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City Officials Update Apartment Fire Details

Fire Marshal Phil Noah said Monday morning there are no indications of suspicious activity in Sunday evening's fire at Lake Shore Apartments, at Chesterfield Village. Noah said firefighters had finished at the scene and more information may be released later this week. Fire Marshal Bill Spence this afternoon confirmed that the fire started on the third floor of Building #21.

According to the City's Building and Development Services director Chris Straw, BDS has posted the entire building as "no occupancy" and classified it as a dangerous building. Straw said 50% percent of the building is a total loss.

Springfield Fire Department fought and contained the two-alarm fire Sunday night. Smoke from the fire temporarily stopped traffic along Kansas Expressway and the James River Freeway (U.S. 60).

Two firefighters were treated for minor injuries at Mercy Hospital, but were released Sunday night. A resident was treated at the scene for a minor injury, but did not need further medical assistance.

American Red Cross reported assisting about 12 people with a place to stay or emergency clothes and assistance.

Battlefield and Logan-Rogersville Fire Departments helped fight this fire and a grass fire that occurred elsewhere in Springfield last night.

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