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CITY OF MARCO ISLAND INVESTIGATING FIRE PREVENTION AND INSPECTION RECORDS

Marco Island, FL (April 7, 2022)

The City of Marco Island has initiated an inquiry into apparent discrepancies in fire prevention and inspection records. Related to that inquiry, Fire Marshall John Harris and two Fire Inspectors, Steven Allen and Adrian Garcia-Casals were placed on administrative leave April 5, 2022. Subsequently, John Harris and Steven Allen have tendered their resignations effective immediately.

Marco Island Police Department is currently leading the inquiry in consultation with the State Attorney's Office. "We are committed to a thorough and expeditious investigation into questions that have been raised about the integrity of our fire inspection records," said City Manager Mike McNees.

As the inquiry continues, the City has engaged private sector inspection services to ensure that fire inspections are completed and community safety is not compromised.

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