

**LAFD****SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT SUMMARY****Emergency Public Information Center**BFC # **08-097**Meeting Date **6/17/2008****6/24/2008 TO 6/30/2008****7/15/08**

INCIDENT DATE	INC. TIME	ADDRESS	COUNCIL	INCIDENT TYPE	F.S.	FIRE COMPANIES	TOTAL F/F'S	TOTAL R.A.S	OUTSIDE AGENCIES	F/F INJURIES	CIV. FATALITY	DOLLAR LOSS	TIME TO CONTROL
6/26/2008	8:07 AM	117 E. Winston St.	9	Greater Alarm Structure Fire	9	10	73	4		0	0	Still Being Tabulated	0 hours, 33 min.
	INC. #	F/F FATALITY								INCIDENT DURATION			
	0261	Fashion District								0			4 hours, 35 min.

WAREHOUSE FIRE IN THE GARMENT DISTRICT

On Thursday, June 26, 2008 at 8:07 AM, 10 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 4 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Arson Unit, 1 Hazardous Materials Team, 2 EMS Battalion Captains, Emergency Air 1, 3 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, DWP, DOT and Street Maintenance, all under the direction of Battalion Chief Greg Gibson, responded to a Structure Fire at 117 E. Winston St. in Fashion District.

Firefighters responding to a reported structure fire in the garment district found a 7 story, concrete high rise building with heavy smoke showing from the first floor. Prior knowledge of the building's contents, from previous Fire Prevention inspections, was communicated immediately regarding the heavy storage in the structure and additional companies were requested early on. Firefighters deploying handlines for extinguishment of the fire, encountered heavy smoke as they searched for the seat of the fire. Horizontal ventilation and fans were utilized for smoke removal providing some relief for interior Firefighters as they attacked the blaze in the concrete building.

It took approximately 73 Firefighters 33 minutes to call a knockdown on the fire. The cause of the early morning blaze was accidental. An adjacent exposure suffered water damage on the first floor, caused by a broken water pipe in the fire building. The dollar loss estimate is still being tabulated at this time. No injuries were reported.

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6/26/2008	8:01 PM	5233 E. Monte Vista St.	1	MAJOR EMERGENCY	12	15	111	5		0	0	Still Being Tabulated	1 hour, 10 min.
	INC. #	F/F FATALITY								INCIDENT DURATION			
	1160	0								In Progress			

MAJOR EMERGENCY FIRE IN HIGHLAND PARK DISPLACES MULTIPLE FAMILIES

On Thursday, June 26, 2008 at 8:01 PM, 15 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 5 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Arson Unit, 2 Urban Search and Rescue Units, 1 Rehab Unit, 1 Hazardous Materials Team, 1 EMS Battalion Captain, 4 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, Emergency Air 1, DWP, LAPD, DOT and Building and Safety, all under the direction of Assistant Chief Terrance Manning, responded to a Major Emergency Structure Fire at 5233 E. Monte Vista St. in the Highland Park area.

The first arriving Firefighters on scene, found a 4 story, "C" shaped, center hallway apartment building with heavy smoke and fire showing from a unit on the 4th floor. Occupants of the building were self evacuating "out" as Firefighters raced "in" to establish hoselines in the fast growing fire. Reports from the roof team indicated the first heat holes were emitting large amounts of fire, prompted the Incident Commander to increase firefighting efforts with additional companies. The roof team provided an aggressive ventilation effort, cutting several heat holes and eventually creating a strip to gain control of the fire. The roof team also initiated an offensive fire attack with hoselines from the roof after interior Firefighters were withdrawn from the immediate area, knocking down the bulk of the fire, enabling interior handlines to be re-established. 34 minutes into the fire fight there was a partial roof collapse and a PAR (Personnel Accountability Report) was initiated.

It took 111 Firefighters 1 hour 10 minutes to call a knock down on the fire. There were 11 units deemed uninhabitable for residents and the Red Cross was requested for rehousing assistance for the displaced families. The cause and dollar loss estimate will be determined at the completion of the investigation. There were no reports of injury.