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Fire department reports rooftop close call

No one was injured, but people working in a local business were on edge Monday afternoon when their building began filling with smoke.

Fire crews were dispatched at approximately 4:15 p.m. to 1371 Cedar Street to respond to reports of smoke inside a single-storey commercial building. On arrival, fire crews confirmed light smoke throughout the unit, and all occupants had evacuated the building.

“Upon further investigation, it was determined that a roofing company had been conducting work, and a small fire ignited near the rooftop ventilation system, which drew smoke into the business premises,” says deputy fire chief Thomas Doherty. *“Quick action by the roofing company on site contained the fire to a small area and prevented it from spreading into the concealed space in the roof.”*

Fire crews remained on scene, ventilating the building to clear out the smoke and checking for any signs that the fire might have spread. The business was back in operation shortly after crews confirmed the building was safe from fire.

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