

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0250098 - LAS PALMUS MERCADO Y CARNICERIA-DELI		Site Address 1080 SARATOGA AV 15, SAN JOSE, CA 95129		Inspection Date 02/26/2025		Placard Color & Score GREEN 92		
Program PR0387406 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP11			Owner Name LOPEZ, MIGUEL		Inspection Time 12:50 - 14:30			
Inspected By HINA WYNE		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By ALEJANDRA				FSC ELIZABETH MARTINEZ 01/29/2027

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			N
K08	Time as a public health control; procedures & records						X	
K09	Proper cooling methods			X				N
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						
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		
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	X	
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		
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

No major violations were observed during this inspection.

Minor Violations

K07 - 3 Points - Improper hot and cold holding temperatures; 11387.1, 113996, 113998, 114037, 114343(a)

Inspector Observations: Carnitas was measured at 129F - 132F. Carnitas were cooked 5 hours ago and stored in a hot holding table.

[CA] PHFs shall be held at 41°F or below or at 135°F or above.

[COS] Per PIC, hot holding temperature for just that portion was on low and PIC brings the temperature on high.

K09 - 3 Points - Improper cooling methods; 114002, 114002.1

Inspector Observations: Beans were cooling in a deep pan over ice.

[CA] Properly cool PHF's using shallow containers, using no more than 2 inches for solid foods and no more than 3 inches for liquids. Also ice should reach at top to cool the food at the top.

K36 - 2 Points - Equipment, utensils, linens: Improper storage and use; 114074, 114081, 114119, 114121, 114161, 114178, 114179, 114083, 114185, 114185.2, 114185.3, 114185.4, 114185.5

Inspector Observations: Cutting blocks and boards were scratched and scored with stains.

[CA] Surfaces of equipment such as cutting blocks and boards that are scratched and scored so that they can no longer be effectively be cleaned and sanitized shall be resurfaced or replaced.

[SA] Sand down the cutting blocks or replace them.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

Needs Improvement - Proper cooling methods.

Needs Improvement - Proper hot and cold holding temperatures.

Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
MEAT	WALK IN COOLER 1	40.00 Fahrenheit	
CARNITA	HOT HOLDING	128.00 Fahrenheit	COOKED THIS MORNING 5 HOURS AGO
CHEESE	COLD HOLDING	38.00 Fahrenheit	
CHICKEN	COLD HOLDING	40.00 Fahrenheit	
PICO DE GALLO	COLD DISPLAY	40.00 Fahrenheit	
PICO DE GALLO	FOOD PREP TABLE	40.00 Fahrenheit	
HOT WATER	HAND WASHING RESTROOM	100.00 Fahrenheit	
HOT WATER	HAND WASHING	100.00 Fahrenheit	
TALAPIA	HOT HOLDING	148.00 Fahrenheit	
SANITIZER	BUCKET	100.00 PPM	
SHREDED CHICKEN	HOT HOLDING	140.00 Fahrenheit	
SHRIMPS	WALK IN FREEZER	20.00 Fahrenheit	
RICE	HOT HOLDING	140.00 Fahrenheit	
BEANS	HOT HOLDING	145.00 Fahrenheit	
PORK CHILI VERDA	HOT HOLDING	152.00 Fahrenheit	
HOT WATER	3-COMP SINK	125.00 Fahrenheit	
GUCAMOLE	COLD HOLDING	40.00 Fahrenheit	
BEEF	COLD HOLDING	40.00 Fahrenheit	

Overall Comments:

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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 **3/12/2025**. 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: LOPEZ, MIGUEL
OWNER

Signed On: February 26, 2025