

Memorandum

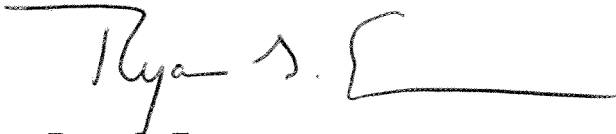


Date: May 2, 2008

To: Dr. Elba Garcia, Chair
and Members of the Public Safety Committee

Subject: Fire Reports

The Public Safety Committee will be briefed on Fire Reports on May 5, 2008.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ryan S. Evans'.

Ryan S. Evans
First Assistant City Manager

Attachments

Public Safety Committee

Fire Report

March 2008

DATE	ADDRESS	TYPE	CAUSE	LOSS/ INSURED?	ALARMS
1. 02/04/2008	606 S. Good Latimer Expwy.	1-Story Metal Commercial	Homeless person tried to use fire to strip wires	\$10,080.00	Two Alarms
2. 03/02/2008	3130 Lombardy Lane	2-Story Brick Apartments	Careless Smoking	\$35,000.00 Yes	One Alarm w/Injuries
3. 03/14/2008	7751 E. R. L. Thornton Frwy., #254	2-Story Brick Apartments	Electrical Short Fixed Wiring	\$84,000.00 Yes	Three Alarms
4. 03/21/2008	10700 Woodmeadow Pkwy., #320	3-Story Brick Apartments	Undetermined	\$26,500.00 Yes	Two Alarms
5. 03/22/2008	4055 Frankford Rd., #1412	2-Story Brick Apartments	Careless Smoking	\$114,000.00 Yes	Two Alarms
6. 03/27/2008	2900 Dilido Rd., #1211	3-Story Brick Apartments	Careless Discarded Heat Source	\$63,600.00 Yes	Two Alarms/ Fatality
7. 03/29/2008	7905 Marvin D. Love Frwy., #2011	2-Story Brick Apartments	Child with Heat Source	\$74,500.00 Yes	Two Alarms
8. 03/31/2008	9170 Forest Lane #238	2-Story Brick Condominiums	Unspecified Electrical	\$205,000.00 Yes	Three Alarms/ Multiple Injuries

Two Alarm Fire

Date of Fire:	02/04/2008
Time of Fire	05:22 AM
Incident Number	2008-22418
Response Time	2:36 Minutes
Location	606 S. Good-Latimer Expwy
Bldg. Type	1-Story Metal Commercial
Owner	City of Dallas
Occupant	Vacant
Council District	14
Cause	Homeless person tried to use fire to strip wires
Damage Estimate	\$10,080.00
Narrative	<p>This accidental fire was caused by combustibles too close to a heat source. Evidence at the scene indicated that insulation of copper wiring had been burned and that the structure was not secured, and had been inhabited by homeless individuals. Homeless individuals at the scene confirmed that copper wiring was being burned at the location.</p>

One Alarm Fire (Multiple Injuries)

Date of Fire:	03/02/2008		
Time of Fire	05:15 AM		
Incident Number	2008-40656		
Response Time	2:10 Minutes		
Location	3130 Lombardy Ln., #1129		
Bldg. Type	2-Story Brick Apartments		
Owner	GR Canyon Creek LP.		
Occupant	Enrique Ariaga		
Council District	6		
Cause	Careless Smoking		
Value/ Damage Estimate		<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>
	Building:	\$300,000	\$20,000
	Content:	<u>\$ 20,000</u>	<u>\$15,000</u>
	TOTAL:	\$320,000	\$35,000
Narrative	<p>This accidental fire was caused by careless smoking. A dropped cigarette ignited the couch in the living room of this first floor apartment. The fire caused severe fire and smoke damage to the front of the apartment and forced the eight occupants to evacuate through the rear sliding door and rear windows of the apartment. Francisco Ariaga, a 43 year old Hispanic male, asleep on this sofa suffered second and third degree burns to his upper torso, lacerations to his legs and smoke inhalation. Paula Villegas, a 29 year old Hispanic female, Sandra Gallardo, a 10 year old Hispanic female, and Jessica Gallardo, a 4 year old Hispanic female suffered from smoke inhalation. All four victims were transported to Parkland for treatment. This apartment had a smoke detector, but it was not operational at the time of the fire.</p>		

Three Alarm Fire

Date of Fire:	03/14/2008													
Time of Fire	08:35 AM													
Incident Number	2008-48609													
Response Time	1:31 Minutes													
Location	7751 E. R. L. Thornton Frwy., #254													
Bldg. Type	2-Story Brick Apartments													
Owner	La Arboleda LLC													
Occupant	Vacant													
Council District	7													
Cause	Electrical Short Fixed Wiring													
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	<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>												
Building:	\$167,000	\$80,000												
Content:	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	<u>\$40,000</u>												
TOTAL:	\$207,000	\$120,000												
Narrative	<p>This accidental fire was caused by an unspecified electrical short in the fixed wiring of the second floor vacant apartment. The fire started inside the wall above the dishwasher between the kitchen and bathroom. This building has aluminum wiring. Fire spread to the attic and collapsed the roof of this building. The first floor units sustained considerable water damage. One Dallas Firefighter suffered from fatigue and was transported to Baylor Hospital, treated and released.</p>													

Two Alarm Fire

Date of Fire:	3/21/2008		
Time of Fire	01:46 PM		
Incident Number	2008-53722		
Response Time	4:43 Minutes		
Location	10700 Woodmeadow Pkwy., #320		
Bldg. Type	3-Story Brick Apartments		
Owner	DHEOP LLC.		
Occupant	David Placey		
Council District	9		
Cause	Undetermined		
Value/ Damage Estimate		<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>
	Building:	\$350,000	\$25,000
	Content:	\$ 42,000	\$ 1,500
	TOTAL:	\$392,000	\$26,500
Narrative	<p>The cause of this fire is undetermined and still under investigation. The fire started on the rear exterior patio of the first floor apartment and traveled through the second floor and to the third floor balconies causing damage to all three apartments.</p>		

Two Alarm Fire

Date of Fire:	3/22/2008		
Time of Fire	03:46 PM		
Incident Number	2008-54479		
Response Time	2:05 Minutes		
Location	4055 Frankford Rd., #1412		
Bldg. Type	2-Story Brick Apartments		
Owner	BEL-EQR III LP.		
Occupant	Kerry Hall		
Council District	12		
Cause	Carelessly Discarded Smoking Material		
Value/ Damage Estimate		<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>
	Building:	\$5,618,000	\$100,000
	Content:	\$ 80,000	\$ 14,000
	TOTAL:	\$5,698,000	\$114,000
Narrative	<p>This accidental fire was caused by the careless discard of smoking material on the patio of this first floor apartment. Fire quickly spread after igniting combustible material stored on the patio. Fire damaged eight apartment units in this building.</p>		

Two Alarm Fire

Date of Fire:	3/27/2008		
Time of Fire	00:32 AM		
Incident Number	2008-57217		
Response Time	2:14 Minutes		
Location	2900 Dilido Rd., #1211		
Bldg. Type	3-Story Brick Apartments		
Owner	MRI Chenault CR Inv Fu LP.		
Occupant	Vacant		
Council District	7		
Cause	Careless Discarded Heat Source		
Value/ Damage Estimate		<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>
	Building:	\$4,749,997	\$50,000
	Vehicle:	\$ 3,000	\$ 600
	Content:	<u>\$ 15,000</u>	<u>\$13,000</u>
	TOTAL:	\$4,767,997	\$63,600
Narrative	<p>This accidental fire was caused by the careless discard of an unspecified heat source. High winds contributed to this fire, which started on the outside of this apartment building near the chimney. The heat source was discarded next to this chimney and with the help of the high winds the fire traveled up through the chimney and into the attic of the apartment building. Fire damaged six apartment units. The heaviest damage was to the third floor units. A motor vehicle was also exposed to fire and received damage.</p>		

Two Alarm Fire (Fatality)

Date of Fire:	3/30/2008		
Time of Fire	00:53 AM		
Incident Number	2008-59194		
Response Time	5:07 Minutes		
Location	7905 Marvin D. Love Frwy., #2011		
Bldg. Type	2-Story Brick Apartments		
Owner	Carleton Residential Properties		
Occupant	Kimberly Butler		
Council District	8		
Cause	Child with Heat Source (Candle)		
Value/ Damage Estimate		<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>
	Building:	\$350,000	\$30,000
	Content:	\$100,000	\$44,500
	TOTAL:	\$450,000	\$74,500
Narrative	<p>This accidental fire was started by a child with a heat source. Examination of the fire scene revealed that this fire started on the sofa in the living room which was ignited by a candle. Fire damaged three other apartment units. Jameria Picot, a 2-year old black female was pronounced dead at the scene by the Medical Examiner, the autopsy is still pending. Kimberly Butler, the victim's mother, a 25 year old black female sustained minor burns and suffered from smoke inhalation in an attempt to rescue her other children. Fire damage to the apartment was so severe that Investigators could not determine if the apartment had a smoke detector, working or otherwise.</p>		

Three Alarm Fire (Multiple Injuries)

Date of Fire:	3/31/2008		
Time of Fire	11:08 AM		
Incident Number	2008-60109		
Response Time	3:23 Minutes		
Location	9170 Forest Lane, #238		
Bldg. Type	2-Story Brick Condominiums		
Owner	Okpular Benedick		
Occupant	Okpular Benedick		
Council District	13		
Cause	Unspecified Electrical		
Value/ Damage Estimate		<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>
	Building:	\$300,000	\$175,000
	Content:	<u>\$220,000</u>	<u>\$ 16,000</u>
	TOTAL:	\$520,000	\$191,000
Narrative	<p>This accidental fire was caused by an unspecified short circuit in the fixed wiring in the attic area above this condominium. Fire quickly spread past the fire wall causing damage to eleven units of the condominiums. Two Firefighters were injured at this fire. Firefighter Albert Garcia suffered from smoke inhalation, and Firefighter Rex Pettus sustained a burn on his neck. Both Firefighters were transported to Presbyterian Hospital, treated and released.</p>		

Public Safety Committee

Fire Report

April 2008

DATE	ADDRESS	TYPE	CAUSE	LOSS/ INSURED?	ALARMS
1. 04/14/2008	2919 Bardwell Avenue	1-Story FR Residence	Careless Use of Candles	\$28,000.00 unknown	One Alarm
2. 04/14/2008	4626 San Jacinto Street, #D	2-Story FR Apartments	Incendiary	\$67,500.00 Yes	Two Alarms
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One Alarm Fire (Fatality)

Date of Fire:	04/14/08		
Time of Fire	05:18 AM		
Incident Number	2008-097087		
Response Time	2:15 Minutes		
Location	2928 Bardwell Avenue		
Bldg. Type	1-Story Wood Frame Dwelling		
Owner	Velma Miller		
Occupant	Velma Miller		
Council District	4		
Cause	Careless Use of Candles		
Value/ Damage Estimate		<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>
	Building:	\$34,000	\$20,000
	Content:	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
	Vehicle:	<u>\$ 3,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,000</u>
	TOTAL:	\$44,000	\$28,000
Narrative	<p>This accidental fire was caused by the careless use of candles. Electrical service at this residence had been discontinued and candles were being used as a lighting source. This fire started in the living room and destroyed the front portion of this single family residence. Velma Miller, a 76 year old black female, was pronounced dead at the scene by the Medical Examiner. Autopsy results are still pending at this time. The residence had two battery operated smoke detectors. The detector in the front of the house was destroyed by the fire, and the one in the bedroom did not have a battery. The owner/occupant's vehicle, a 2004 GMC, was also exposed to the fire and sustained damages.</p>		

Two Alarm Fire

Date of Fire:	04/15/08													
Time of Fire	01:53 PM													
Incident Number	2008-70431													
Response Time	2:06 Minutes													
Location	4626 San Jacinto Street, #D													
Bldg. Type	2-Story Frame Apartments													
Owner	Joe Keovixay													
Occupant	Vanh Keovixay													
Council District	2													
Cause	Incendiary													
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Content:	\$ 40,000	\$27,500												
TOTAL:	\$283,000	\$67,500												
Narrative	<p>This incendiary fire was caused by person or persons unknown. There are no witnesses or suspects at this time and this fire is still under investigation. Three separate fires were discovered at this scene. It is unknown if the occupancy had a smoke detector, working or otherwise.</p>													

