

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

DATE SUBMITTED: April 7, 2010

SUBMITTED BY: Patsy Schultz

DEPARTMENT: Tax Assessor /Collector

AGENDA DATE: April 13, 2010

PHONE NO.: 281-341-3735

SUMMARY OF ITEM: Waiver of Penalty & Interest & Attorney Fees; Dong Yang; Account: # 2705-03-003-0140-907; 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 recommend waiver of penalty and interest & Attorney Fees



COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR / COLLECTOR

Fort Bend County, Texas

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DATE: April 7, 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
Tax Division Supervisor

RE: Waiver of Penalty and Interest –Yang, Dong & Yading Zhou: Acct#2705-03-003-0140-907
2009 Tax Year; Legal Description: Creekshire Sec 3, Block 3, Lot 14 (Less E .6')
Precinct 4 T.S.

Mr. Yang is requesting waiver of penalty and interest on the above referenced account for the 2009 tax year because he states that he did not receive his tax statement.

Tax Office records indicate:

- Original deed #2009101855 was recorded on September 28, 2009 with the owner listed as Dong Yang & Yading Zhou, 3535 Woodmere Lane, Sugar Land, TX 77478.
- November 5, 2009--2009 October Name change added Yang Dong & Yading Zhou, 3535 Woodmere Ln, Sugar Land, TX 77478-5842.
- 2009 Original Statement was requested by Wells Fargo Mortgage Company by electronic request.
- Mr. Yang stated in his letter that he received one statement from First Colony LID, which he paid in January 2010. He also stated that he knew his estimated amount of property taxes would be around \$3000.00. He stated he did online research and found the following taxing entities for his property as: Fort Bend ISD, City of Sugar Land, Fort Bend County General Fund, First Colony LID and Fort Bend County Drainage District. He stated he called FBISD and he was told they did not collect the taxes anymore. He stated he attended a homebuyer work shop at work in February 2010 and he indicated he ask about this and was told to call the County Tax Office. Mr. Yang called the Fort Bend County Tax Office on February 16, 2010 and a tax clerk informed him of the delinquent taxes due and sent him a statement.
- There is evidence of an error during data transfer in the tax office.
- Fort Bend ISD & City of Sugar Land has 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 33.011 of the State Property Tax Code.

Breakdown of Taxes Paid:

2008 Tax Year	FBISD	FBC	City of SL	Total
Base Tax	\$1,866.28	\$ 631.73	\$ 440.85	\$ 2,938.86
Penalty & Interest	130.64	44.22	30.86	205.72
Total	\$1,996.92	\$ 675.95	\$ 471.71	\$ 3,144.58

Total Penalty & Interest: \$205.72

I do 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..."

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Request to Waive the Property Tax Penalty on 3535 Woodmere Lane, Sugar Land

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Dong Yang; I bought a house (3535 Woodmere Lane, Sugar Land, TX, 77478) at the end of Sep. 2009. I just paid my property tax in full (including a penalty of \$205.72). I wondered if you can help to waive the penalty for the following reasons:

1. I received only 1 bill from FIRST COLONY LID, which I paid in full in Jan, 2010. The Fort Bend Tax office sent the rest of the property tax bills to Wells Fargo instead of sending them to me.
2. I am a first time house owner; my wife recently got pregnant, neither of us has much knowledge about how property tax works.
3. I do know the estimated amount of my property tax should be around \$3000.00 something yearly, and the bill I received from FIRST COLONY LID is \$307, which I figured may be is a monthly bill. I paid the \$307 but I didn't get any other bills by the end of Jan, 2010. So I did some online research, seems the property tax details from previous owner of the house in year 2008 were shown as:

FORT BEND ISD 1.2500
FORT BEND CO GNRL FND 0.4987
CITY OF SUGAR LAND 0.3000
FIRST COLONY LID 0.1946
FORT BEND CO DRAINAGE 0.0180

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I really have no idea what these are for, so I googled the major item "FORT BEND ISD ", and I got the website of Ford Bend Independent District. I called them and was told they don't handle property tax any more. This really confused me what to do next.

4. In Feb, 2010, I attended a homebuyer work shop at work. I asked my question to the presenter, she suggested me to call Fort Bend County.
5. I called Fort Bend County and was told the property tax bills were sent to Wells Fargo instead of me in December 2009. So they sent me the bills few days later along with this penalty waiver request instruction. I paid the tax with the penalty right away. That is how I end up here requesting your help.

I understand the situation I presented to you sound a little complicated, I really appreciate your time and efforts in helping me out.

The best regards,
Dong

Account number: 2705-03-003-0140-907

Phone number: 404-216-3354 (cell) 281-285-7307 (Office)

Current Address: 3535 Woodmere Lane, Sugar Land, TX, 77478

Legal Description: Creekshire SEC 3, Block 3, Lot 14 (less E. 6')

DUPLICATE TAX RECEIPT



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

Certified Owner:

**YANG DONG & YADING ZHOU
3535 WOODMERE LN
SUGAR LAND, TX 77478-5242**

Legal Description:

CREEKSHIRE SEC 3, BLOCK 3, LOT 14 (LESS
E .6')

Parcel Address: 3535 WOODMERE LN
Legal Acres: 0.0000

Remit Seq No: 16004485
Receipt Date: 02/24/2010
Deposit Date: 02/25/2010
Print Date: 02/26/2010

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Deposit No: L100224
Validation No: 16

Account No: 2705-03-003-0140-907

Operator Code: KUCE

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Year	Tax Unit Name	Tax Value	Tax Rate	Levy Paid	P&I	Atty Paid	Total
2009	Fort Bend Isd	143,010	1.305000	1,866.28	130.64	0.00	1,996.92
2009	City Of Sugar Land	146,949	0.300000	440.85	30.86	0.00	471.71
2009	Fort Bend Co Drainage	126,408	0.020760	26.24	1.84	0.00	28.08
2009	Fort Bend Co Gen Fnd	126,408	0.479000	605.49	42.38	0.00	647.87
				\$2,938.86	\$205.72	\$0.00	\$3,144.58

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Check Number(s):
000971

Credit Card Authorization No: 0

Exemptions on this property:

HOMESTEAD

PAYMENT TYPE:

Checks: \$3,144.58

Total Applied: \$3,144.58

Change Paid: \$0.00

ACCOUNT PAID IN FULL

PAYER:

**DONG YANG
1185 COLLIER ROAD NW 10A
ATLANTA, GA 30318**

(281) 341-3710