



COUNTY JUDGE

Fort Bend County, Texas

The Honorable KP George
County Judge

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

June 9, 2020

James W. Amos
4422 Weston Dr.
Fulshear, Texas 77441

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

Dear Mr. Amos:

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

- **Property Tax Account:** **9410-07-017-0090-901**
- **Total Amount of Penalties Assessed:** **\$413.90 for Tax Year 2019**

Fort Bend County is also authorized to act on behalf of Lamar Independent School District and Fort Bend ESD No. 4.

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,

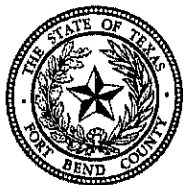
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KP George", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

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

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DATE: April 24, 2020
TO: County Judge KP George
Commissioner Vincent Morales
Commissioner Grady Prestage
Commissioner Andy Meyers
Commissioner Ken R. DeMerchant
Roy Cordes, County Attorney

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

Re: Waiver of Penalty and Interest – James W Amos: Account # 9410-07-017-0090-901; 2019 Tax Year; Legal Description: Weston Lakes Sec 7, Block 17, Lot 9; Mailing Address: 4422 Weston Dr., Fulshear, TX, 77441-4251.

Precinct 3

James W Amos, is requesting waiver of penalty and interest for the 2019 tax year stating they paid off their Mortgage in September of 2019 and did not receive their tax statement.

Tax Office records and research indicate:

- September 04, 2019 – 2019 Tax Statement was requested and sent electronically to Central Loan Administration.
- February 24, 2020 – 2019 Reminder Notice was mailed to James W Amos, 4422 Weston Dr., Fulshear, TX, 77441-4251. -- **This statement was not returned by the Post Office.**
- February 10, 2020 – Received call from James W Amos stating he never received his statement and has paid off his mortgage. The clerk advised him to send a letter stating his mortgage is paid off and would like to receive all future statements.
- February 24, 2020 – Received payment from Kimberly Amos in the amount of \$6,326.88, including February penalty and interest.

- March 21, 2020 – County Judge received emailed request for waiver of penalty and interest for the 2019 Property Taxes.
- Lamar CISD and Fort Bend ESD #4 have authorized Fort Bend County Tax Office to handle the processing of the waiver of penalty and interest and allow the Fort Bend County Commissioner’s Court to make the determination based on Section 33.011 of the Texas Property Tax Code.

Summary of Taxes Paid:

Account 9410-07-017-0090-901:

2019 Tax Year

Tax Unit	Base	Penalty & Interest	Total Waiver Request
Lamar CISD	\$4,278.91	\$299.52	\$299.52
Fort Bend ESD #4	\$349.16	\$24.44	\$24.44
FBC	\$1,284.91	\$89.94	\$89.94
Total	\$5,912.98	\$413.90	\$413.90

Total Penalty and Interest: \$413.90

I do recommend waiver of penalty and interest for 2019 Tax Year.

- **Taxpayer has provided sufficient evidence to support their mortgage was paid off.**
- Per Property Tax Code Section 33.011 (k)(2): The governing body of a taxing unit may waive penalties and interest on a delinquent tax if:
 - (1) the property for which the tax is owed is subject to a mortgage that does not require the owner of the property to fund an escrow account for the payment of the taxes on the property;
 - (2) the tax bill was mailed or delivered by electronic means to the mortgagee of the property, but the mortgagee failed to mail a copy of the bill to the owner of the property as required by **Section 31.01(j)**; and
 - (3) the taxpayer paid the tax not later than the 21st day after the date the taxpayer knew or should have known of the delinquency.
- **There is evidence to cause the Tax Office to recommend waiver of penalty and interest.**

To Officials of Fort Bend County,

I am asking for a refund of \$413.90 of penalties for paying late on the 2019 bill due January 31, 2020. I paid the total bill including the late fees in February.

Enclosed is the Request for Waiver form and a letter from the mortgage company indicating my mortgage was paid off in early September 2019.

Please indulge me to provide a little additional information. After my mortgage was paid, I called the County to have my tax bill sent to my home. However, per the gentleman I spoke to in February, CENLAR requested the tax bill in October and thus the only copy went to them. This is not the first CENLAR error so I am not shocked. When all is said and done, I am responsible to pay the taxes and pay them on time so I apologize for being late. \$413 though seems excessive given the circumstances. Thanks for your consideration,

James W. Amos

4422 Weston Drive

Weston Lakes, TX 77441

734.365.2474

DUPLICATE TAX RECEIPT



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

Certified Owner:

AMOS JAMES W.
4422 WESTON DR
FULSHEAR, TX 77441-4251

Legal Description:

WESTON LAKES SEC 7, BLOCK 17, LOT 9

Parcel Address: 4422 WESTON DR
Legal Acres: 0.0000

Remit Seq No: 43833970
Receipt Date: 02/26/2020
Deposit Date: 02/28/2020
Print Date: 04/17/2020 08:25 AM
Printed By: AREYES

Deposit No: EK200228
Validation No: 69
Account No: 9410-07-017-0090-901
Operator Code: VEGA

Table with 8 columns: Year, Tax Unit Name, Rec Type, Tax Value, Tax Rate, Levy Paid, P&I, Coll Fee Paid, Total. Rows include Lamar C I S D- Operating Fund, Fort Bend Esd#4, Fort Bend Co Drainage, Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd, and a total row.

Check Number(s):

Credit Card Authorization No: 0

Exemptions on this property:

HOMESTEAD

PAYMENT TYPE:

Credit Cards: \$6,326.88

Total Applied: \$6,326.88

Change Paid: \$0.00

Account No: 9410-07-017-0090-901

PAYER:

KIMBERLEY AMOS
4422 WESTON DRIVE
WESTON LAKES, TX 77441

ACCOUNT PAID IN FULL