



# 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# 147923**

**12702 MAGNOLIA ST - R1**

Reactive Report

**Inspector:** Rita Cramer **RD#** 084

**Date/Time:** 09/27/10 - 04:08 PM **N.O.V Date:** 10/26/10

**Reinspection:** **Closed Date:** 11/23/10

**Referred to N.I.:**

## COMPLAINING PARTIES

**Name:** Anonymous **Phone:** None.

## VIOLATION CODE:

- 02 Commercial Vehicle
- 03 Parking on the Unpaved
- 04.2 Construction Debris
- 05 Business in Residential
- 18.1 No B.O.T.C.

## CITATIONS

None.

## EXPLANATION OF VIOLATION / COMPLAINT:

Commercial trucks in the backyard.

## PROPERTY / WATER / BUSINESS OWNER INFORMATION:

**Property Owner:** R JR LIVING TRUST CURRAN,T **Phone #:** None.

**Address:** 12301 OWEN ST, GARDEN GROVE, CA, 92845

**Property Owner:** CURRAN, THOMAS RAY JR TR **Phone #:** None.

**Address:** 12301 OWEN ST , GARDEN GROVE, CA 92845-2131

**Property Owner:** R/O THOMAS RAY CURRAN **Phone #:** None.

**Address:** 12712 MAGNOLIA ST, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92841

**Water Account#:**

**Name:** CURRAN, TOM **Phone #:**  
**Address:** 12301 OWEN ST, GARDEN GROVE, CA, 92845

**Business Name:** CURRAN THOMAS R **Bus Lic#:**  
**Bus Owner:** CURRAN, THOMAS R **Phone #:**  
**Address:** 6542 HOLLIS ST % VICKY, CORONA, CA 92880

# Inspection Report

**12/08/10 - 09:40 AM**

**Rita Cramer**

Per Sgt. Leiva, case closed (comments attached)

**11/17/10 - 04:39 PM**

**Rita Cramer**

Sgt. Leiva advised me that Mr. Curran came into the Police Dept. and spoke with Deputy Chief Raney. Sgt. Leiva has attempted to recontact Mr. Curran but has not heard back from him.

**11/01/10 - 02:38 PM**

**Rita Cramer**

1:07p.m. - Property owner, Tom Curran came into City Hall, 1:20p.m. - I returned to the office and returned call to Mr. Curran, he said he has been operating his tree trimming business out of the 12702 Magnolia St. residence since 1983 and purchased the house next door at 12712 Magnolia St. in 1987 (no BOTC for tree trimming business at either residence). Mr. Curran said this is going to basically break him and his family. Over the past 4 years business has been really bad and he's down to maybe 2 days per week. His knuckles are sore from knocking on so many doors trying to drum up business that he now uses a stick. He's had to let employees go. I advised Mr. Curran it was unfortunate that this was happening, but the problem is that these two properties are zoned single family residential and operating a business where there are commercial trucks and equipment and where employees come to is simply not permitted. Mr. Curran asked where the complaint came from I said it was anonymous, he said he believed there was no way it could be one of his neighbors because he has done a lot of work for each of them, cause that's just the kind of guy he is. He said he has three kids and they all want to go to college, asked what is he going to tell them. After listening to Mr. Curran state that there are many other businesses including a muffler shop, a day care center being run legitimately at other residences in the neighborhood, why can he not get his legitimized. He asked what he could do to have this business continue, I said he would probably need to contact the Planning Dept. and request a variance for each address to allow a rezoning of the property. I advised Mr. Curran that there are costs involved with variances and there's no guarantee they would be granted as that was a decision the Planning Committee determines.

**10/26/10 - 11:35 AM**

**Rita Cramer**

I checked DBI, shows this address as a residential rental with a different mailing address in Corona. BOTC for residential rental expired 09-30-10. Sent 1st NOV for all violations. See case #147922 for related case at 12702 Magnolia St.

**10/26/10 - 10:11 AM**

**Rita Cramer**

I contacted PD records with the license plates of the two commercial trucks I saw in the driveways of 12702 and 12712 Magnolia St. 1) on the white GMC with the orange rack in the front and tall, flat black back chipper type cover and ladders on top comes back to a 1986 GMC registered to Curran Thomas Ray 12712 Magnolia St., Garden Grove, CA 92841 Weight: 13360, Operating Weight: 26000 exp. 11-30-10 last 4 VIN: 0271. 2) on the white GMC C6500 with 'Tom's Tree Trimming Topping Removal 714-531-5379' on the left driver's side door and black a-frame style chipper cover comes back to a 1998 GMC registered to Curran Thomas Ray 12712 Magnolia St. Garden Grove, CA 92841 Weight: 14620 Operating Weight: 26000 exp. 09-30-11, last 4 VIN: 5781. See attached documents.

**10/26/10 - 10:03 AM**

**Rita Cramer**

Thurs, 10-26-10 7:05a.m. - Conducted follow up inspection. 7:14 a.m.- Observed two male subjects walking northbound on Magnolia st. one wearing a blue plaid long-sleeved shirt or jacket, the other wearing an orange t-shirt. They walked up to the front door and entered the residence of 12712 Magnolia St. 7:15 a.m. - From the street one residence north of 12702 Magnolia St., I could above see the black tops of two large commercial type vehicles parked in the back yard of 12702 Magnolia St. behind a chain linked gate in the driveway. 7:22 a.m. - While I was parked along the curb just south of this address, a subject drove up in a white and blue Ford pick-up truck and parked in front of 12712 Magnolia St. 7:34 a.m. - A subject drove up in a silver SUV and entered the driveway of 12712 Magnolia St. then drove northbound over the front yard lawn of 12702 Magnolia St. This subject exited the silver SUV, walked south through the front yard and as he entered the driveway of 12712 Magnolia St. and appeared to give a forward wave possibly to the subject who was sitting inside the white/blue Ford pick-up truck as he walked through the now open gates in the driveway of 12712 Magnolia St. 7:35 a.m. - The subject who was sitting in the white and blue pick-up truck exited the vehicle he was wearing a blue long-sleeved shirt and carrying a backpack and an orange piece of clothing. He then stood in the driveway and put on an orange t-shirt over the blue long sleeved shirt and walked through the open gates to the back yard of 12712 Magnolia St. 7:37 a.m. - I watched as one the large white truck with black raised top and ladders on the roof with an orange rack on the front end which blocked the front license plate exited the driveway of 12702 Magnolia St., it then traveled southbound in the northbound lanes of Magnolia St. then pulled into the driveway of 12712 Magnolia St. I could see the rear license plate of \_\_\_\_\_ and watched as it turned northbound into the rear yard of 12702 Magnolia St. 7:37a.m. - As the gates to the driveway of 12712 Magnolia were open I could see inside the rear yard and saw the front end of a large orange truck with black railing going up from the front. Black trailer also in the rear portion of the driveway with some type of yellow motorized equipment (possibly a rototiller) in the back of the black trailer, miscellaneous debris in the back of trailer and along the north side of the driveway. 7:39 a.m. A second commercial truck (the one with the black raised a-frame style rear roof) then pulled partially out of the rear driveway of 12702 Magnolia St. and stopped at the curblin. The male who I may have originally seen entering the residence through the front door of 12712 Magnolia wearing an orange t-shirt and a blue baseball cap then exited the driver's side door of this GMC truck then walked back into the driveway of 12712 Magnolia St. 7:41 a.m. - I drove my vehicle in front of 12702 Magnolia St. I could see it was a silver Isuzu Trooper which was parked on the front lawn and the commercial truck which was now stopped at the curblin was a model C6500 along the side of the hood and 'Tom's Tree Trimming Topping Removal 714-531-5379' on the left driver's side door. GMC emblem on front hood, CA license plate \_\_\_\_\_ 7:41 a.m. Walking along the right side of this truck was the subject similar to the one wearing the plaid long-sleeve coat who originally entered the residence at 12712 Magnolia St. now carrying two orange chain saws there was another subject behind him, male hispanic wearing a dark gray or black hooded sweatshirt and a blue baseball cap.

**10/14/10 - 11:10 AM**

**Rita Cramer**

Weds, 10-13 3:39p.m. - Commercial truck visible in back yard behind gate, large black 'chipper style' truck cover visible above gate.

**10/04/10 - 02:57 PM**

**Rita Cramer**

Thurs, 9-30 4:43p.m. - Driveway gate closed, but I could see a white commercial sized truck with a black chipper hood behind the gate.

**09/30/10 - 08:31 AM**

**Rita Cramer**

Weds, 9-29 - No visible violations from street. No commercial vehicles seen. Property exterior appears well maintained.

**09/27/10 - 04:26 PM**

**Rita Cramer**

Residential Rental Business License under: CURRAN THOMAS R Bus Lic#:  
#: Address: 6542 HOLLIS ST % VICKY, CORONA, CA 92880

Phone

**09/27/10 - 04:22 PM**

**Rita Cramer**

Call taker advised CP was refused, but said that there are a bunch of illegals there and there are possibly drug sales involving police personnel, but did not provide any additional information or details about police description.