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Re: Request for guidance on USPS ZIP Codes and potential application

Manager Romero:

Please accept this letter requesting guidance from your office about the best possible approach to modifying ZIP Codes boundaries throughout Storey County, Nevada, or potential addressing issues in the county which are directly or indirectly associated with ZIP Code applications. This is not a request to begin the application process to amend or add ZIP Codes in the county.

In 2018 the United States Postal Service granted Storey County a unique 89437 ZIP Code applicable to McCarran and the Tahoe-Reno Industrial Center.

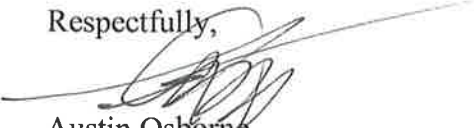
Sales tax reports and other documentary evidence suggests that the 89437 ZIP Code immediately improved sales tax rate and reporting for e-commerce and other business activity in the McCarran region of Storey County. Reduced errors in 911 emergency services dispatching, proper geographic application of commercial insurance rates and vehicle emissions regulations, and other positive impacts appear to have also resulted from the application of 89437 ZIP Code to the McCarran area.

Businesses and residents in other areas of the county sharing Washoe County ZIP Codes experience similar issues as those evident in McCarran prior to the 89437 ZIP-Code application. Applying "ZIP-plus-4" suffix to online sales may remedy certain sales tax rate errors; however, this method does not resolve other issues identified above. The county is exploring means, including potential new or amended ZIP Code boundaries, as well as non-ZIP Code related resolutions, by which these issues may be addressed.

For these reasons, we respectfully request to meet with your office to seek guidance on potential approaches that may resolve these issues experienced by Storey County and its residents and businesses.

We thank you for your consideration in this matter and welcome a conversation with you at your nearest convenience.

Respectfully,

  
Austin Osborne  
Storey County Manager

C.c.: Storey County Commissioners  
Storey County District Attorney's Office