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SUFFOLK, Va. (August 6, 2009) – Fast acting firefighters were able to contain a fire to one two story building in downtown Suffolk this morning. Suffolk Fire and Rescue was notified of a fire in a second story apartment in the 100 block of West Washington Street at 9:30 this morning. Firefighters arrived on scene and observed heavy smoke coming from the building's roof. Fire stations from around the City responded.

Firefighters were able to contain the blaze to the single building, which housed an upstairs apartment and gift shop on the lower level. Firefighters were on the scene for hours. The fire was deemed under control just before noon. The building next door was heavily damaged by smoke and water.

Three firefighters were treated at the scene for heat exhaustion. Members of the Fire Marshal's office are currently on scene. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

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