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Ten Minutes in the Street; bringing you insightful and provoking street scenarios for the discriminating and perspective Firefighter, Company Officer and Commander; where you make the call. You don't have to have any special rank to participate in this interactive forum, just the desire to learn and expand you knowledge, skills and abilities in order to better yourself, create

new insights, while sharing your experience and perspectives to help you and others in the street in making the right call; so everyone has the opportunity of going home. Access the Series on <u>Firefighter Nation</u> Don't forget to access <u>CommandSafety.com</u> and <u>TheCompanyOfficer.com</u>. Buildingsonfire is also on Facebook.

## Ten Minutes in the Street: "Three For One"

An alarm of fire clears the airways, as the communications center dispatches a first alarm assignment for a report of a structure fire in a single family residential occupancy in a new neighborhood. Most of these residential structures were built between 2005 and 2010. They vary in size from 2500 SF – 3500 SF. They are closely spaced and are Type V constructed with wood clad or vinyl siding.

The first alarm assignment is comprised of three engine companies, two truck companies, a rescue (or squad) company and an EMS unit. Companies are either from one department or are a balance of mutual aid units. All companies are four staffed. There are two chief officers responding, and a RIT/FAST Engine is being dispatched as additional radio transmissions indicate numerous calls coming in reporting three different address locations, with others indicating large plumes of smoke in the area.

The first-due engine and the district chief arrive and find not one, but three residential houses in varying stages of fire.

- House #1 is the most involved with rapid fire progression, extending to both exposures on the Bravo and Delta sides.
- House #3 is the Bravo Exposure,
- House#2 is the Delta Exposure.
- The area has adequate hydrants and water flow and pressure.
- It's a weekday around 1300 hours and the heat index is 105 degrees F.

Let's look at the first ten minutes of this operation;

- What does Command do, after establishing Command?
- What are the Strategic needs for this alarm?
- What are the immediate concerns for the development and initiation of the IAP?
- What are the Tactical needs and how can they be effectively deployed?
- Who needs to do what, when?
- Give us your insights: what would you do as either the Commander or the First-Due Company Officer/
- How are your reading this fire incident Strategically or Tactically?
- How will these buildings react over the course of the next ten minutes?
- What's the worst that can happen after ten minutes....?



Alpha Side



Charlie Side



Alpha Side First-Due Observations upon Arrival



**Charlie Side First-Due 360 Observations after Arrival** 

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## Strategic and Tactical Considerations

Including Risk Assessment, Tactical Profiling and Safety Assessment

Incident Action Plan Considerations Including Risk Assessment, Tactical Profiling and Safety Assessment

**Other Considerations**