PRESS RELEASE

At 21:01 hours on Tuesday, April 21, 2020, the Lisle-Woodridge Fire District was notified by way of an activated fire alarm and dispatched to 4711 St. Joseph Creek Road, Lisle, sending two (2) engines, one (1) ladder truck, and one (1) battalion chief.

The first unit arrived on the scene at 21:05 hours and reported heavy fire and smoke in a first floor apartment of a five-story multi-family condominium building. Emergency crews immediately upgraded to a structure fire response, requesting additional assistance from surrounding fire departments due to the type of occupancy and the life hazard. Additional equipment and personnel were called to the scene, consisting of three (3) engines, two (2) trucks, three (3) medic units, and three (3) chief officers, for a total of thirty (30) personnel.

Fire units deployed hose lines, and a search of all five (5) floors was immediately initiated. Residents were assisted in exiting the building with the support of the Lisle Police Department and fire personnel, as an aggressive interior fire attack was initiated. Fire damage was limited to the apartment of origin, but smoke traveled throughout much of the building. Water damage was limited to the first floor and lower level vehicle garage.

The fire was extinguished at 21:28 hours, approximately twenty-three (23) minutes after the Fire District’s arrival; however, units remained on the scene until approximately 22:30 hours performing salvage duties and looking for hidden fire in the burned area of the building.

A total of four (4) units of the building were determined to be uninhabitable due to smoke and water damage by the Village of Lisle Building Department. Displaced residents were offered temporary housing by the Red Cross. One (1) resident of the apartment of origin was transported to Edward Hospital with non-life threatening injuries. No other injuries to any civilians or emergency responders were reported.

Lisle-Woodridge Fire District units were assisted on the scene by the Darien-Woodridge, Lombard, and Downers Grove Fire Departments.

The cause of the fire is under investigation. No further information is available at the time. Additional information will be disseminated as it becomes available.

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