



COUNTY JUDGE

Fort Bend County, Texas

The Honorable KP George
County Judge

(281) 341-8608
Fax (832) 471-1858

June 9, 2020

Rene and Catrin Bleckwehl
27011 Lindenwood Creek Lane
Katy, Texas 77494

Reference: Request to Waive Penalty, Interest and Collection Fees on Property Taxes

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bleckwehl:

The County has received your request to waive penalty and interest on Fort Bend County property taxes as detailed below:

- **Property Tax Account:** **8127-10-001-0260-914**
- **Total Amount of Penalties Assessed:** **\$636.46 for Tax Year 2019**

Fort Bend County is also authorized to act on behalf of Katy Independent School District and Fort Bend ESD No. 2.

The Office of Tax Assessor/Collector has conducted research on your account; please review the copy of this research which is enclosed with this letter. The request and the research will be included as back-up documentation when the request is placed on the Commissioners Court agenda for consideration. The date for proposed action is:

- **Commissioners Court Date:** **Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.**
- **Location:** **401 Jackson Street, Richmond, Texas**

You are not required to appear in order for the Court to consider your request. Action by the Court is guided by the Texas Tax Code, specifically Chapter 33. If you have additional information regarding your request or if you wish to discuss this matter, please contact your Commissioner:

- **Commissioner Andy Meyers, Pct. 3** **Telephone (281) 238-1400 or**
Email:
Andy.Meyers@fortbendcountytexas.gov

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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

KP George
County Judge

Enclosure: Tax Office Research
Copy: Commissioner Andy Meyers, Precinct No. 3

COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR / COLLECTOR

Fort Bend County, Texas



Carrie Surratt, PCC, CTOP
County Tax Assessor/Collector
1317 Eugene Heimann Circle
Richmond, TX 77469-3623

(281) 341-3710
Fax (832) 471-1836
Email: carrie.surratt@fortbendcountytexas.gov
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DATE: March 17, 2020

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 ^{19'}
Chief of Property Taxes

Re: Waiver of Penalty and Interest— Rene and Catrin Bleckwehl: Account # 8127-10-001-0260-914, 2019 Tax Year; Legal Description: Silver Ranch, Sec 10, Block 1, Lot 26; Mailing Address: 27011 Lindenwood Creek Lane, Katy, TX 77494-7422.

Precinct 3

Rene and Catrin Bleckwehl, are requesting a waiver of penalty and interest for the 2019 tax year stating they did not receive the invoice for the property/school taxes and were unaware that they could find this information online.

Tax Office records and research indicate:

- November 27, 2018 – Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien # 2018130883 Grantees (Rene Bleckwehl and Catrin Bleckwehl) mailing address 27011 Lindenwood Creek Ln, Katy, TX 77494.
- November 20, 2019 – 2019 Certified Owner Statement was mailed to: Rene and Catrin Bleckwehl, 27011 Lindenwood Creek Lane, Katy, TX 77494-7422. **This statement was not returned by the Post Office.**
- February 19, 2020—Received 2019 tax payment from Rene Bleckwehl in the amount of \$9,728.74 including February penalty and interest, which paid the account in full.

- February 24, 2020 – 2019 Reminder Notice was mailed to: Rene and Catrin Bleckwehl, 27011 Lindenwood Creek Lane, Katy, TX 77494-7422. **This statement was not returned by the Post Office.**
- February 28, 2020 – County Judge received emailed request for waiver of penalty and interest for the 2019 Property Taxes.
- There is no evidence of an error by the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District or the Fort Bend County Tax Office.
- Katy ISD and Fort Bend ESD #2 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 Texas Property Tax Code.

Summary of Taxes Paid:

Account 8127-10-001-0260-914:

2019 Tax Year

Tax Unit	Base	Penalty & Interest	Total Waiver Request
Katy ISD	\$6,550.38	\$458.53	\$458.53
Fort Bend ESD #2	\$453.91	\$31.77	\$31.77
FBC	\$2,087.99	\$146.16	\$146.16
Total	\$9,092.28	\$636.46	\$636.46

Total Penalty and Interest: \$636.46

I **do not** recommend waiver of penalty and interest for **2019** Tax Year.

- **Taxpayer has not provided sufficient evidence showing that there was an error made by the Fort Bend County Tax Office or the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District.**
- Per Property Tax Code Section 33.011 (a)(1): The governing body of a taxing unit:
 - (1) 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 and if the tax is not later than the 21st day after the date the taxpayer knows or should know of the delinquency.

- Per Property Tax Code Section 33.011 (j)(1-2): 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:
 - (1) the United States Postal Service for delivery by mail, but an act or omission of the postal service resulted in the taxpayer's payment being postmarked after the delinquency date; or
 - (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.

- **There is no evidence to cause the Tax Office to recommend waiver of penalty and interest. This waiver is not statutorily allowed because of the taxpayer's failure to comply with the requirements of Texas Tax Code Section 33.011.**

February 19th, 2020

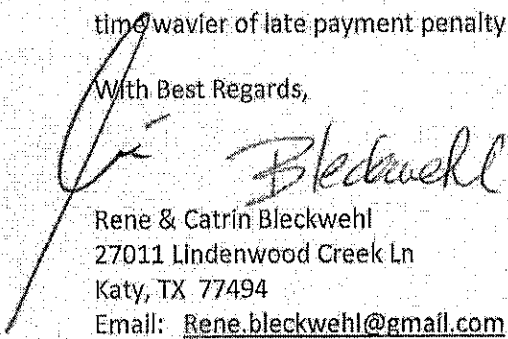
Carrie Surratt, PCC, CTOP
Tax Assessor – Collector
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Richmond, TX 77469-3623

To Whom It May Concern:

REF: Property Account Number: R444101
Legal Description: Silver Ranch, Sec. 10, Block 1, Lot 26

We purchased our first home on November 26th, 2018 after moving to Houston from Germany. When we purchased our home the 2018 taxes were paid at closing and we did not receive any tax papers. In November of 2019 we received the Invoice for the Mud taxes; however, we did not receive the invoice for the Property / School taxes. As new homeowners in the U.S.A. we were not aware that we could find this information online. We only found out after our family friend told us where to find out how much property taxes were due and how to pay them. We paid these taxes immediately on February 19th the day we found out how much was due. In addition, we were told by our family friend to do the homestead exemption as we were unaware of this as well. We would like to ask if you could do a one-time waiver of late payment penalty of our property taxes from 2019 in the amount of \$ 636.46.

With Best Regards,



Rene & Catrin Bleckwehl
27011 Lindenwood Creek Ln
Katy, TX 77494
Email: Rene.bleckwehl@gmail.com / catrin.bleckwehl@gmail.com
Tel: 713-376-6232 / 713-873-1790

DUPLICATE TAX RECEIPT



CARRIE SURRETT, PCC, CTOP
FORT BEND COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/ COLLECTOR
1317 EUGENE HEIMANN CIRCLE
RICHMOND, TEXAS 77469-3623

Certified Owner:

BLECKWEHL RENE & CATRIN
27011 LINDENWOOD CREEK LN
KATY, TX 77494-7422

Legal Description:

SILVER RANCH SEC 10, BLOCK 1, LOT 26

Parcel Address: 27011 LINDENWOOD CREEK LN
Legal Acres: 0.0000

Remit Seq No: 43783210
Receipt Date: 02/19/2020
Deposit Date: 02/24/2020
Print Date: 03/04/2020 10:25 AM
Printed By: YVONNEA

Deposit No: CC200224
Validation No: 10
Account No: 8127-10-001-0260-914
Operator Code: VEGA

Table with 9 columns: Year, Tax Unit Name, Rec Type, Tax Value, Tax Rate, Levy Paid, P&I, Coll Fee Paid, Total. Rows include 2019 taxes for Katy Isd, Fort Bend Esd#2, Fort Bend Co Drainage, and Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd.

Check Number(s):

Credit Card Authorization No: 0

Exemptions on this property:

PAYMENT TYPE:

Credit Cards: \$9,728.74

Total Applied: \$9,728.74

Change Paid: \$0.00

Account No: 8127-10-001-0260-914
PAYER:
RENE BLECKWEHL
27011 LINDENWOOD CREEK LANE
KATY, TX 77494

ACCOUNT PAID IN FULL