



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA

11222 ACACIA PKWY, P.O. BOX 3070, GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA 92842

**Community Development Department
Code Enforcement Division
Complaint and Inspection Report**

CASE# 157860

11182 LAMPSON AVE - CCRI

Reactive Report

Inspector: Rita Cramer **RD#** 124

Date/Time: 03/20/13 - 07:49 AM **N.O.V Date:** 04/12/13

Reinspection: **Closed Date:** 06/12/13

Referred to N.I.:

COMPLAINING PARTIES

Name: **Phone:**

VIOLATION CODE:

- 04.2 Construction Debris
- 05 Business in Residential
- 06 Noise Violation

EXPLANATION OF VIOLATION / COMPLAINT:

From: To: "Ralph Hernandez" Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2013 2:35:20 PM
Subject: 11182 Lampson Revisited Hello Mr. Hernandez: I trust this note finds you doing well. I realize that we haven't communicated in several years. Back in 2008 and 2009, you went to exceptional lengths to resolve issues regarding the unauthorized operation of a construction business at 11182 Lampson Avenue, the property immediately west of mine. Fortunately, your actions resulted in a significant, although not total, elimination of such activity. Over the years, unfortunately, the behavior of my neighbors has "backslid" to the extent that they have virtually resumed business as usual, circa 2008. In fact, this behavior had resumed as early as mid-2009, but because of significant health issues I was encountering in 2009 and 2010, I just elected to "turn the other cheek," as I had little energy to engage in another go-around with these matters. Another reason that has precluded me from bring these issues to your attention is that I typically leave home for work well prior to 7:00 a.m., which is when their activities usually commence. However, this morning, after returning from an exhausting week-long business trip, I was unceremoniously awakened by the cacophony of banging aluminum. Hence, I have finally reached my limit, and once again am requesting your assistance. Different from 2008, however, are two significant issues. First, in what resembles a "shell game," the dates on which the business activities are conducted are varied, typically as to not establish a detectable pattern. However, work is almost always done on Saturday mornings and Friday mornings on which City Hall is closed. Second, I have noticed that some individuals

who formerly resided at 11182 Lampson now bring their trucks to the home for loading from other locations - I see these vehicles coming in as I am driving out. This would remove the "parking their means for getting to work where they live" exclusion you granted to most of the trucks in 2008. I regret having to bring this to your attention again, but these individuals have no regard for the well being of any others than themselves, a pattern of behavior they have demonstrated for many years. As a result I am requesting your assistance in order to curtail the illegal activities occurring at this residence. Please feel free to contact me at _____ should you wish to discuss this further. Your assistance is appreciated.

PROPERTY / WATER / BUSINESS OWNER INFORMATION:

Property Owner: GARCIA, ANTONIO **Phone #:** None.
Address: 11182 LAMPSON AVE , GARDEN GROVE,CA 92840-5228

Water Account#: 293671024
Name: GARCIA, ANTONIO L **Phone #:**
Address: 11182 LAMPSON AVE, GARDEN GROVE, CA, 92840-5228

Business Name: GARCIA ANTONIO INSTALLATION **Bus Lic#:** 170681
Bus Owner: GARCIA, ANTONIO **Phone #:** None.
Address: 11182 LAMPSON AVE, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92840

Inspection Report

06/12/13 - 09:16 AM

Rita Cramer

Per weekend volunteers on Saturday, 6-8 at 11:30 a.m. - No activity. Clear, close.

05/06/13 - 04:31 PM

Rita Cramer

Per weekend volunteers on Saturday, May 4 at 10:14 a.m. - No activity noted.

05/02/13 - 07:27 AM

Rita Cramer

I put the file in for the weekend volunteers.

05/01/13 - 10:59 AM

Rita Cramer

Tues, 4-30 1:38 p.m. - Blue dumpster in street, no visible debris in driveway, no business type activity.

04/12/13 - 10:08 AM

Rita Cramer

Fri, 8:34 a.m. - From the street I could see a black trailer parked in the rear portion of the driveway, visible construction type debris on top of the trailer, large blue dumpster also in back portion of the driveway full above the top with debris. Sent 1st NOV.

04/12/13 - 07:52 AM

Rita Cramer

I checked business licensing for this address there is an active business license for the following: GARCIA ANTONIO INSTALLATION Business Details staff view | edit | Back Business type SOLE OWNER Start on 05/01/03 Tax Certificates/Permits add tax certificate | add permit Cert # 170681 GG SIC 7349 (MAINTENANCE - COML/RESIDENTIAL) Description HOME OFFICE HANDYMAN INSTALL PATIO/CARPORT Conditions OFFICE ONLY. ALSO HAVE 186689 & 137164. Expire on 04/30/2013 validation 04/19/12 printed 04/24/12 edit | renew/pay | print renewal | print cert | print closing | close cert Locations add location GARCIA ANTONIO INSTALLATION Addresss 11182 LAMPSON AVE GARDEN GROVE, CA 92840 Zoning LDR CCRI Certs/permits 170681 Closed on -- Open on 05/01/2003 phone: edit | close | add contact Contacts add contact GARCIA, ANTONIO (primary owner) edit | remove

04/09/13 - 10:50 AM

Rita Cramer

Per weekend volunteers on Saturday, 4-6 at 11:50 a.m. - No activity, children in front of home. Photo #4355

04/08/13 - 07:32 AM

Rita Cramer

Monday, 4-8 I received the e-mail below from : 11182 Lampson Ave. April 7, 2013 7:54 PM From: ; To: ritac@ci.garden-grove.ca.us ritac@ci.garden-grove.ca.us; Cc: Ralph Hernandez "R Officer Cramer: I was informed by Mr. Hernandez of your Department that you had assumed responsibility for this area, and that he had forwarded information regarding activities at 11182 Lampson Avenue to your attention. As you may be aware, the owners of this property have persisted in operating a construction business from this residence for many years, contrary to the R-1 zoning requirements for the area, and despite repeated direction from the City to discontinue such activities. I recently revisited this issue with your office, as I have once again grown weary of the callous disregard these individuals show for regulations and the overall well being of their neighborhood. I do not believe, that as a tax-paying resident of Garden Grove that I should be forced to endure this persistent assault on the value of my property and the peaceful enjoyment of my home, which is regularly

interrupted by the noise, visual blight, and added traffic generated solely by this party's sense of entitlement to conduct this business operation despite applicable regulatory restrictions. As I mentioned in my recent email correspondence with Mr. Hernandez, since his enforcement efforts in 2008, the individuals at 11182 Lampson have adopted a strategy of "denial, deceit, and concealment" in order to perpetuate their operation outside detection by the City of Garden Grove, electing to conduct the much of their operations on Fridays when City Hall is closed, evenings, and weekends. Between my parents and myself, we have owned the property at _____ for over 56 years. Other than a traffic ticket and a late water bill payment when I was hospitalized several years back, we have always conformed to whatever the City has required of us. I do not believe that it is unreasonable to request that others in my neighborhood be required to likewise. At this point, I am feeling desperate, to the extent that, through no fault of my own, I am being forced from my home. I am hoping against hope that the City can curtail these activities once and for all. In the absence of such a solution, I fear that I will need to seek legal remedies outside your authority, including retention of an attorney and a private investigator. Please advise me as to the status of your Department's activities in this matter. Should you have any questions, I can be reached at _____. Your assistance is appreciated.

04/02/13 - 08:41 AM

Rita Cramer

Fri, 3-29 3:46 p.m. - No commercial type vehicles on this property, no business type activity observed.

03/27/13 - 05:00 PM

Rita Cramer

(delay in entry as I was out of the office from 03-13 through 03-26) Re: 11182 Lampson Revisited March 20, 2013 8:37 AM From: Ralph Hernandez "Ralph Hernandez" ; To: _____ ; Cc: Rita Cramer "Rita Received the following string of e-mails from Ralph Hernandez: I have sent a copy of this e-mail to Officer Cramer. Thank you my friend! Ralph Hernandez Code Enforcement Department City of Garden Grove 714-741-5353 From: _____ To: "Ralph Hernandez" Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2013 8:29:22 AM Subject: Re: 11182 Lampson Revisited Thanks. By the way, I am currently working in Bakersfield, where I spend a considerable amount of my time these days. Please let Ms. Cramer know that any permission I previously granted to you for access to my property for purposes of observing activities at 11182 Lampson continues to be valid and applies to all City of Garden Grove personnel. You may use this email as evidence of my consent. --- On Wed, 3/20/13, Ralph Hernandez wrote: From: Ralph Hernandez Subject: Re: 11182 Lampson Revisited To: _____ Date: Wednesday, March 20, 2013, 8:15 AM Hello again. I have every confidence in her. PS: her CORRECT e-mail address is: ritac@ci.garden-grove.ca.us Sorry about that. Ralph Hernandez Code Enforcement Department City of Garden Grove 714-741-5353 From: _____ To: "Ralph Hernandez" Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2013 8:07:22 AM Subject: Re: 11182 Lampson Revisited Thank you for the follow up. I hope that she exercises the same level of diligence that you did. _____ Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE DROID Re: 11182 Lampson Revisited March 20, 2013 8:37 AM From: Ralph Hernandez "Ralph Hernandez" ; To: _____ ; Cc: Rita Cramer "Rita Cramer" Ralph Hernandez wrote: Good morning, _____. I no longer patrol that part of Garden Grove. However, I have forwarded your e-mail to officer Rita Cramer. She can be reached at 714-741-5355 or ritac@ci-garden-grove.ca.us with any questions. Thank you. Ralph Hernandez Code Enforcement Department City of Garden Grove 714-741-5353