

Boyd, Karen

From: Landry, Chris
Sent: Monday, January 09, 2017 5:50 PM
To: Sabatini, Maria; Hunter, Geoffrey; Fire Station 15 C
Cc: Chew, Rick; Padgett, Steve; Trujillo, Miguel; Nichelini, Matthew; Diaz, Zoraida; Avila, Cesar
Subject: Re: Life Safety Hazard

Today at 1600 hrs. we performed a reinspection of 2551 San Pablo Ave. We found that the previous violations noted by Captain Chew have not been corrected and we identified a few other violations. We were unable to make contact with a manager or representative of the building. No one in the building was willing to give a name, number or location of a manager in the building.

Below is a list of Violations we noted in the building:

- No Fire Extinguishers in the building
- Heavy Debris in front of the Electrical Meters on the C Side of the building.
- Fire Sprinkler Inlet Covers missing, inlet full of debris.
- Isolation Valve on Riser fitted with supervised device appears to be in closed position.

Please advise how you would like me to proceed forward.

Respectfully Submitted,
Captain Chris Landry
Fire Station 15 A

From: Sabatini, Maria
Sent: Monday, January 9, 2017 9:31:57 AM
To: Hunter, Geoffrey; Fire Station 15 C
Cc: Chew, Rick; Padgett, Steve; Trujillo, Miguel; Landry, Chris; Nichelini, Matthew; Diaz, Zoraida; Avila, Cesar
Subject: Re: Life Safety Hazard
Hello All,

Thanks for addressing this hazard in your district. I support Chief Hunter's direction to mitigate the immediate hazard and schedule a follow up for the issues of trash and the alarm system. This is an example of code violations that can be managed at the company level by Operations, until the time when more Code Inspectors are available to address these properties.

An prompt re-visit to the property by Station 15 is necessary. Instruct the responsible party to remove the trash and give an reasonable amount of time to repair the alarm system; 30 days is appropriate. If upon a re-inspection in 30 days the violations are not being dealt with, then you can notify me and/or Assistant Fire Marshal Cesar Avila and we will get the appropriate District Code Inspector involved.

Also, in the future, when you determine a referral to the Fire Prevention Bureau is necessary, please try to include contact information for a manager, or property owner, if you have been able to obtain it.

More guidelines will be shared with all Suppression personnel in the near future. In the meantime, thanks very much for your persistence in this matter, and hard work in general.

Respectfully,

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From: Hunter, Geoffrey
Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2017 4:14 PM
To: Fire Station 15 C
Cc: Chew, Rick; Padgett, Steve; Trujillo, Miguel; Sabatini, Maria; Landry, Chris; Nichelini, Matthew; Diaz, Zoraida
Subject: Re: Life Safety Hazard
Dear Captain Chew,

Thank you for your email alerting me to these life safety concerns. Per our phone conversation, I have directed you to cut the lock on the 3rd floor fire escape due to the immediate life hazard it poses. While you are at 2551 San Pablo removing the padlock, please make contact with the building manager to have the garbage removed immediately and the alarm system to be fixed as soon as possible.

Tomorrow, please have either CA Landry or LT Nichelini follow up with the building manager to ensure that the garbage and alarm system issues have been addressed and corrected. Direct them to reply to this thread so that all stakeholders stay in the loop.

I appreciate your efforts to keep our citizens safe from potential fires. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

Geoff Hunter
Battalion Chief

From: Fire Station 15 C
Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2017 1:24 PM
To: Hunter, Geoffrey
Subject: Life Safety Hazard
Sir:

At approximately 1100 hours today, we responded (incident #02025) to 2551 San Pablo Avenue for a medical. Walking our probationary members throughout the building revealed open piles of garbage on the third floor. We also discovered that the pull station had been activated and not reset (there was no indication of an alarm). We also observed a door to the fire escape padlocked closed. For these reasons, I recommend that we consider shutting this building down immediately due to the danger to life safety.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Chew, Captain

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From: Fire Station 15 C
Sent: Saturday, February 25, 2017 8:12 AM
To: Garrett, Flanoy; Hunter, Geoffrey; Chin, Tracey; Logan, Erik; Landry, Chris; Holt, Howard; Chew, Rick; Sabatini, Maria; Trujillo, Miguel
Subject: 2551 San Pablo

Engine 15 responded to another medical at 2551 San Pablo. This address is a known fire hazard. Captain Rick Chew has sent emails chronicling the dangers this address presents. The engine went there last night and observed other problems that should be addressed.

There are no fire extinguishers. Storage in the hallways. Faulty or unmaintained smoke detectors. These issues are on the first floor. You can refer to Captain Chews emails for violations on the floors above.

This building is dangerous!

Please let station 15 know what we can do to get this place shut down, updated and repaired.

One possibility is get the city attorney involved in the same manner as 641 West Grand. That building was in bad shape but it is now on the road to recovery. (slowly)

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Steve Padgett