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Tony Escamilla
Owner/Inspector

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#### Abstract

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Houses/structures built between 1965 and 1974 have the possibility of aluminum wiring present throughout structure. It is recommend that a licensed electrician further evaluate houses built in this era for aluminum wiring. Houses/structures with galvanized or cast iron plumbing present are highly recommended to be further evaluated by a plumbing contractor regardless of the age of the plumbing.*

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still available to you for any questions you may have, throughout the entire closing process.
Properties being inspected do not "Pass" or "Fail." - The following report is based on an inspection of the visible areas of the structure; inspection may be limited by vegetation, height restrictions, weather and possessions. Depending on the age of the structure, some items like GFCI outlets may not be installed; this report will focus on safety and function, not current building codes. This report identifies specific non-building code, non-cosmetic concerns that the inspector feels may need further investigation or repair. It is NOT a requirement that a home being sold be brought up to today's building code standards.
We advise you to check all building permits for all areas of the structures present, a home inspection is NOT a building code violation inspection. If the proper building permits have not been obtained and/or do not have final building inspection signatures, then you cannot assume that these areas were installed to applicable building codes. Further investigation beyond the scope of the home inspection may be needed.

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Lateral Sewer Line Camera Inspection: Underground drains cannot be viewed by the Inspector and can often have internal issues that do not reveal themselves during the home inspection. We highly advise you to have a sewer camera inspection prior to the release of inspection contingencies.

Every home or structure is different, therefore may be inspected in various formats. Inspections can take anywhere from 1 to hours depending on the size of the structure or the age of the structure being inspected. The condition of the home or structure being inspected may also play a role in the time it takes for the inspection; the more defects there are to document, the longer th inspection will take. Inspection methods are generally the same among all inspectors, however experience and inspector's personal preferences may differ between Inspectors. This is the same for report writing. While Inspectors are provided with common statements to use in their report, they are also given the freedom to narrate or edit comments as they see fit for each inspection.

The Inspector cannot predict or find every defect in a structure being inspected. The time frame for an inspection only allows the Inspector to examine areas in a location by location order. If a defect arises in another area of the structure (including the exterior) for which this defect was not present or visible at the time of the inspection, then the Inspector cannot be liable for notifying you of the defect. For example: The inspector evaluates the exterior of the home first and finds no defects...but later runs the water at the kitchen sink and the water is not visibly leaking under the kitchen sink, but somehow is leaking through the exterior wall to the exterior, the Inspector will not back-track and re-inspect the exterior and will likely not see this or note the defect.

During the inspection, the water is turned on at all visible and/or accessible fixtures at the structure. In most cases, no water fixtures should be left unattended while turned on. There is no set standard time frame for how long each fixture should be operated. The Inspector will operate the water fixtures as long as is needed to determine if both the hot and/or cold water is operating at the designated fixture. Leaks can only be documented if they are visible at the time of operating the designated fixture. Future leaks cannot be predicted! A home inspector cannot determine if there are plumbing leaks inside walls or ceilings unless visible moisture or explicit signs of moisture are present and visible at the time of the inspection. This inspection does not include confirmation of water conservation devices at any fixture.

Note that this report is a snapshot in time and not a prediction of future conditions. We recommend that you or your representative carry out a final walk-through inspection immediately before closing escrow to check the condition of the property, using this report as a guide. Conditions can change at any time during escrow time periods. You are 100\% responsible for verifying all conditions prior to close of escrow.

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## Report Summary

The summary below consists of potentially significant findings. These findings can be a safety hazard, a deficiency requiring a major expense to correct or items I would like to draw extra attention to. The summary is not a complete listing of all the findings in the report, and reflects the opinion of the inspector. Please review all pages of the report as the summary alone does not explain all of the issues. All repairs should be done by a licensed \& bonded tradesman or qualified professional. recommend obtaining a copy of all receipts, warranties and permits for the work done.

| Exterior Areas |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Page 12 Item: 1 | Driveway and Walkway Condition | - Walkway is damaged or broken. This may pose a trip hazard. Repair or replacement is recommended. <br> - Portions of the walkway are missing. Repair or replacement is recommended. <br> - See photo. |
| Page 13 Item: 2 | Fence \& Walls Condition | - Moderate cracks noted on the block wall. |
| Page 14 Item: 3 | Grading \& Site Drainage | - Signs of poor drainage observed at the West side of the property. <br> - Evidence of pooling water was observed at time of inspection. <br> - Planter areas near the house do not have a drainage system installed and retain water when it rains. This excess moisture, near the foundation of the house, can cause damage. Installation of a drainage system is recommended. <br> - See photos. |
| Page 16 Item: 4 | Exterior Wall Condition | - Cracks noted are moderate and may indicate foundation movement due to seismic activity or settlement. <br> - Cracks were noted on the walls. <br> - Paint finish is deteriorated or flaking. Repainting is recommended to prevent moisture damaged. <br> - Evidence of continual splashing was observed on the walls, due to lack of roof gutters. Over time, this may cause moisture damage and penetration. <br> - See photos. |
| Porch, Patios \& Decks |  |  |
| Page 21 Item: 1 | Porches Observations | - Floor Condition: <br> - Minor settlement noted. <br> - See photos. |


| Page 23 Item: 3 | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Decks \& Balconies } \\ \text { Observations }\end{array}$ |
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- Hand or guard railing is loose or damaged. Repair or replacement is necessary.
- Hand or guard railing is too wide and may allow a small child to fall through. Upgrades are recommended, but may not be required.
- The wood deck was evaluated at part of this inspection, from the underside of the deck and by using a ZipLevel Pro altimeter.

1) Significant floor settlement was measured at the north east side of the deck.
2) General practice for a cantilevered section of deck/balcony is for the cantilever to be no more than $1 / 4$ the length of the full span of the deck or balcony. In this case, the deck span at the north side of the property is 16 feet. The span of the cantilever is 6 ft . this is the area that has significant floor settlement. The most span this area should have is approximately 3 feet. See photos.
3) Moderate to significant moisture damage was observe on the floor joists throughout the underside of the deck from lack of regular maintenance.
4) The rim joist at the north side of the deck is loose and falling off.
5) The hand railings at the north side of the deck are visibly loose.
6) The railing balusters are too far apart and may allow a small child or pet to fall through. Current standards are for the balusters to be no more than 4 inches apart.
7) Significant soil erosion was observed on the east hillside, under the deck. Wooden boards have been installed under the deck to prevent soil erosion. However, these measures are grossly inadequate and the boards have collapsed.
Erosion is likely caused by the lack of vegetation cover.
8) Soil has eroded significantly under the several concrete piers. One pier and post are visibly leaning.
9) Structural beams are inadequately secured to the concrete base and are only secured to the adjacent beam with a metal strap.
10) Cracks observed on the south concrete deck/foundation.
11) See pool comments and photos.

Further evaluation by a licensed structural engineer is recommend.

| Garage, Carport \& Parking |  |  |
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| Page 33 Item: 1 | Floor Condition | - Moderate cracks noted on the floor at time of inspection. <br> - Minor settlement of the floor was noted at time of inspection. <br> - See photos. |
| Page 34 Item: 2 | Walls \& Ceiling | - Walls have been covered with drywall. <br> - Cracks are moderate. Periodic monitoring is recommended. <br> - See photos. |
| Roof |  |  |
| Page 37 Item: 1 | Gutters \& Downspouts | - Rust damage observed on the metal roof gutters. <br> - Gutters appear to be leaking at the seams. <br> - Recommend re-routing the downspouts to drain away from the building. Excess moisture near the foundation may cause settlement and foundation problems. <br> - See photos. |
| Foundation \& Crawlspace |  |  |
| Page 39 Item: 3 | Crawlspace Ventilation | - It should be mentioned that at least one of the foundation vent openings is even with adjacent grade. This could be a source of water entry into the crawl area. Suggest improvements. Damaged screens noted at foundation opening. Install at this time to prevent animal entry. <br> - See photos. |
| Page 40 Item: 4 | Foundation Wall Condition | - Moderate to significant settlement cracks noted on the foundation stem walls at one or more location. Cracks do not appear to be significant at this time. <br> - Evidence of present water penetration is noted. <br> - Evidence of prior water penetration is noted. <br> - Efflorescence observed on walls indicates the presence of periodic moisture. <br> - A Structural Engineer should be called to make further evaluation and recommendations as needed prior to the close of your transaction. <br> - Approved sealant should be applied properly to all foundation cracks (see sample photo). For a FREE foundation retrofit guide, go to: <br> https://inspectaproperty.com/downloads <br> - Metal strapping should be considered foundation cracks (see sample photo) for additional structural support. For a FREE foundation retrofit guide, go to: <br> https://inspectaproperty.com/downloads |


| Page 40 Item: 5 | Other Observations | - Floor/foundation settlement was measured throughout the house using a ZipLevel Pro altimeter at time of inspection. See photo. There appears to be significant settlement of the floor/foundation at the east side of the house, at the living room/family room and south bedroom areas. Normal settlement is generally between $0-3 / 4$ inches within a 10 foot span from zero/base. In this case, settlement of up to 2 5/8 inches was measured. Cracks were also observed throughout the walls and ceilings in the same areas of the settlement. Further evaluation by a licensed structural engineer is recommended. <br> - Expansive soils appear to be present in this property. Movement of the house structure should be expected during excessively wet or dry periods of weather. <br> You can read more about expansive soils at: <br> https://inspectaproperty.com/blog/f/expansive-soil-what-you-should-know |
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| Living \& Dining Room |  |  |
| Page 46 Item: 1 | Walls \& Ceilings Condition | - Typical cracks noted. <br> - Cracks above doors and/or windows noted. <br> - See Photos. |
| Bedrooms |  |  |
| Page 49 Item: 2 | Walls \& Ceilings Condition | - Significant cracks noted at time of inspection. <br> - Typical cracks noted. <br> - Cracks above doors and/or windows noted. <br> - See Photos. |
| Page 51 Item: 4 | Floor Condition | - Floor is visibly unleveled. Further evaluation is recommended. <br> - See photos. |
| Bathrooms |  |  |
| Page 53 Item: 3 | Walls \& Ceilings Condition | - Typical cracks noted. <br> - See Photos. |
| Kitchen |  |  |
| Page 55 Item: 1 | Floor Condition | - Flooring is damaged or deteriorated. Repair or replacement is recommended. <br> - See photos. |
| Hallway |  |  |
| Page 56 Item: 1 | Doors \& Windows Condition | - Door jamb is damaged or broken. Repair or replacement is recommended. <br> - See photos. |
| Page 56 Item: 2 | Walls \& Ceilings Condition | - Significant cracks noted at time of inspection. <br> - Cracks above doors and/or windows noted. <br> - See Photos. |

## Pool \& Spa

| Page 58 Item: 1 | Pool Surface | - Cracks noted on the pool surface. <br> - Cracks appear significant and may be caused by soil <br> settlement due to inadequate hillside coverage and <br> significant hillside soil erosion. See deck comments and <br> photos. Determining underground leaks is beyond the scope <br> of this inspection. Further evaluation by a licensed pool <br> contractor is recommended. |
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## Inspection Details

1. Your Inspector

Inspector: Tony Escamilla • Joshua Escamilla
2. Weather Conditions

Materials: 60-70 Degrees.
Observations:

- Clear and sunny.
- Rain activity within the last 7 days prior to the inspection.

3. Parties Present

In Attendance: Homeowner present. - Tenants were present.

## 4. Occupied?

Occupancy: Yes.
5. Building Faces

Materials: West •
6. Building Type

Home Type: Single Family Residence

## 7. Stories

Materials: One

## 8. Space Below Grade

Materials: Crawl space
9. Utilities Status

Materials: All the utilities were on at time of inspection.

## 10. Pool/Spa Present

Materials: Pool was present.

## 11. Other Information

Observations:

- LIMITED INSPECTION: This inspection is limited to only certain areas of the structure \& property and does not constitute a full inspection. Only the following areas were inspected, at the request of the client:

Foundation of the house, structural evaluation of settlement of the house, pool, and deck areas only.

## Exterior Areas

## 1. Driveway and Walkway Condition

Materials: Wood and stone walkways noted. • Concrete, gravel and stone walkways noted. Observations:

- Walkway is damaged or broken. This may pose a trip hazard. Repair or replacement is recommended.
- Portions of the walkway are missing. Repair or replacement is recommended.
- See photo.



2. Fence \& Walls Condition

## Materials: Block wall

Observations:

- Moderate cracks noted on the block wall.



## 3. Grading \& Site Drainage

Materials: Site has a gentle slope. • Site has a moderate slope. $\cdot$ The area where the structures are constructed is sloped.

## Observations:

- Signs of poor drainage observed at the West side of the property.
- Evidence of pooling water was observed at time of inspection.
- Planter areas near the house do not have a drainage system installed and retain water when it rains. This excess moisture, near the foundation of the house, can cause damage. Installation of a drainage system is recommended.
- See photos.


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## 4. Exterior Wall Condition

## Materials: Wood frame.

## Materials: Stucco.

Observations:

- Cracks noted are moderate and may indicate foundation movement due to seismic activity or settlement.
- Cracks were noted on the walls.
- Paint finish is deteriorated or flaking. Repainting is recommended to prevent moisture damaged.
- Evidence of continual splashing was observed on the walls, due to lack of roof gutters. Over time, this may cause moisture damage and penetration.
- See photos.







## Porch, Patios \& Decks

## 1. Porches Observations

Materials: Concrete. • Tile
Materials: Wood • Stucco
Observations:

- Cover Condition:
- No visible problems observed at time of inspection.
- Floor Condition:
- Minor settlement noted.
- See photos.



2. Patios Observations

Materials: Tile
Materials: None.


## 3. Decks \& Balconies Observations

Floor Materials: Wood • Wood railing. • Iron railing.
Cover Materials: None Observations:

- Hand or guard railing is loose or damaged. Repair or replacement is necessary.
- Hand or guard railing is too wide and may allow a small child to fall through. Upgrades are recommended, but may not be required.
- The wood deck was evaluated at part of this inspection, from the underside of the deck and by using a ZipLevel Pro altimeter.

1) Significant floor settlement was measured at the north east side of the deck.
2) General practice for a cantilevered section of deck/balcony is for the cantilever to be no more than $1 / 4$ the length of the full span of the deck or balcony. In this case, the deck span at the north side of the property is 16 feet. The span of the cantilever is 6 ft . this is the area that has significant floor settlement. The most span this area should have is approximately 3 feet. See photos.
3) Moderate to significant moisture damage was observe on the floor joists throughout the underside of the deck from lack of regular maintenance.
4) The rim joist at the north side of the deck is loose and falling off.
5) The hand railings at the north side of the deck are visibly loose.
6) The railing palusters are too far apart and may allow a small child or pet to fall through. Current standards are for the balusters to be no more than 4 inches apart.
7) Significant soil erosion was observed on the east hillside, under the deck. Wooden boards have been installed under the deck to prevent soil erosion. However, these measures are grossly inadequate and the boards have collapsed. Erosion is likely caused by the lack of vegetation cover.
8) Soil has eroded significantly under the several concrete piers. One pier and post are visibly leaning.
9) Structural beams are inadequately secured to the concrete base and are only secured to the adjacent beam with a metal strap.
10) Cracks observed on the south concrete deck/foundation.
11) See pool comments and photos.

Further evaluation by a licensed structural engineer is recommend.


## Zero base.

Significant settlement within a 10 foot span.


Significant settlement within a 10 foot span.



Significant settlement within a 10 foot span.


Zero base


Significant settlement within a 10 foot span.


Significant settlement within a 10 foot span.


Zero base



Significant settlement within a 10 foot span.


Zero base


Zero base


Deck measures 16 ft in depth at the north side. 6 Foot cantilever


6 foot cantilever


10 ft span between supports


6 ft cantilever


Southeast deck


South deck not extended

Significant soil erosion under concrete pier supporting the deck


Significant soil erosion under the deck at the FR



Significant soil erosion under concrete pier supporting the deck


Inadequate hillside coverage. Evidence of significant soil erosion


Significant soil erosion under the deck at the supports.


Significant soil erosion under the deck at the supports.


Significant soil erosion under the deck at the supports.


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Significant soil erosion under the deck at the supports.


Significant soil erosion under the deck at the supports.


Significant soil erosion under the deck at the supports.


Significant soil erosion under the deck at the supports. Support is visibly leaning.


Inadequate connection to concrete support


Disconnected site drainage pipe
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Rot damage. Rim joist is falling off.



Moisture \& rot damage

Fascla boards falling off


Moisture \& rot damage


Soil erosion prevention boards collapsed.
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Significant soil erosion


Soil erosion prevention boards collapsed.


Improper 6 ft cantilever


Significant soil erosion


Inadequate connection to concrete support


Improper soil erosion prevention measures


Soil erosion prevention boards collapsed.


Significant floor settlement


Significant soil erosion


Significant floor settlement


Loose railings

## Garage, Carport \& Parking

## 1. Floor Condition

Observations:

- Moderate cracks noted on the floor at time of inspection.
- Minor settlement of the floor was noted at time of inspection.
- See photos.



2. Walls \& Ceiling

Observations:

- Walls have been covered with drywall.
- Cracks are moderate. Periodic monitoring is recommended.


The foregoing is an opinion of the general quality and condition of the roofing material. The inspector cannot and does not offer an opinion or warranty as to whether the roof leaks or may be subject to future leakage. This report is issued in consideration of the foregoing disclaimer. The only way to determine whether a roof is absolutely water tight is to observe it during a prolonged rainfall. Many times, this situation is not present during the inspection.

## Roof

## 1. Gutters \& Downspouts

Materials: Metal.
Observations:

- Rust damage observed on the metal roof gutters.
- Gutters appear to be leaking at the seams.
- Recommend re-routing the downspouts to drain away from the building. Excess moisture near the foundation may cause settlement and foundation problems.
- See photos.


This report describes the foundation, floor, wall, ceiling and roof structures and the method used to inspect any accessible under floor crawlspace areas. Inspectors inspect and probe the structural components of the home, including the foundation and framing, where deterioration is suspected or where clear indications of possible deterioration exist. Probing is not done when doing so will damage finished surfaces or when no deterioration is visible or presumed to exist. Inspectors are not required to offer an opinion as to the structural adequacy of any structural systems or components or provide architectural services or an engineering or structural analysis of any kind. Despite all efforts, it is impossible for a home inspection to provide any guaranty that the foundation, and the overall structure and structural elements of the building is sound.

## Foundation \& Crawlspace

## 1. Type of Foundation

Materials: Poured Concrete. •Raised foundation with crawlspace access.

## 2. Crawlspace Accessibility

Materials: Robot crawled under the structure • Access Location:South Side of Structure, East Side of Structure
Observations:

- Unable to fully inspect the south crawlspace area due to trash and debris throughout the crawlspace. Further evaluation is recommended after the potential hazards have been removed.
- Access panel is functional.


## 3. Crawlspace Ventilation

Observations:

- It should be mentioned that at least one of the foundation vent openings is even with adjacent grade. This could be a source of water entry into the crawl area. Suggest improvements. Damaged screens noted at foundation opening. Install at this time to prevent animal entry.
- See photos.



## 4. Foundation Wall Condition

Observations:

- Anchor bolts are not visible due to the type of floor framing. Unable to determine the presence of anchor bolting.
- Moderate to significant settlement cracks noted on the foundation stem walls at one or more location. Cracks do not appear to be significant at this time.
- Evidence of present water penetration is noted.
- Evidence of prior water penetration is noted.
- Efflorescence observed on walls indicates the presence of periodic moisture.
- A Structural Engineer should be called to make further evaluation and recommendations as needed prior to the close of your transaction.
- Approved sealant should be applied properly to all foundation cracks (see sample photo). For a

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## 5. Other Observations

## Observations:

- Floor/foundation settlement was measured throughout the house using a ZipLevel Pro altimeter at time of inspection. See photo. There appears to be significant settlement of the floor/foundation at the east side of the house, at the living room/family room and south bedroom areas. Normal settlement is generally between $0-3 / 4$ inches within a 10 foot span from zero/base. In this case, settlement of up to $25 / 8$ inches was measured. Cracks were also observed throughout the walls and ceilings in the same areas of the settlement. Further evaluation by a licensed structural engineer is recommended.
- Expansive soils appear to be present in this property. Movement of the house structure should be expected during excessively wet or dry periods of weather.
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Significant settlement within 10 foot from zero.


Normal


Normal

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Zero point, bedroom.


South bedroom. Significant settlement within 10 foot from zero.


Living/family room. Significant settlement within 10 foot from zero.


## Abnormal settlement within 10 foot from zero.



## Abnormal settlement within 10 foot from zero.



Normal


Normal


Normal


Normal


Normal


Front entrance, normal


Zero, base point


## Living \& Dining Room

1. Walls \& Ceilings Condition

Materials: Drywall.
Observations:

- Typical cracks noted.
- Cracks above doors and/or windows noted.
- See Photos.





## 2. Floor Condition

Materials: Wood.

## Bedrooms

## 1. Location

Materials: Location \#1: South, Master Bedroom • Location \#2: South West
2. Walls \& Ceilings Condition

Materials: Drywall.
Observations:

- Significant cracks noted at time of inspection.
- Typical cracks noted.
- Cracks above doors and/or windows noted.
- See Photos.


Master



Master closet


## 3. Closet Condition



Southwest bedroom closet

## 4. Floor Condition

Materials: Carpet.
Observations:

- Floor is visibly unleveled. Further evaluation is recommended.
- See photos.



## Bathrooms

## 1. Location

Materials: Location \#1: Master Bathroom
2. Sink \& Vanity Condition


Master



Master

## 3. Walls \& Ceilings Condition

Materials: Drywall.
Observations:

- Typical cracks noted.
- See Photos.



## Kitchen

## 1. Floor Condition

Materials: Tile.
Observations:

- Flooring is damaged or deteriorated. Repair or replacement is recommended.
- See photos.



## Hallway

## 1. Doors \& Windows Condition

Observations:

- Door jamb is damaged or broken. Repair or replacement is recommended.
- See photos.



## 2. Walls \& Ceilings Condition

Materials: Drywall.
Observations:

- Significant cracks noted at time of inspection.
- Cracks above doors and/or windows noted.
- See Photos.




## Pool \& Spa

## 1. Pool Surface

Materials: Concrete and plaster. Observations:

- Cracks noted on the pool surface.
- Cracks appear significant and may be caused by soil settlement due to inadequate hillside coverage and significant hillside soil erosion. See deck comments and photos. Determining underground leaks is beyond the scope of this inspection. Further evaluation by a licensed pool contractor is recommended.


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## Glossary

| Term | Definition |
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| Baluster | The vertical members in a railing installed between the top rail <br> and bottom rail or stair treads. |
| Efflorescence | A white powder that forms on the surface of concrete/masonry <br> walls as a result of water evaporation. |
| Fascia | The band running horizontally and positioned vertically under a <br> roof edge, or that which forms the outer surface of a cornice. <br> Fascia board caps the rafter ends of a roof structure and may be <br> used to hold a gutter. The area below the fascia may be referred <br> to as the eave. |

