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FATAL FIRE IN TAYLOR UNDER INVESTIGATION

TAYLOR, TX—The City of Taylor Fire Department is investigating after a residential fire on Sunday resulted in the deaths of two people and one animal.

According to Taylor Fire Chief Daniel Baum, at 12:59 a.m. on Sunday, August 23, 2020, the Taylor Fire Department was dispatched to a residential structure fire at 601 W. 11th Street in Taylor. While en route, the Fire Department was notified that there may be occupants and animals still inside the structure. Upon arrival, the structure was fully engulfed in flames. The extreme fire conditions prevented Fire Department personnel from initially entering the structure and defensive fire operations were initiated from outside the home. Taylor Police Department personnel evacuated neighbors from nearby homes.

The fire was mostly extinguished after 2:00 a.m., at which point firefighters were able to initiate a search of the residence. An adult victim was located, as well as the remains of a dog. While extinguishing the remainder of the fire and after prolonged search efforts, a second adult victim was located. The victims have not been publicly identified.

Chief Baum said the cause of the fire remains under investigation. The Taylor Fire Department was assisted by units from the Hutto Fire Department and the Round Rock Fire Department.

For additional information, please call the City of Taylor Communications Office at 512-352-5448.