

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0230001 - THE HILL		Site Address 17330 MONTEREY RD, MORGAN HILL, CA 95037		Inspection Date 09/05/2026		Placard Color & Score YELLOW 73		
Program PR0330001 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 6-25 EMPLOYEES RC 2 - FP13			Owner Name ACEVEDO, HUBERTO		Inspection Time 20:30 - 21:55			
Inspected By RAYMOND CHUNG		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By ROBERT ACEVEDO				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						S
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		N
K06	Adequate handwash facilities supplied, accessible		X		X			N
K07	Proper hot and cold holding temperatures	X						
K08	Time as a public health control; procedures & records						X	
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		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	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	X	
K35	Equipment, utensils: Approved, in good repair, adequate capacity	X	
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	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

K06 - 8 Points - Inadequate handwash facilities: supplied or accessible; 113953, 113953.1, 113953.2, 114067(f)

Inspector Observations:

Paper towel dispenser at the kitchen hand sink was empty. [corrective action] Keep the paper towel dispenser stocked. [correction] Manager refilled the paper towel dispenser.

K14 - 8 Points - Food contact surfaces unclean and unsanitized; 113984(e), 114097, 114099.1, 114099.4, 114099.6, 114101, 114105, 114109, 114111, 114113, 114115(a,b,d), 114117, 14125(b), 114141

Inspector Observations:

Observed heavy black residue building up on the panel and walls of the ice machine. [corrective action] Remove the ice and thoroughly clean and sanitize the interior of the ice machine. [suitable alternative] Manager turned off the ice machine and discarded the ice. Ice will be purchased until the ice machine is cleaned.

Minor Violations

K21 - 3 Points - Hot and cold water not available; 113953(c), 114099.2(b), 114163(a), 114189, 114192, 114192.1, 11419

Inspector Observations:

Hot and cold water at the bar hand sink was turned off due to leaking faucet. [corrective action] Repair the leak and turn water supply back on. [suitable alternative] Temporarily use the dump sink at the bar to wash hands. Manager provided a bottle of hand soap for this sink.

K34 - 2 Points - Warewashing facilities: not installed or maintained; no test strips; 114067(f,g), 114099, 114099.3, 114099.5, 114101(a), 114101.1, 114101.2, 114103, 114107, 114125

Inspector Observations:

The kitchen was lacking a drain stopper. [corrective action] Provide a drain stopper for the 3-compartment sink so that sink can be filled with sanitizer solution.

K35 - 2 Points - Equipment, utensils - Unapproved, unclean, not in good repair, inadequate capacity; 114130, 114130.1, 114130.2, 114130.3, 114130.4, 114130.5, 114132, 114133, 114137, 114139, 114153, 114155, 114163, 114165, 114167, 114169, 114175, 114177, 114180, 114182

Inspector Observations:

Observed mops leaning against the wall in the mop sink to dry. No mop hanger was available. [corrective action] Reinstall a mop hanger above the mop sink. Hang mops with mop head facing down to allow for proper drying.

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:

The food preparation sink was completely blocked by a large table. [corrective action] Remove the table so that the sink is accessible for food preparation (such as washing vegetables).

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:

1. Drain pipe for the food preparation sink was missing. [corrective action] Reinstall the drain pipe and ensure waste water is directed to the floor sink underneath.

2. Observed leak from the dump sink at the bar. [corrective action] Repair the leak. [suitable alternative] Manager provided a bucket and placed it under the dump sink to catch the wastewater.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

Needs Improvement - Hands clean/properly washed/gloves used properly.

Needs Improvement - Adequate handwash facilities: supplied or accessible.

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Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
hot water	3-compartment sink	126.00 Fahrenheit	
pastor	cold drawer	39.00 Fahrenheit	
warm water	women's restroom	100.00 Fahrenheit	
hot water	4-compartment sink (bar)	125.00 Fahrenheit	
beans	cold drawer	39.00 Fahrenheit	
shell egg	walk-in cooler (back)	32.00 Fahrenheit	
warm water	men's restroom	100.00 Fahrenheit	
shredded cheese	walk-in cooler (bar)	32.00 Fahrenheit	
warm water	hand sink (kitchen)	100.00 Fahrenheit	
chicharron	cold drawer	35.00 Fahrenheit	

Overall Comments:

Follow-up inspection scheduled for 09/10/2026. Ensure manager's Food Safety Certificate is available for review.

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 **9/19/2026**. 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: Robert Acevedo
Manager
Signed On: September 05, 2026