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Property owners urged to contact County Treasurer if they receive letters from company offering to pay their “delinquent property taxes”

Arapahoe County Treasurer Bernie Ciazza is urging homeowners who receive letters from a California company offering to pay cash for their property and to pay their reportedly delinquent taxes to contact the Treasurer’s Office.

During the last two weeks, the Treasurer’s Office has received 80-100 calls from concerned property owners who received letters stating that their property is “severely delinquent and is now liened for non-payment of property taxes.”

The letter states, “If the Tax Collector sells your property at public auction or if the lien holder chooses to foreclose when your parcel becomes too delinquent, you could no longer own the property.” The letter goes on to offer “to pay cash for the property and pay all delinquent taxes, interest, penalties and fees before the property is lost.”

“If you or your neighbors receive a letter from anyone telling you that your taxes are delinquent and you are not sure, please check with the County Treasurer before responding,” Ciazza said. “So far, the people who have received these letters and contacted our office have not had delinquent taxes.”

Citizens also are urged to contact the Better Business Bureau, Attorney General’s Office and District Attorney’s Office.

For more information or to check on the status of your property taxes, contact the Treasurer’s Office at 303-795-4550 or by e-mail at treasurer@co.arapahoe.co.us.
