

**County of Santa Clara**  
**Department of Environmental Health**  
**Consumer Protection Division**

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**OFFICIAL INSPECTION REPORT**

<b>Facility</b> FA0207928 - CARDENAS #203 - TAQUERIA		<b>Site Address</b> 235 E JULIAN ST, SAN JOSE, CA 95112		<b>Inspection Date</b> 01/22/2025	
<b>Program</b> PR0305120 - FOOD PREP / FOOD SVC OP 6-25 EMPLOYEES RC 3 - FP14			<b>Owner Name</b> MI PUEBLO NEWCO, LLC		<b>Inspection Time</b> 15:00 - 16:00
<b>Inspected By</b> LAWRENCE DODSON	<b>Inspection Type</b> ROUTINE INSPECTION	<b>Consent By</b> JORGE	<b>FSC</b> Jose L Sandoval Magona 10/06/2026		

<b>Placard Color &amp; Score</b>
<b>GREEN</b>
<b>82</b>

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				
K06 Adequate handwash facilities supplied, accessible			X				
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						
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	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		
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

K05 - 3 Points - Hands not clean/improperly washed/gloves not used properly; 113952, 113953.3, 113953.4, 113961, 113968, 113973 (b-f)

**Inspector Observations: Observed 2 employees wipe face and continue to work in service area.**

**[CA] Properly wash hands with soap, warm water and dry using single use paper towels as required.**

K06 - 3 Points - Inadequate handwash facilities: supplied or accessible; 113953, 113953.1, 113953.2, 114067(f)

**Inspector Observations: Single use paper towels are not installed in dispenser in preparation area.**

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

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

**Inspector Observations: Water at 3 compartment sink measured a maximum of 109F.**

**[CA] Hot water shall be supplied at a minimum temperature of at least 120°F measured from the faucet throughout facility except at handwash sinks.**

K23 - 3 Points - Observed rodents, insects, birds, or animals; 114259.1, 114259.4, 114259.5

**Inspector Observations: 1 live fly found on preparation table.[CA] Maintain facility to prevent entry/harborage of vermin.**

**Dry cockroach found stuck to wall in door way.**

**[CA] Clean and sanitize area of dead cockroaches or old droppings.**

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: Scoop used for scooping champurado is located in public area and not protect by a sneeze guard.**

**[CA] All cleaned utensils shall be stored in a clean, dry location where they are not exposed to splash, dust, or other contamination, and at least six inches above the floor.**

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

**Inspector Observations: Unshielded lighting found above food preparation area.**

**[CA] Light bulbs shall be shielded, coated or otherwise shatter-resistant in areas where there is unpackaged foods, clean equipment, utensils, linens, or unwrapped single use articles.**

**Ceiling above food service and cook line is yellowing.**

**[CA] Provide approved exhaust hood ventilation over all cooking equipment as required to effectively remove cooking odors, smoke, steam, grease, heat, and vapors.**

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

**Inspector Observations: Several wet/soiled wiping cloths found on preparation tables.**

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

### Performance-Based Inspection Questions

All responses to PBI questions were satisfactory.

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## Measured Observations

<u>Item</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Measurement</u>	<u>Comments</u>
cooked rice	hot holding unit	154.00 Fahrenheit	
water	3 compartment sink	109.00 Fahrenheit	
sour cream	preparation refrigerator	40.00 Fahrenheit	
standing refrigerator	storage	38.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked chicken	hot holding unit	167.00 Fahrenheit	
cooked beef	hot holding unit	158.00 Fahrenheit	
sanitizer concentration	3 compartment sink	200.00 PPM	quaternary ammonium
cooked rice	preparation table	49.00 Fahrenheit	active preparation
cooked beans	preparation table	111.00 Fahrenheit	cooling

## Overall Comments:

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 **2/5/2025**. 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

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**Received By:** Jorge haro  
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**Signed On:** January 22, 2025