CITY OF VENTURA
FIRE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASE

Date of Release: 08/05/2021

Fire Incident Number: 21-0066037

Incident Commander: Battalion Chief Tony Hill

Incident Type: Commercial Structure Fire

Date/Time of Incident: 08/05/2021, 0207

Incident Location: Ventura, CA

Cause/Origin: Unknown/Undetermined

Injuries Reported: None

Units Committed On-Scene: 3 Battalion Chiefs, 6 Medic Engines, 2 Medic Trucks, 1 Light/Air Unit, I Investigator, 1 EMS Supervisor, 1 Ambulance

Total Fire Personnel On-Scene: 39

Agencies Involved: Ventura City FD, Oxnard FD, Ventura County FD, AMR, GCA, and Ventura PD

Narrative: On the above date and time a 911 call was received at the Fire Communication Center to report a structure fire at a commercial building. Fire personnel arrived on scene within minutes of the initial call and found a large single story commercial occupancy with heavy smoke and flames coming from a front office. Fire personnel began an aggressive fire attack and found the seat of the fire in a front office. A quick and coordinated search for victims found the occupancy to be vacant. Fire personnel knocked down and extinguished the fire within 22 minutes of the initial 911 call and began salvage and overhaul operations.

The Incident Commander coordinated with Ventura Building and Safety to determine the final disposition of the building. The estimated damage to the structure was approximately $150,000 and personal losses were estimated to be at $0 because the building was vacant. The final cause of the fire remains under investigation and no injuries were reported at the time of the incident.

The Ventura City Fire Department would like to remind the public to ensure that all businesses have working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and have an effective evacuation plan.