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Press Release

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Structure Fire

On January 6, 2016, at approximately 1:30 a.m., a report was received from a neighbor of heavy smoke at 928 Central, Roselle. A police unit, the first unit on the scene, reported fire through the roof and the rear overhead door melted off, prior to the arrival of the fire department.

Upon the arrival of the Fire Department, heavy smoke and fire was seen from the rear of this unit. This address is one unit in a one-story, multi-tenant commercial building.

Immediately hose lines and master streams were used to contain the fire to that unit. Due to the possibility of the fire spreading, mutual aid was requested through the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System. This brought approximately a dozen more fire departments to the scene, or to stand by at the Roselle fire station in the event of other incidents. In addition to Roselle units, 17 fire units were utilized to extinguish the fire.

With the arrival of the additional units, several holes were made in the roof to ventilate the smoke and fire, and to ensure that the fire did not extend past the original unit.

The fire unit was completely destroyed, and additional businesses sustained varying degrees of smoke and water damage.

Fire investigators were called to the scene, and are still there at the time of the release. They have identified an area of origin, but at this time an exact cause has not been determined. No damage estimates are available yet, but the damage is extensive.

At the time of this release, the unaffected businesses are being allowed to reopen. In addition to the fire unit, there are adjoining businesses that will be closed for several days, and building inspectors are investigating the structural integrity of one area of the building.

No one was injured in this fire.