## CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT:

**Tax Department** 

AGENDA DATE:

**February 9, 2015** 

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: David Childs, Ph.D.; Tax Assessor Collector, 212-1736

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All

#### **SUBJECT:**

Discussion and action on a Resolution that the City finds that TSI Title Company showed a good cause to extend the deadline to apply for a refund of the overpayment of the 2011 property taxes and the tax refund in the amount of \$834.10 is approved.

# BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

A citizen has applied for a tax refund due to overpayment on October 13, 2011. The Property Tax Code states that the Tax Collector may issue a refund "within 3 years of the date of the payment" but that "the governing body of the taxing unit may extend the deadline for a single period not to exceed 2 years on a showing of good cause by the taxpayer.

## PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

October 28, 2014

# AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

## BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION: Enter appropriate comments or N/A

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD:**

(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing, client department should sign also)

Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 31.11 (c) of the Texas Code an application for a refund must be made within three (3) years after the date of the payment or the taxpayer waives the right to the refund; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 31.11 (c-1) the governing body of the taxing unit may extend the deadline for a single period not to exceed two years on a showing of good cause by the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS, taxpayer, TSI TITLE COMPANY ("Taxpayer") has applied for a refund with the tax assessor of the 2011 property taxes that were overpaid on October 13, 2011 in the amount of \$834.10 for all taxing entities; and

WHEREAS, City Council may extend the deadline for the Taxpayer's application for the overpayment of the 2011 property taxes for a period not to exceed two years on a showing of good cause by the taxpayer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

**THAT** THE City finds that **TSI TITLE COMPANY** showed a good cause to extend the deadline to apply for a refund of the overpayment of the 2011 property taxes and the tax refund in the amount of \$834.10 is approved.

ADOPTED this	, 2015.
	CITY OF EL PASO
	Oscar Leeser
ATTEST:	Mayor
Richarda Duffy Momsen City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO CONTENT
Sol M. Cortez Assistant City Attorney	David Childs, Ph.D. City Tax Assessor/Collector

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TSI TITLE COMPANY OF TEXAS, INC

2745 WIND RIVER LANE DENTON, TX 76210

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#### EL PASO CONSOLIDATED TAX OFFICE

VICTOR A. FLORES
COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

Print Date: 08/11/2014

Account Number 17609-999-0080-0800

41224

Legal Description of the Property 8 FRANKLIN HILLS #3 (AMENDING) LOT 8 (10069.00 SQ FT)

6320 FRANKLIN VISTA DR

OWNER: HERNANDEZ RAMIRO

2011 OVERAGE AMOUNT \$834.10

1: CITY OF EL PASO, 3: EL PASO ISD, 6: COUNTY OF EL PASO, 7: EL PASO COMMUNITY COLLEGE, 8: UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER OF EL PASO

Dear Taxpayer:

Our records indicate that an overpayment exists on the property tax account listed above as of the date of this letter. If you paid the taxes on this account and believe you are entitled to a refund, please complete the application below, sign it, and return it to our office. If the taxes were paid by your mortgage/title company or any other party, you must obtain a written letter of release in order for the refund to be issued in your name. If you did not make the payment(s) on this account, please forward this letter to the person who paid these taxes. You may also request the transfer of this overpayment to other tax accounts and/or tax years in the space provided or by attaching an additional sheet if necessary. Your application for refund must be submitted within three years from the date of the overpayment, or you waive the right to the refund (Sec. 31.11c). Governing body approval is required for refunds in excess of \$2500.

#### APPLICATION FOR PROPERTY TAX REFUND Step 1. Identify the refund recipient. Show information for whomever will be receiving Address: the refund. City, State, Zip: Daytime Phone No .: E-Mail Address: Step 2. Provide payment information. Please attach copies of cancelled checks or original receipts for all cash payments you made. TOTAL AMOUNT PAID (sum of the above amounts) e check one of the following: Step 3. Provide reason for this refund. I paid this account in error and I am entitled to the refund Please list any accounts and/or I overpaid this account. Please refund the excess to the address listed in Step 1. years that you intended to pay with this overage. This payment should have been applied to other tax account(s) and/or year(s) (listed below): By signing below, I hereby apply for the refund of the above-described taxes and certify that the information I Step 4. Sign the form. have given on this form is true and correct. ( If you make a false statement on this application, you could be found Unsigned applications cannot guilty of a Class A misdemeanor or a state jail felony under the Texas Penal Code, Sec. 37.10.) be processed. SIGNATURE OF REQUESTOR (REQUIRED) Approved TAX OFFICE USE ONLY: By: Date: Denied This application must be completed, signed, and submitted with supporting documentation to



### INTERNAL AUDIT OFFICE

Mayor Oscar Leeser DATE:

January 15, 2015

TO:

David W. Childs, Ph.D., Tax Assessor and Collector

FROM:

Edmundo S. Calderon, CIA, CGAP, CRMA, Chief Internal Auditor

City Council

SUBJECT:

Review of Tax Refunds Overpayments that Exceed Three Years

District 1 Ann Morgan Lilly

At the request of the Consolidated Tax Office the following overpayment that exceeds the three year period for refund was reviewed:

District 2 Larry Romero

TSI Company of Texas \$834.10

District 3 Emma Acosta The Internal Audit Office reviewed the refund application, copies of cancelled checks or proof of payments.

District 4 Carl L. Robinson Based on our review, this tax refund was determined to be appropriate to be sent to City Council for approval pursuant to Section 31.11 (c-1) of the Texas Code.

District 5 Dr. Michiel R. Noe

District 6

Claudia Ordaz

District 7 Lily Limón

District 8 Cortney C. Niland cc: Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager

Mark Sutter, Interim Chief Financial Officer

City Manager

Tommy Gonzalez

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