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Date: 7/28/2023 4:17:11 PM
Subject: RE: VFRS Statement: Update - Fire at 414 East 10th Ave.

Hi Christine,

I can confirm that our teams in Fire and DBL have reviewed the history of bylaw enforcement against this property and there have been violations of several bylaws. Of note, a number of Fire bylaw violation were referred for prosecution in January of this year.

Pending the outcome of the VFRS investigation, we cannot speculate as to the cause or any association to the prior violations. I have copied the following excerpt from the VFRS media statement for reference in terms of messaging to the public:

The Fire Investigation Team is actively working to determining the cause of the fire and the Fire Prevention Division is reviewing the history of previous incidents and fire inspections that occurred at the building.

We will keep Council apprised as we obtain more information.

And many thanks for your acknowledgement of the VFRS and VEMA staff. Indeed, they are amazing. We will pass along your recognition.

Best,
Paul

From: Boyle, Christine <Christine.Boyle@vancouver.ca>
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Subject: FW: VFRS Statement: Update - Fire at 414 East 10th Ave.

Hi Paul and Chief Fry,

I went by the site of this fire today, and heard from a couple of neighbours there that the rumours are that the building owner had a number of fire code violations. Does the city have a record of that?

Also just wanted to add that I got to see (from a distance) how compassionately the fire and EOC folks were being in supporting tenants who were visibly distraught. And I just want to pass along my gratitude.

If it's appropriate please pass along my recognition and gratitude to the teams on the ground.

Best,
Christine

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**On behalf of Vancouver Fire Rescue Services
Statement
July 28, 2023**

VFRS Statement: Update - Fire at 414 East 10th Ave.

On July 27, 2023, at 20:22, Vancouver Fire Rescue Services was called to 414 East 10th Ave. for reports of smoke on the third floor of a three storey residential building. Upon arrival firefighters encountered heavy smoke conditions and immediately began rescuing occupants at the rear of the building from third floor balconies. Crews made an interior attack to the third floor but were pushed back from intense heat and deteriorating conditions on the floor, then continued to fight the fire from the exterior. There are no reports of injured occupants or anyone unaccounted for at this time. There are more than 70 persons displaced by the fire and ESS and Red Cross are assisting with residents to find them shelter and support.

One firefighter was taken to hospital with non-life threatening injuries and a number of other firefighters were treated by BCEHS on scene and monitored for heat exhaustion. The fire was upgraded to a three alarm fire consisting of 31 apparatus and 70 plus firefighters on scene.

The Fire Investigation Team is actively working to determining the cause of the fire and the Fire Prevention Division is reviewing the history of previous incidents and fire inspections that occurred at the building.

Additional information will be provided next week regarding incident updates.

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Media contact:

Captain Matthew Trudeau, Information Officer for Vancouver Fire Rescue Services, is available for all VFRS-related media inquiries, Monday through Thursday from 8 am to 5 pm and can be reached at the following:

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