

County of Santa Clara

Department of Environmental Health

Consumer Protection Division

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OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT

Facility FA0278340 - CHARMINAR EXPRESS		Site Address 1191 E ARQUES AV, SUNNYVALE, CA 94085		Inspection Date 06/19/2026		Placard Color & Score GREEN 80		
Program PR0420495 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 0-5 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP11			Owner Name MINAR EXPRESS ARQUES 1		Inspection Time 10:30 - 12:00			
Inspected By HAYLEY MENTZ		Inspection Type ROUTINE INSPECTION		Consent By VELPULU				FSC Syed Afzal 10/09/2029

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						S
K06	Adequate handwash facilities supplied, accessible		X		X			N
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						S
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	X	
K31	Consumer self service does prevent contamination		
K32	Food properly labeled and honestly presented		
K33	Nonfood contact surfaces clean	X	
K34	Warewash facilities: installed/maintained; test strips	X	
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	X	
K39	Thermometers provided, accurate		
K40	Wiping cloths: properly used, stored	X	
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	X	
K46	No unapproved private home/living/sleeping quarters		
K47	Signs posted; last inspection report available		
K48	Plan review		

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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: 1. Handwash sink near cookline is missing paper towels and paper towel dispenser.

[CA] Single-use sanitary towels shall be provided in dispensers; heated-air hand drying device may be substituted for single-use towels.

[COS] Roll of paper towels was placed near sink.

2. Glass bottles inside handwash sink basin near 3-comp sink.

[CA] Handwashing facility shall be clean, unobstructed, and accessible at all times.

Minor Violations

K30 - 2 Points - Food storage containers are not identified; 114047, 114049, 114051, 114053, 114055, 114067(h), 114069 (b)

Inspector Observations: Food stored on the floor in walk-in cooler.

[CA] Food shall be stored at least 6 inches above the floor to prevent contamination.

K33 - 2 Points - Nonfood contact surfaces not clean; 114115(c)

Inspector Observations: Heavy food build-up in dry storage area; food accumulated on lids and shelves and floor.

[CA] Nonfood-contact surfaces of equipment shall be kept free of an accumulation of dust, dirt, food residue, and other debris.

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: No test strips were available at time of inspection.

[CA] Testing equipment and materials shall be provided to adequately measure the applicable sanitization method used during manual or mechanical warewashing.

K38 - 2 Points - Inadequate ventilation and lighting in designated area; 114149, 114149.1, 114149.2, 114149.3, 114252, 114252.1

Inspector Observations: Heavy grease build-up on ventilation hood filters.

[CA] Ventilation hood filters shall be maintained clean and good repair.

K40 - 2 Points - Wiping cloths: improperly used and stored; 114135, 114185.1 114185.3(d,e)

Inspector Observations: Soiled wiping cloths stored on prep surfaces.

[CA] Wiping towels shall be stored in sanitizing solution of an approved concentration when not in use (100 ppm - chlorine, 200 ppm - quaternary ammonium).

K45 - 2 Points - Floor, walls, ceilings: not built, not maintained, not clean; 114143(d), 114266, 114268, 114268.1, 114271, 114272

Inspector Observations: Heavy grease and food build-up on floors in food prep areas.

[CA] Walls and/or floors in food preparation area shall be kept clean.

Performance-Based Inspection Questions

Needs Improvement - Adequate handwash facilities: supplied or accessible.

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Measured Observations

Item	Location	Measurement	Comments
goat	prep insert	39.00 Fahrenheit	
meat	walk-in	35.00 Fahrenheit	
rice	rice cooker	170.00 Fahrenheit	
curry	prep insert	38.00 Fahrenheit	
chicken	prep insert	39.00 Fahrenheit	
hot water	prep sink	120.00 Fahrenheit	
heavy cream	walk-in	36.00 Fahrenheit	
warm water	handwash sink	100.00 Fahrenheit	
eggs	2-door under counter #2	38.00 Fahrenheit	
curry	cookline	180.00 Fahrenheit	
yogurt sauce	2-door under counter	40.00 Fahrenheit	
mango lassi	reach-in	40.00 Fahrenheit	
milk	walk-in	35.00 Fahrenheit	
sauce	3-door under counter	41.00 Fahrenheit	
hot water	3-comp sink	120.00 Fahrenheit	

Overall Comments:

NOTE: Facility has changed names but not owners.

PIC stated he would send me business license to change name to Avakai & Co

Will submit EAR

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 **7/3/2026**. 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: Velpulu
PIC
Signed On: June 19, 2026