

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE: October 10, 2014,

TO: Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee:
Sheffie Kadane (Chair), Adam Medrano (Vice Chair), Dwaine Caraway, Jennifer S. Gates,
Sandy Greyson, Scott Griggs

SUBJECT: **Administrative (Fire) Reports**

On Monday, October 13, 2014, you will be briefed on the Administrative (Fire) Reports. The materials are attached for your review.

This is an informational memo to provide the Public Safety Committee with a brief description of fire reports for August 24, 2014 – September 30, 2014.

During this period, the following significant fires occurred:

<u>Multiple Alarm Level</u>	<u>Totals</u>
2-Alarm	2

There was 1 (one) civilian fatality, and 9 (nine) civilian injuries that occurred as a result of fire incidents.

Eric D. Campbell
Assistant City Manager

Attachment

c: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
A.C. Gonzalez, City Manager
Warren M.S. Ernst, City Attorney
Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor
Rosa A. Rios, City Secretary
Daniel F. Solis, Administrative Judge
Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager

Jill A. Jordan, P.E., Assistant City Manager
Mark McDaniel, Assistant City Manager
Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager
Jeanne Chipperfield, Chief Financial Officer
Sana Syed, Public Information Officer
Elsa Cantu, Assistant to the City Manager – Mayor & Council

Public Safety Committee

Fire Report

August-September (October) 2014

DATE	ADDRESS	COUNCIL DISTRICT	TYPE	CAUSE	LOSS/INSURED	ALARMS
1. 08/24/14	5215 Westgrove Place	District 11	1 ½-Story Brick Dwelling	Undetermined	\$1,224,660.00 Unknown	2 Alarms
2. 08/26/14	1612 Champagne Drive	District 4	1-Story Brick Dwelling	Accidental	\$200,000.00 Unknown	1 Alarm 6 Injuries
3. 08/26/14	7900 Churchill Way #14313	District 11	4-Story Frame Dwelling	Accidental	\$4,000.00 Unknown	1 Alarm 1 Injury
4. 09/18/14	9999 Walnut Street	District 10	2-Story Brick Apartments	Accidental	\$22,500.00 Unknown	1 Alarm 1 Injury
5. 09/25/14	400 Crescent Court	District 14	7-Story Masonry Hotel	Accidental	\$2,000.00 Unknown	2 Alarms
6. 09/25/14	2850 S. Beltline Rd.	District 8	Injury	Incendiary	\$0.00	1 Alarm 1 Injury
7. 09/30/14	4821 Ashbrook Rd.	District 7	1-Story Brick Dwelling	Undetermined	\$35,000.00 Unknown	1 Alarm 1 Death

Two Alarm Fire

Date of Fire:	August 24, 2014	Time of Fire	11:12 PM												
Incident Number	2014-177201	Response Time	4 Min. 46 Sec.												
Location	5215 Westgrove Place	Service Area	North Central												
Bldg. Type	1 ½-Story Brick Dwelling	Council District	11												
Owner	Lamarsuade, Christophe	Injuries (Firefighter/ Civilian)	N/A												
Occupant/ Business Name	Lamarsuade, Christophe														
Fire Alarm System	Yes	Operational	Unknown												
Cause	Undetermined														
Value/ Damage Estimate	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 15%;"></th> <th style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><u>Value</u></th> <th style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><u>Damage</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Building:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$824,660.00</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$824,660.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Content:</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$400,000.00</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$400,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">\$1,224,660.00</td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">\$1,224,660.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>	Building:	\$824,660.00	\$824,660.00	Content:	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00	TOTAL	\$1,224,660.00	\$1,224,660.00		
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Content:	\$400,000.00	\$400,000.00													
TOTAL	\$1,224,660.00	\$1,224,660.00													
Narrative	<p>The cause of this fire is undetermined. The extent of the damage that this structure received from both the fire itself and the water streams applied during extinguishment eliminated the possibility of identifying the "point of origin" and a reliable ignition source. The "area of origin" may be the rear of the structure as neighbors reported that the initial flames came from the C-side. The roof collapsed while the fire was being extinguished which made the building structurally unsafe for investigators to conduct a thorough investigation. The owner stated that three canines and two cats were among the pets that were left inside of the structure prior to the family leaving for a concert at approximately 5:00 PM before the incident. Engine 10 was the first responding company. Insurance information is unknown. This fire remains under investigation.</p>														

One Alarm Fire (Six Injuries)

Date of Fire:	August 26, 2014	Time of Fire	6:04 AM
Incident Number	2014-178158	Response Time	2 Min. 50 Sec.
Location	1612 Champagne Drive	Service Area	Southwest
Bldg. Type	1-Story Brick Dwelling	Council District	4
Owner	Alberto Rodriguez	Injuries (Firefighter/ Civilian)	Six Civilian Injuries
Occupant/ Business Name	Alberto Rodriguez		
Fire Alarm System	Unknown	Operational	N/A
Cause	Accidental		
Value/ Damage Estimate	<u>Value</u>	<u>Damage</u>	
	Building: \$102,000.00	\$102,000.00	
	Content: \$98,000.00	\$98,000.00	
	TOTAL \$200,000.00	\$200,000.00	
Narrative	<p>This is an accidental fire that is the result of a natural gas leak which caused the subsequent explosion in this structure. The explosion and ensuing fire caused extensive damage to this residence and its contents as the walls, roof, and structural members were splintered and shattered as the structure was totally demolished by the blast. Debris was thrown considerable distances and as a result, investigators were unable to determine the point of origin. The adult victim assisted her two daughters to safety as her three male children all assisted each other during their escape. All six victims were transported to Parkland Hospital where they were treated for injuries including, burns, smoke inhalation, or face abrasions. Engine 33 was the first responding company. Insurance information is unknown.</p>		

One Alarm Fire (One Injury)

Date of Fire:	August 26, 2014	Time of Fire	3:24PM												
Incident Number	2014-178470	Response Time	6 Min. 45 Sec.												
Location	7900 Churchill Way #14313	Service Area	North Central												
Bldg. Type	4-Story Frame Apartment	Council District	11												
Owner	SPUS6 MARQUIS LLC	Injuries (Firefighter/ Civilian)	One Civilian Injury												
Occupant/ Business Name	Shanthi Shyamsumder														
Fire Alarm System	Yes	Operational	Yes												
Cause	Accidental														
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Building:	\$27,073,390.00	\$0.00													
Content:	\$15,000.00	\$4,000.00													
TOTAL	\$27,088,390.00	\$4,000.00													
Narrative	<p>This is an accidental fire that resulted from unattended cooking. Oil in a pan that overheated on the stove-top ignited which actuated the sprinkler system. The hot oil then boiled over when it mixed with the water from the sprinkler head. The victim, who was making an attempt to turn off the burner, received burns to her right hand and left foot as result. The victim was not transported but sought care at her primary care physician. The structure did not receive any damage; however, several content items received damage from the small fire. Engine 28 was the first responding company. Insurance information is unknown.</p>														

One Alarm Fire (One Injury)

Date of Fire:	September 18, 2014	Time of Fire	6:43 PM												
Incident Number	2014-195928	Response Time	4 Min. 56 Sec.												
Location	9999 Walnut St. #2061	Service Area	Northeast												
Bldg. Type	2-Story Frame Apartments	Council District	10												
Owner	Richland Village	Injuries (Firefighter/ Civilian)	One Firefighter Injury												
Occupant/ Business Name	Dorcas Zannou														
Fire Alarm System	Yes	Operational	Yes												
Cause	Accidental														
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Content:	\$5,000.00	\$2,500.00													
TOTAL	\$127,936.38	\$22,500.00													
Narrative	<p>This is an accidental fire that originated in the kitchen on the stovetop. The fire originated on the right front burner and caused heavy damage after traveling into the attic. A firefighter sustained an ankle injury setting up for the fire outside of the structure and was transported by Rescue 29 to Presbyterian Hospital. Insurance information is unknown. Engine 28 was the first responding company.</p>														

Two Alarm Fire

Date of Fire:	September 25, 2014	Time of Fire	08:04												
Incident Number	2014-200809	Response Time	1 Min. 55 Sec.												
Location	400 Crescent Court	Service Area	Central												
Bldg. Type	7-Story Masonry Hotel	Council District	14												
Owner	Rosewood Hotels	Injuries (Firefighter/ Civilian)	N/A												
Occupant/ Business Name	Rosewood Crescent Hotel														
Fire Alarm System	Yes	Operational	Yes												
Cause	Accidental														
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TOTAL	\$12,000,000.00	\$2,000.00													
Narrative	<p>This is an accidental fire that originated in the laundry room of this seven-story masonry hotel. The cause was determined to be an accumulation of lint that was ignited by heat from the exhaust duct of a dryer. The fire damage was contained to the exhaust duct and adjacent pipe insulation. The employees did make an attempt to extinguish the fire with dry chemical extinguishers. Insurance information is unknown. Engine 18 was the first responding company.</p>														

One Alarm Fire (One Injury)

Date of Fire:	September 25, 2014	Time of Fire	8:36 PM												
Incident Number	2014-201334	Response Time	4 Min. 54 Sec.												
Location	2850 South Beltline Rd #121	Service Area	Southeast												
Bldg. Type	Mobile Home	Council District	8												
Owner	Shanice Peters	Injuries (Firefighter/ Civilian)	One Civilian Injury												
Occupant/ Business Name	Shanice Peters														
Fire Alarm System	No	Operational	N/A												
Cause	Incendiary														
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Narrative	<p>This is an incendiary fire that occurred when the victim poured gasoline on her pants and ignited the pants with a cigarette lighter. A neighbor helped the victim by covering the victim with a blanket and pouring water on her. The victim stated that she was depressed and as a result of her injuries, sustained 2nd and 3rd degree burns to her leg, upper chest, neck, and face. Engine 9 was the first responding company.</p>														

One Alarm Fire (One Fire Death)

Date of Fire:	September 30, 2014	Time of Fire	11:39 PM												
Incident Number	2014-205176	Response Time	3 Min. 51 Sec.												
Location	4821 Ashbrook Rd	Service Area	Southeast												
Bldg. Type	1-Story Brick Dwelling	Council District	7												
Owner	Jerald Hinton	Injuries (Firefighter/ Civilian)	One Civilian Fire Death												
Occupant/ Business Name	Ketrick Hinton														
Fire Alarm System	No	Operational	N/A												
Cause	Undetermined														
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Content:	\$9,000.00	\$5,000.00													
TOTAL	\$112,270.00	\$35,000.00													
Narrative	<p>This is an undetermined fire. Arriving fire companies were immediately notified that there was possibly a victim inside. The occupants stated that they used candles for light and that there were no utilities. The occupants also stated that they were all outside talking when they heard a smoke detector "chirping". One of the occupants went inside to investigate but never returned. The origin of the fire most probably started in the bedroom, in or around the bed. The bedroom sustained major fire damage before it traveled down the hallway. The fire cause will remain undetermined pending the outcome of the medical examiner's report. Engine 32 was the first responding company.</p>														