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COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE FIRE ON LIGHTHOUSE AVENUE IN MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA

Monterey, Calif. – The Monterey Fire Department (MFD) responded to a commercial structure fire on Thursday, April 3, 2025, around 6:37 a.m. located at 902 Lighthouse Avenue, Monterey, CA. The incident was upgraded to a 2nd alarm (7 engines, 2 aerial ladder trucks, 1 breathing support apparatus and 2 Chief Officers). Crews arrived on scene within 5 minutes of the dispatch and found the Carl's Jr. restaurant, on the corner of Lighthouse and David Avenues, with smoke inside of the building. Upon arrival, crews initiated fire-attack and made entry into the building. They found advanced fire spread throughout the attic, moved to a defensive mode, and exited the building due to potential roof collapse.

The fire has been contained and crews remain on scene. A Monterey Fire engine and ladder truck will remain at the location to monitor the situation and ensure there are no additional flare-ups. The roof and several walls collapsed, and the building is deemed to be a total loss.

The fire was contained to the Carl's Jr. building and did not spread to any other businesses in the area. Notifications were also made to State, regional, and local regulatory agencies due to potential runoff into the Monterey Bay.

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A total of 39 fire personnel, led by the Monterey Fire Department responded, including six Chief officers, and apparatus from CAL FIRE / Pebble Beach Community Services District, City of Seaside, Presidio of Monterey Fire Department, and Monterey County Regional Fire Department. The City of Salinas, City of Marina and Monterey County Regional Fire Department also assisted with station coverage while MFD's apparatus were committed on scene. Monterey Police Department, Pacific Grove Police Department, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), American Medical Response (AMR), Monterey Fire Investigators, City of Monterey Public Works Department and Building Safety Division, PG&E, Cal Am Water, and Monterey County Health Department also responded. No firefighter or civilian injuries were reported. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.



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