

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0201614 - TEASPOON		Site Address 4546 EL CAMINO REAL A11, LOS ALTOS, CA 94022		Inspection Date 01/07/2026		Placard Color & Score GREEN 88		
Program PR0305477 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 1 - FP09			Owner Name LAI, AMY		Inspection Time 13:15 - 14:14			
Inspected By DENNIS LY		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By NOAH				FSC

RISK FACTORS AND INTERVENTIONS		IN	OUT		COS/SA	N/O	N/A	PBI
			Major	Minor				
K01	Demonstration of knowledge; food safety certification	X						
K02	Communicable disease; reporting/restriction/exclusion	X						
K03	No discharge from eyes, nose, mouth	X						
K04	Proper eating, tasting, drinking, tobacco use	X						
K05	Hands clean, properly washed; gloves used properly	X						S
K06	Adequate handwash facilities supplied, accessible	X						
K07	Proper hot and cold holding temperatures		X		X			
K08	Time as a public health control; procedures & records	X						S
K09	Proper cooling methods						X	
K10	Proper cooking time & temperatures						X	
K11	Proper reheating procedures for hot holding						X	
K12	Returned and reservice of food	X						
K13	Food in good condition, safe, unadulterated	X						
K14	Food contact surfaces clean, sanitized	X						N
K15	Food obtained from approved source	X						
K16	Compliance with shell stock tags, condition, display						X	
K17	Compliance with Gulf Oyster Regulations						X	
K18	Compliance with variance/ROP/HACCP Plan						X	
K19	Consumer advisory for raw or undercooked foods						X	
K20	Licensed health care facilities/schools: prohibited foods not being offered						X	
K21	Hot and cold water available	X						
K22	Sewage and wastewater properly disposed	X						
K23	No rodents, insects, birds, or animals	X						

GOOD RETAIL PRACTICES		OUT	COS
K24	Person in charge present and performing duties		
K25	Proper personal cleanliness and hair restraints		
K26	Approved thawing methods used; frozen food		
K27	Food separated and protected	X	
K28	Fruits and vegetables washed		
K29	Toxic substances properly identified, stored, used		
K30	Food storage: food storage containers identified		
K31	Consumer self service does prevent contamination		
K32	Food properly labeled and honestly presented		
K33	Nonfood contact surfaces clean		
K34	Warewash facilities: installed/maintained; test strips		
K35	Equipment, utensils: Approved, in good repair, adequate capacity		
K36	Equipment, utensils, linens: Proper storage and use		
K37	Vending machines		
K38	Adequate ventilation/lighting; designated areas, use		
K39	Thermometers provided, accurate		
K40	Wiping cloths: properly used, stored		
K41	Plumbing approved, installed, in good repair; proper backflow devices	X	
K42	Garbage & refuse properly disposed; facilities maintained		
K43	Toilet facilities: properly constructed, supplied, cleaned		
K44	Premises clean, in good repair; Personal/chemical storage; Adequate vermin-proofing		
K45	Floor, walls, ceilings: built, maintained, clean		
K46	No unapproved private home/living/sleeping quarters		
K47	Signs posted; last inspection report available		

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K48	Plan review		
K49	Permits available		
K58	Placard properly displayed/posted		

Comments and Observations

Major Violations

K07 - 8 Points - Improper hot and cold holding temperatures; 11387.1, 113996, 113998, 114037, 114343(a)

Inspector Observations: *Milk and half & half held on ice behind the front counter was improperly cold held and measured at 48-58F. [CA] Potentially hazardous foods when cold holding shall be held at or below 41F. [COS] Employee created a proper ice bath with additional ice and water to allow the food containers to be partially submerged. .*

Minor Violations

K27 - 2 Points - Food not separated and unprotected; 113984(a-d,f), 113986, 114060, 114067(a,d,e,j), 114069(a,b), 114077, 114089.1(c), 114143(c)

Inspector Observations: *Electric bug zapper is mounted above food preparation/storage area. [CA] Bug zapper shall be relocated so that food and food contact surfaces are protected from contamination.*

K41 - 2 Points - Plumbing unapproved, not installed, not in good repair; improper backflow devices; 114171, 114189.1, 114190, 114192, 114193, 114193.1, 114199, 114201, 114269

Inspector Observations: *Leak observed from pipes under the three compartment sink. [CA] Repair leak and maintain plumbing of the facility in good repair.*

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

Needs Improvement - Food contact surfaces clean, sanitized.

Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
Hot water	Handwash sink	100.00 Fahrenheit	
Half and half	On ice	58.00 Fahrenheit	
Whipped cream	2-door upright reach-in cooler	40.00 Fahrenheit	
Hot water	Three compartment sink	120.00 Fahrenheit	
Half and half	2-door upright reach-in cooler	40.00 Fahrenheit	
Quat sanitizer	Sanitizer bucket	200.00 PPM	
Quat sanitizer	Three compartment sink	200.00 PPM	
Foam	Food prep unit	38.00 Fahrenheit	
Milk	Upright reach-in cooler	41.00 Fahrenheit	
Milk	On ice	48.00 Fahrenheit	

Overall Comments:

OWNERSHIP CHANGE INFORMATION

NEW FACILITY NAME: Teaspoon

NEW OWNER: Teaspoon Los Altos LLC

The applicant has completed the facility evaluation application process for an Environmental Health Permit.

The permit category for this facility is FP09. An invoice for the permit fee in the amount of \$652.00 will be mailed to the billing address on the application. Payment must be submitted within 10 days of receipt of the invoice. The owner is responsible for contacting our department if an invoice is not received and remit payment within 30 days.

The Environmental Health Permit will be effective: 01/01/26 - 12/31/26 This report serves as a temporary permit. However, the permit will be deemed invalid if the permit fee is not paid in full within 30 days from the date of this report. Okay to Operate.

An official permit will be mailed to the address on file and shall be posted in public view upon receipt.

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***Structural Review inspection conducted on 01/07/26**

***Permit condition: Induction cook top is only approved for use to cook/reheat boba.**

***Obtain food safety manager certificate within 60 days. All other food employees must have valid food handler cards within 30 days from hire date.**

When required to determine compliance, a single reinspection will be conducted without additional charge. If subsequent reinspections are required, an hourly fee (minimum one hour) at the current rate approved by the Board of Supervisors will be assessed for each and every reinspection until the necessary changes or corrections are made. Unless otherwise noted by the inspector, all violations are to be corrected no later than **1/21/2026**. Any major change in menu or any change in ownership must have prior approval by this Department. This may require structural and/or equipment changes or remodeling to accommodate new operations.

Legend:

[CA]	Corrective Action
[COS]	Corrected on Site
[N]	Needs Improvement
[NA]	Not Applicable
[NO]	Not Observed
[PBI]	Performance-based Inspection
[PHF]	Potentially Hazardous Food
[PIC]	Person in Charge
[PPM]	Part per Million
[S]	Satisfactory
[SA]	Suitable Alternative
[TPHC]	Time as a Public Health Control



Received By: Jerry Luo
District Lead

Signed On: January 07, 2026