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DATE: February 27, 2018

TIME: 4:55 A.M.

TYPE OF ALARM: Commercial Structure Fire

LOCATION: 98 West Ruby St., Apartment 441, Richmond

RESPONSE: E62, T68, E70, Squad 70, E67, E61, BC7, BC64, 1120 PIO, Investigator 20, Medic Unit, EMS 7

ASSISTING AGENCIES: Contra Costa Sheriff, PG&E TOTAL FIRE PERSONNEL AT SCENE: 23 All Concerned, Contra Costa County Firefighters along with Richmond Firefighters responded to a report of a Commercial Structure Fire at 98 West Ruby St., Apartment 441. E62 arrived on scene and reported heavy flames showing from second floor windows of a two story apartment building. Fire crews quickly placed hose lines into place and began extinguishing the fire from the exterior. Once the fire was knocked down fire crews placed hose lines inside on the second floor to extinguish the fire. The fire was brought under control within 10 minutes. The building was quickly searched and clear of any victims. This apartment building is vacant and boarded up with VPS coverings for security purposes. This poses a challenge for firefighters due to the access and egress issues. Our Investigations unit Captain and investigator 20 investigated the scene and deemed the fire cause as suspicious. No firefighters were injured. Contra Costa Sheriff assisted with traffic control. If you have any questions regarding this incident please contact me.

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