

## COUNTY JUDGE

Fort Bend County, Texas

The Honorable KP George  
County Judge

April 12, 2019

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

Linda Whitson  
3135 Stratford Bend Dr.  
Sugar Land, TX 77498

Reference: Account Number: 7515-02-001-0370-907  
Tax Year 2018, Precinct 4

Dear Ms. Whitson:

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 and Fort Bend Emergency Services District #5 which represents a total amount of \$232.09 for penalties assessed on the referenced account for tax year 2018. 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, April 23, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. Commissioners Court is located at the Historic Courthouse, 401 Jackson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, Ken R. DeMerchant, prior to April 23, 2019, at telephone 281-980-2235 or by email at [commpt4@fortbendcountytexas.gov](mailto:commpt4@fortbendcountytexas.gov), to discuss any additional documentation you may wish to provide to the Court when they consider your request.

Sincerely,

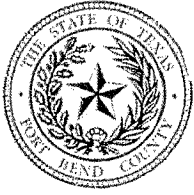
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KP George", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

KP George

Enclosure

Copy: Commissioner Ken R. DeMerchant, 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, PCC  
County Tax Assessor/Collector  
1317 Eugene Heimann Circle  
Richmond, TX 77469-3623

(281) 341-3710  
Fax (281) 341-9267  
Email: patsy.schultz@fortbendcountytx.gov  
www.fortbendcountytx.gov

DATE: April 11, 2019

TO: County Judge KP George  
Commissioner Vincent Morales  
Commissioner Grady Prestage  
Commissioner Andy Meyers  
Commissioner Ken R. De Merchant  
Roy Cordes, County Attorney

FROM: Tammy Staton *T.S.*  
Chief of Property Taxes

COUNTY JUDGE  
RECEIVED  
APR 12 2019

Re: Waiver of Penalty and Interest – Linda Whitson: Account # 7515-02-001-0370-907, 2018 Tax Year; Legal Description: Stratford Park Village Two, Block 1, Lot 37; Mailing Address: 3135 Stratford Bend Dr, Sugar Land, TX 77498.

### Precinct 4

Linda Whitson is requesting a waiver of penalty and interest for the 2018 tax year, stating she paid her taxes on January 25, 2019 through her bank's bill pay feature.

Tax Office Records and research indicate:

- November 2, 2018 - The Original 2018 Tax Statement was mailed to Whitson Linda, 3135 Stratford Bend Dr, Sugar Land, TX 77498-7399. **This statement was not returned by the Post Office**
- February 13, 2019 - 2018 Reminder Notice was mailed to Whitson Linda, 3135 Stratford Bend Dr, Sugar Land, TX 77498-7399. **This statement was not returned by the Post Office**
- February 18, 2019 – Linda called the office stating she paid online through her Bank's online bill payment feature on 1/25/2019. She was told to verify with her bank the check information and to verify if the payment has cleared.
- February 19, 2019 – Linda called regarding the online bill payment that we did not receive. She faxed a good faith letter from her bank stating that the payment was made

but an old property tax account number was referenced that she no longer lives at. She said that she will pay the taxes online once she receives the money back in her account from her bank.

- February 21, 2019 – Payment received in the amount of \$3,547.68 (including February Penalty and Interest).
- There is no evidence of an error by the Fort Bend County Tax Office or Fort Bend Central Appraisal District.
- Fort Bend ISD and Fort Bend ESD # 5 have authorized Fort Bend County Tax Office to handle the processing of the waiver of penalty, 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:**

**Account 7515-02-001-0370-907:**

**2018 Tax Year**

Tax Unit	Base	Penalty & Interest	Total Waiver Request
Fort Bend ISD	\$2,400.55	\$168.04	\$168.04
Fort Bend ESD # 5	\$147.18	\$10.30	\$10.30
FBC	\$767.86	\$53.75	\$53.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,315.59</b>	<b>\$232.09</b>	<b>\$232.09</b>

**Total Penalty and Interest: \$232.09**

I **do not** recommend waiver of penalty and interest for **2018**. 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..."

County Judge  
Received

FEB 25 2019

Linda Whitson

3135 Stratford Bend Dr.  
Sugar Land, TX 77498

February 23, 2019

Fort Bend County  
Commissioner's Court  
301 Jackson St.  
Richmond, TX 77469  
RE: Waiver Request

\$232.09 fee amount

7515-02-001-0370-907 account number

Dear Honorable County Judge,

I am requesting a waiver and refund of the fee assessed, \$232.09. In good faith, on January 25, 2019, I paid my taxes timely in amount of \$3,315.59 through my bank's bill pay feature. I received a notice from the Fort Bend County Tax Assessor and Collector on February 16, 2019 that it was not received. I immediately contacted the tax office and my bank to do a stop payment of the original check and remitted the tax due plus the late fee, for a total of \$3,547.68, on website Fort Bend County Tax Assessor and Collector for immediate processing. Please see the supportive documentation attached.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Whitson

Attachments: 1/25/19 bank payment to Tax office, bank stop pay transaction, electronic payment to Tax Office and of 2018 Tax statement



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**Adv Relationship Banking - 8914: Account Activity Transaction Details**

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**Post date:** 01/25/2019

**Amount:** -3,315.59

**Type:** Bill pay

**Description:** Fort Bend I.S.D.-Tax Office Bill Payment

**Merchant name:** FORT BEND I.S.D.-TAX OFFICE

**Transaction category:** Finance: Taxes

02/20/2019 RETURNED BILL PAYMENT FROM Fort Bend  
I.S.D.-Tax Office ISSUE DATE 01-25-19

3,315.59

**Edit Description**

**Type:** Transfer  
**Description:** RETURNED BILL PAYMENT FROM Fort Bend I.S.D.-Tax Office  
ISSUE DATE 01-25-19  
**Merchant name:** FORT BEND I.S.D.-TAX OFFICE Edit  
**Transaction category:** Uncategorized: Pending Edit

Print transaction details

**Subject:** Your payment was submitted

**From:** Epaymentnotification@FortBend.PropertyTaxOffice.org  
(Epaymentnotification@FortBend.PropertyTaxOffice.org)

**To:** forlindaonly@yahoo.com;

**Date:** Thursday, February 21, 2019 6:24 AM

This email is for your records. Please do not reply directly to this system-generated email. Contact the Tax Office directly if you have any questions.



**Your payment was submitted to the tax office and will be submitted for approval to your financial institution. Please print this page for your records.**

**PROPERTY PAYMENT INFORMATION**

7515020010370907

**Tax Payment Amount:** \$3,547.68

WHITSON LINDA  
3135 STRATFORD BEND DR  
SUGAR LAND, TX 77498-7399

**PAYMENT INFORMATION**

**Reference ID:**

**Payment Method:** E-Check

**Payment Date:** February 21, 2019 06:24 AM

**Total Payment:** \$3,547.68

**BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION**

**Routing Number:**

**Account Number:**

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Name:** Linda Whitson  
**Street:** 3135 STRATFORD BEND DR  
**City:** SUGAR LAND  
**State:** TX  
**Zipcode:** 77498  
**E-Mail:**  
**Phone:**

DUPLICATE TAX RECEIPT



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

**Certified Owner:**

WHITSON LINDA  
3135 STRATFORD BEND DR  
SUGAR LAND, TX 77498-7399

**Legal Description:**

STRATFORD PARK VILLAGE TWO, BLOCK 1,  
LOT 37

Parcel Address: 3135 STRATFORD BEND DR  
Legal Acres: 0.0000

Remit Seq No: 40815847  
Receipt Date: 02/21/2019  
Deposit Date: 02/25/2019  
Print Date: 03/04/2019 04:36 PM  
Printed By: LORIMA

Deposit No: EK190225  
Validation No: 5  
Account No: 7515-02-001-0370-907  
Operator Code: VEGA

Year	Tax Unit Name	Rec Type	Tax Value	Tax Rate	Levy Paid	P&I	Coll Fee Paid	Total
2018	Fort Bend Isd	TL	181,860	1.320000	2,400.55	168.04	0.00	2,568.59
2018	Fort Bend Escd #5	TL	186,174	0.079056	147.18	10.30	0.00	157.48
2018	Fort Bend Co Drainage	TL	165,488	0.019000	31.44	2.20	0.00	33.64
2018	Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd	TL	165,488	0.445000	736.42	51.55	0.00	787.97
					\$3,315.59	\$232.09	\$0.00	\$3,547.68

**Check Number(s):**

Credit Card Authorization No: 0

**Exemptions on this property:**

HOMESTEAD

**PAYMENT TYPE:**

Credit Cards: \$3,547.68

Total Applied: \$3,547.68

Change Paid: \$0.00

**PAYER:**

LINDA WHITSON  
3135 STRATFORD BEND DR  
SUGAR LAND, TX 77498

ACCOUNT PAID IN FULL

REPRODUCED FROM THE  
RECORDS OF THE  
TEXAS STATE ARCHIVES

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# FORT BEND COUNTY

## General Land Office

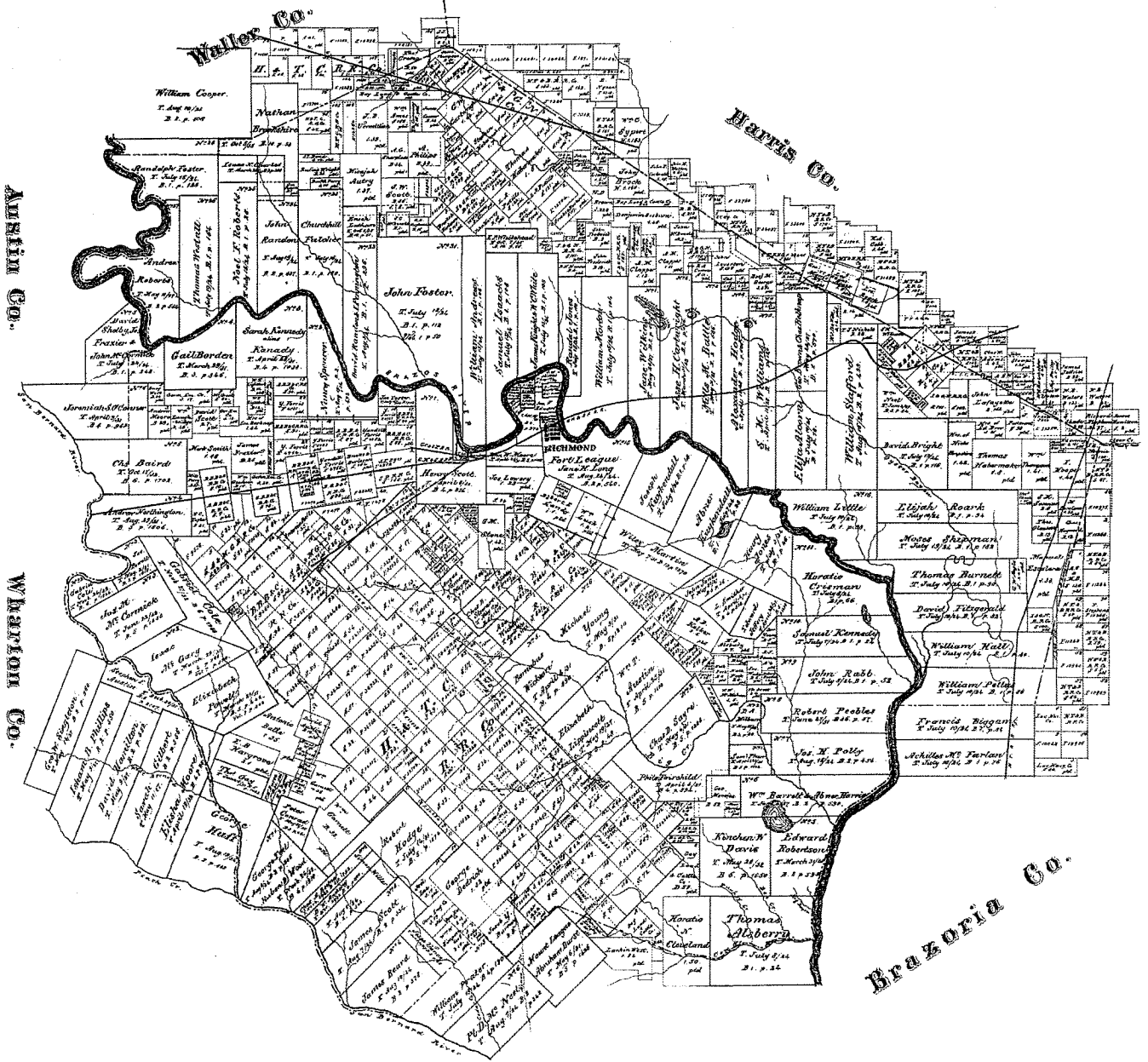
March 1895

Scale: 4000 Feet to the Inch

DECEMBER 1892  
W. L. McCaughy  
Commissioner of the  
General Land Office  
State of Texas  
For Sale at State Land Office  
Austin, Texas  
Price 50¢

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Commissioner



Austin Co.

Wharton Co.

Waller Co.

Harris Co.

Brazoria Co.