017 Deposit Date: 03/09/2017

Print Date: 04/11/2017 11:21 AM

Printed By: LINDAW

Deposit No:

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Validation No:

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Account No:

2158-01-003-0370-907

Operator Code:

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Year	Tax Unit Name	Rec Type	Tax Value	Tax Rate	Levy Paid	P&I	Coll Fee Paid	Total
2016	Fort Bend Isd	T.L	355,590	1.340000	311.72	21.82	0.00	333.54
2016	City Of Missouri City	TL	380,590	0.560100	139.46	9.76	0.00	149.22
2016	Houston Comm Coll Miss City	TL	342,531	0,100263	22,47	1.57	0.00	24.04
2016	Fort Bend Co Drainage	TL	304,472	0.016000	3,19	0.22	0.00	3.41
2016	Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd	TL	304,472	0.458000	91.23	6.39	0.00	97.62
					\$568.07	\$39.76	\$0.00	\$607.83

Check Number(s):

10184

PAYMENT TYPE:

Checks:

\$607.83

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Exemptions on this property:

CAPPED HOMESTEAD

Total Applied:

\$607.83

Change Paid:

\$0.00

PAYER:

RAJESH GHOSH OR MITA GHOSH 1831 WATERSIDE DR MISSOURI CITY , TX 77459-1671 ACCOUNT PAID IN FULL

(281) 341-3710

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