

2021-08-30

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Tax Department
Rocky View County

By Email

Dear Tax Department

Re: Overdue Tax Penalty
Tax Roll: 04713056

I am requesting that Council forgive the penalty on what inadvertently became a late payment of my property taxes owing. I made a bank transfer of the funds to cover them on the evening of June 30 thinking I would meet the deadline for payment. Unfortunately I did so before midnight but after 10 PM Mountain Time, only to find that the bank's cutoff for the transfer is based on Eastern Time, not Mountain. I had thought that the transfer would go through on the 30th and would meet the deadline much the same as a letter being postmarked before midnight would do. The result, however and much to my chagrin, was that when making the payment I got the message that the transfer would only go through on the next business day, or July 2nd. The result is that I am being penalised because of eastern banking procedures and my inadvertent failure to meet them.

It should be noted that the funds were in fact deposited in the Rocky View account on July 2nd. Compared to a cheque mailed on June 30 thus meeting the deadline criterion, this deposit was actually in the account several days earlier considering mail delivery and administrative processing requirements. I have paid the penalty not waiting till the end of the year hoping that Council will consider the circumstances.

Sincerely

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