

LOGAN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REPORT

DATE 9/16/17 RECEIVED BY Don Ryan FILE# EFS-17-7

PHONE CALL E-mail
LETTER IN PERSON ANONYMOUS

NAME OF COMPLAINANT _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____

DETAILS OF COMPLAINT Palms Grill Cafe allegedly dumping
used cooking grease, oil into storm drain behind building
- Storage shed possibly unsanitary

OWNER INVOLVED IN COMPLAINT (NAME, ADDRESS & PHONE #)
Palms Grill Cafe

LOCATION OF COMPLAINT (if different than above) _____

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION

9/16/17 - Don Cavi (Administrator) notified Ryan Williams (Director of EH)

9/18/17 - 8:08 a.m. Ryan notified Larry Luka (State Plumbing Inspector)
in regards to complaint.

9/18/17 - Spoke w/ Bill Thomas regarding complaint. Storage
shed contains single service items & 2 Freezers @ 0°F

9/19/17 - Larry emailed & will look into complaint.

COMPLAINT ABATED YES NO DATE 1/1/

REFERRED TO State Plumbing Inspector DATE 9/18/17

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATED BY _____

Ryan Williams

From: Don Cavi
Sent: Saturday, September 16, 2017 9:38 AM
To:
Cc: Ryan Williams
Subject: Fwd: Sewer hazard behind Grill Cafe in Atlanta, IL

_____, just a few of my thoughts for follow up. You do need to contact the City of Atlanta. For nuisance complaints, our office regulates in the "County" but anything within incorporated city limits is covered by the town. We do regulate the food establishment mainly regarding sanitary food preparation practices. We can still address this as a food establishment complaint but the City will have more teeth in regulating since this is a nuisance matter within their regulatory boundaries.

Ryan will be happy to work with you and provide further information once he's back to the office on Monday. We will be happy to work with you, the establishment and the city to do what we possibly can to assist in the matter.

Don

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Ryan Williams <rwilliams@lcdph.org>
Date: September 16, 2017 at 9:17:43 AM CDT
To: Don Cavi <dcavi@lcdph.org>
Subject: Re: Sewer hazard behind Grill Cafe in Atlanta, IL

I will forward and contact Larry Luka - State Plumbing Inspector as well.

On Sep 16, 2017, at 9:11 AM, Don Cavi <dcavi@lcdph.org> wrote:

Ryan, please see below. Thanks for handling.

Don

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Begin forwarded message:

From: _____
Date: September 15, 2017 at 11:08:37 PM CDT
To: Lcdph Info <info@lcdph.org>, Don Cavi <dcavi@lcdph.org>
Subject: Sewer hazard behind Grill Cafe in Atlanta, IL

See below:

Contact Us

Let us know if you have a question, comment, or request. Please complete the following fields to the best of your ability.

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Phone number: _____

Preferred method of contact: Email

How may we assist you?

The Grill Café - part of the Atlanta Public Library District has been depositing used cooking grease, used cooking oil, and other things in outside storm drain behind the building in Atlanta, Illinois. Pictures can be found here in Dropbox:
https://www.dropbox.com/s/sztvc1uf6k4bbju/20170914_175723.jpg?c
AND HERE:
https://www.dropbox.com/s/gn6vzbqd1a347f1/20170914_175717.jpg
Thanks for your consideration as the smell coming out of that storm drain is nauseating.

Ryan Williams

From: Luka, Larry <Larry.Luka@Illinois.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 12:11 PM
To: Ryan Williams
Subject: RE: [External] Plumbing - Palms Grill - Atlanta, IL

I will still swing by there even tho it seems to be taken care of. Thanks for the info
Larry

From: Ryan Williams [mailto:rwilliams@lcdph.org]
Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 3:27 PM
To: Luka, Larry
Subject: [External] Plumbing - Palms Grill - Atlanta, IL

Larry,

I spoke with the Owner of the Palms Grill in Atlanta. He talked with the City of Atlanta and explained the situation that had been taking place. They do not dump their grease into the back drain – they have a grease trap installed inside the building that they have pumped out. The mistake they had been making was dumping their mop bucket directly into it outside the back door after cleaning. They will no longer do this and this will hopefully correct the situation. Let me know if you have any questions.

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Ryan Williams

From: Ryan Williams
Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 8:08 AM
To: 'larry.luka@illinois.gov'
Subject: FW: Sewer hazard behind Grill Cafe in Atlanta, IL

Larry,

We received a complaint from a citizen (below) regarding the Palm's Grill Café in Atlanta, IL dumping used cooking grease directly into the sewer behind their building. I will address it with the City of Atlanta, but I wanted to get your thoughts as well.

Thanks,

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I forwarded to our environmental health staff. You may also want to check with the City of Atlanta since they are incorporated and may very well have an ordinance to address such nuisance. We'll also do what we can on our end. Thanks for bringing to our attention.

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