

Gordon Apartments

City of Corpus Christi

Environmental Health Division

Raw Sewage Complaints & Investigation Report

Public Health Inspector/Officer – Jennifer Richter

Gordon Apartments has had numerous raw sewage overflow complaints. Most of the problems were from older cast iron pipes completely deteriorated. I witnessed large overflows at three major clean out locations. Some overflows would accumulate and make it into the streets curbs and gutters and into to storm water. The current owners were very slow in our requests for repairs and clean up. Most of the time, they would simply run a plumbers snake temporarily clearing lines and not fixing the major breaks. Tenants had to deal with raw sewage back ups into their apartments via their kitchen & bathroom sinks and tubs, or toilets. When upper apartments would have water overflows, the units below them would have ceiling tiles with mold and raw sewage smells. These living conditions were very dangerous and could cause many illness to the renters, especially among the young and the elderly.

Upon our recent walk thru of Gordon Apartments on April 9, 2015, the water has been turn off for a couple of months, so I was unable to see current plumbing issues. However, based on my previous complaint history and experience with this property and buildings, I would say most of the lines to apartments and to the main exit lines are in poor to failing conditions. My observation during our walk thru showed numerous apartments with signs of water or waste water damages, therefore many ceilings and walls were covered in mold. One unit still had a large amount of human waste which covered the entire bathroom, highly contaminated and unsafe unit.

I have included a few pictures showing the renters complaints of sewage back up into their apartments. Other pictures are from clean outs and sewage overflows.

I have been assigned to this property since March 2014. This report is respectfully submitted by Jennifer Richter. Should you have any questions or need additional pictures or information, please do not hesitate to call our office. Direct Line - 826-7231 or Office 826-7273



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July 28, 2014

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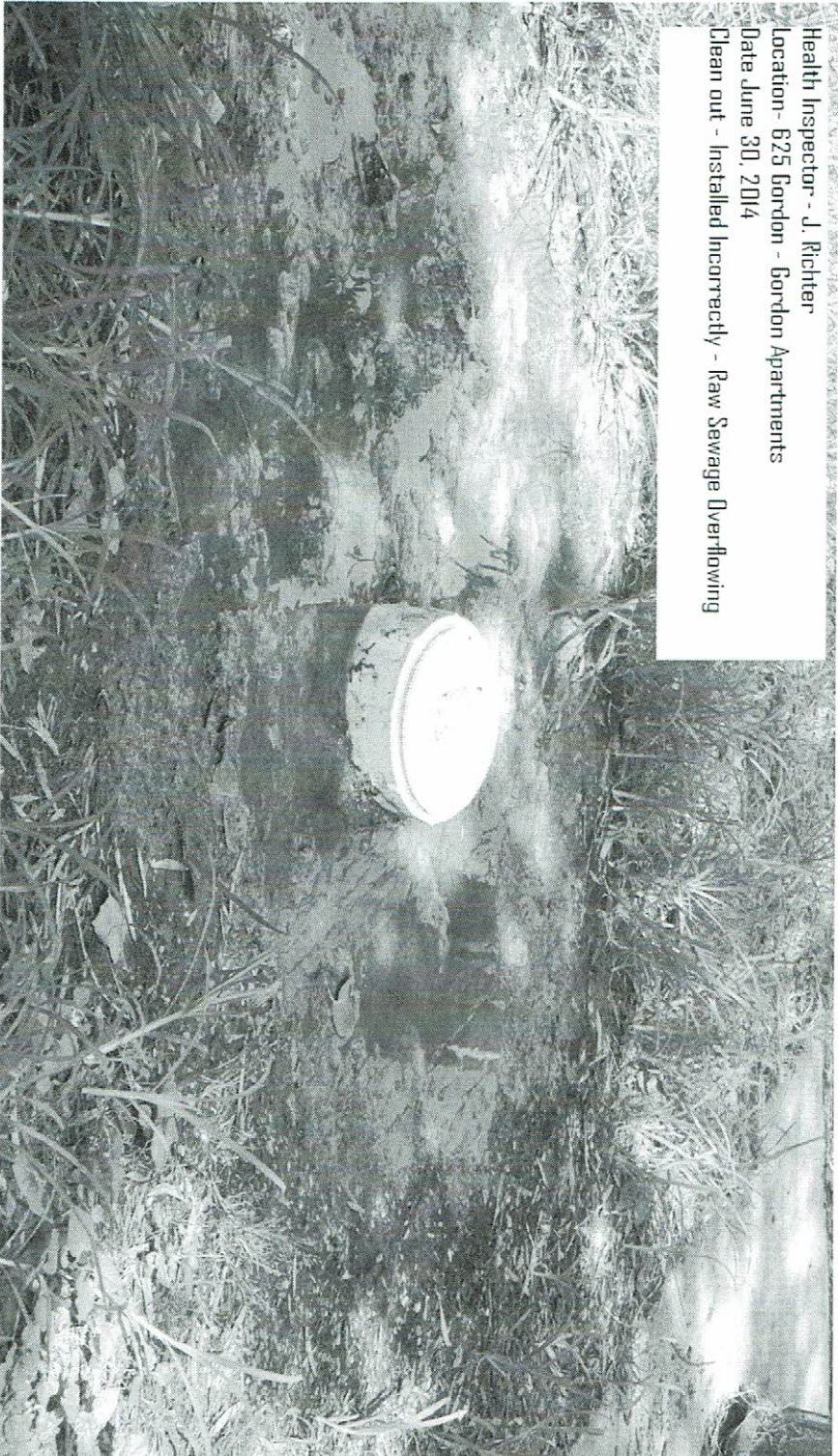


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July 16, 2014

Plumbing Problems – Water Damage – Sewage Overflows

Health Inspector - J. Richter
Location - 625 Gordon - Gordon Apartments
Date June 30, 2014
Clean out - Installed Incorrectly - Raw Sewage Overflowing



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June 30, 2014

Clean out – Installed incorrectly – Raw Sewage Overflowing



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May 15, 2014

Broken Lines – Raw Sewage Overflow at Clean outs