

FORT BEND COUNTY FY 2010
COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA REQUEST FORM
RETURN TO: AGENDA COORD-COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

DATE SUBMITTED: March 23, 2010

SUBMITTED BY: Patsy Schultz

DEPARTMENT: Tax Assessor /Collector

AGENDA DATE: April 6, 2010

PHONE NO.: 281-341-3735

SUMMARY OF ITEM: Waiver of Penalty & Interest & Attorney Fees; Karen Jean Sawyer; Account: # 3770-01-004-0640-907; Tax Year 2009; Precinct # 4

RENEWAL CONTRACT/AGREEMENT: Yes () No ()

REVIEWED BY COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE YES () NO ()

LIST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ATTACHED: 1. Request for Waiver
2. Recommendation from the Tax Collector
3. Tax Receipt

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

BUDGETED ITEM: YES ☐ NO ☐

FUNDING SOURCE: FUND: _____ AGENCY _____ ORGANIZATION: _____ OBJECT: _____

REQUIRES AUDITOR TO CERTIFY FUNDS: YES ☐ NO ☐

Original Form Submitted with back up to County Judge's Office: Yes (x)

If by E-Mail to ospindon@co.fort-bend.tx.us

If by Fax to 281-341-8609

Distribute copies with back-up to all listed below. If by Fax, send to numbers below

yes (x) Auditor	(281-341-3774)	yes (x) Comm. Pct. 1	(281-342-0587)
yes (x) Budget Officer	(281-344-3954)	yes (x) Comm. Pct. 2	(281-403-8009)
yes (x) County Attorney	(281-341-4557)	yes (x) Comm. Pct. 3	(281-242-9060)
yes () Purchasing Agent	(281-341-8642)	yes (x) Comm. Pct. 4	(281-980-9077)
yes (x) County Clerk	(281-341-8697)	yes () Facilities/Planning	(281-633-7022)

Instructions for submitting an Agenda Request:

1. Completely fill out agenda form, incomplete forms will not be processed.
2. Fax or inter-office copies of agenda form with all back up information by Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. to the departments listed above.
3. All original back-up must be received in the County Judges Office by 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

Tax Assessor Collector Patsy Schultz

I do not recommend waiver of penalty and interest & Attorney Fees



COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR / COLLECTOR

Fort Bend County, Texas

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DATE: March 19, 2010

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 – Sawyer, Karen Jean:
Acct#3770-01-004-0640-907
2009 Tax Year; Legal Description: The Highlands Sec 1, Block 4, Lot 64
Precinct 4

Ms. Sawyer is requesting waiver of penalty and interest on the above referenced account for the 2009 tax year because she did not receive her 2009 tax statement.

Tax Office records indicate:

- Original deed #2000102618 was recorded on November 28, 2000, with the owner listed as Karen Jean Sawyer, 1915 Iron Ridge, Sugar Land, TX 77478.
- 2009 Original tax statement was electronically requested by mortgage company: Chase Home Finance LLC through First American Real Estate Tax Services.
- March 8, 2010—Tax Clerk gave taxpayer March 2010 payoff amount. She also informed her to write letter stating she no longer has a mortgage company paying her taxes.
- March 10, 2010—Tax Clerk posted payment sent by taxpayer. Payment was short due to check being miswritten. Short notice was mailed requesting additional \$900.00 by March 24, 2010.
- March 16, 2010—Tax Clerk posted additional \$900.00 requested in short notice.
- There is no evidence of an error by the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District or the Fort Bend County Tax Office.

Breakdown of Taxes Paid:

2009 Tax Year	Fort Bend ISD	City Sugar Land	FBC	Total
Base Tax	\$ 1,685.28	\$ 402.15	\$ 576.28	\$ 2,663.71
Penalty & Interest	151.68	36.19	51.86	239.73
Total	\$ 1,836.96	\$ 438.34	\$ 628.14	\$ 2,903.44

Total Penalty and Interest and Attorney Fees: \$239.73

I **do not** recommend waiver of penalty and interest. 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...”

March 8, 2010

Patsy Schultz, RTA, Tax Assessor-Collector
Fort Bend County Tax Office
1317 Eugene Heimann Circle
Richmond, TX 77469

Dear Ms Schultz:

RE: Account # 3770 01 004 0640 907

Enclosed is my check # 5952 for \$2903.44 in payment of 2009 Property Taxes. I paid off my home in November 2009. I never received an invoice from Ft Bend County for these property taxes. I called the Tax Assessor's office today to ensure that the taxes were paid and your records were accurate. I was advised that the taxes had not been paid and the above amount included a penalty of \$239.73.

The lady that assisted me this morning indicated that no invoice was sent to me. The paperwork was evidently sent to Chase Mortgage. If I had not called, I would not have known that this was due.

I am sorry that it is late; however, in view of these circumstances, it is wrong to charge any penalty. Will you kindly refund this to me immediately? Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Sawyer", with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Karen Jean Sawyer
1915 Iron Ridge
Sugar Land, TX 77478

DUPLICATE TAX RECEIPT



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

Certified Owner:

**SAWYER, KAREN JEAN
1915 IRON RDG
SUGAR LAND , TX 77478-4116**

Legal Description:

THE HIGHLANDS SEC 1, BLOCK 4, LOT 64

Parcel Address: 1915 IRON RDG
Legal Acres: 0.0000

Remit Seq No: 16091722

Receipt Date: 03/08/2010
Deposit Date: 03/16/2010
Print Date: 03/17/2010

Deposit No: O100316P1
Validation No: 900000019300453
Account No: **3770-01-004-0640-907**
Operator Code: JESSICAB

Year	Tax Unit Name	Tax Value	Tax Rate	Levy Paid	P&I	Atty Paid	Total
2009	Fort Bend Isd	129,140	1.305000	522.40	47.02	0.00	569.42
2009	City Of Sugar Land	134,050	0.300000	124.66	11.22	0.00	135.88
2009	Fort Bend Co Drainage	115,312	0.020760	7.42	0.67	0.00	8.09
2009	Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd	115,312	0.479000	171.20	15.41	0.00	186.61
				\$825.68	\$74.32	\$0.00	\$900.00

Check Number(s):
5954

PAYMENT TYPE:

Checks: \$900.00

Exemptions on this property:

HOMESTEAD

Total Applied: \$900.00

Change Paid: \$0.00

ACCOUNT PAID IN FULL

PAYER:

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Legal Description:

THE HIGHLANDS SEC 1, BLOCK 4, LOT 64

Parcel Address: 1915 IRON RDG
Legal Acres: 0.0000

Remit Seq No: 16075494
Receipt Date: 03/08/2010
Deposit Date: 03/10/2010
Print Date: 03/15/2010

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Deposit No: O100310AB1
Validation No: 9000000019273238

Account No: 3770-01-004-0640-907
Operator Code: ARLACHA

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Year	Tax Unit Name	Tax Value	Tax Rate	Levy Paid	P&I	Atty Paid	Total
2009	Fort Bend Isd	129,140	1.305000	1,162.88	104.66	0.00	1,267.54
2009	City Of Sugar Land	134,050	0.300000	277.49	24.97	0.00	302.46
2009	Fort Bend Co Drainage	115,312	0.020760	16.52	1.48	0.00	18.00
2009	Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd	115,312	0.479000	381.14	34.30	0.00	415.44
				\$1,838.03	\$165.41	\$0.00	\$2,003.44

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Check Number(s):
5952

PAYMENT TYPE: PARTIAL PAYMENT

Checks: \$2,003.44

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Exemptions on this property:

HOMESTEAD

Total Applied: \$2,003.44

Change Paid: \$0.00

REMAINING BALANCE

PAYER:

SAWYER KAREN JEAN
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SUGAR LAND, TX 77478-4116

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