



CITY OF CLEVELAND
Mayor Frank G. Jackson

West Side Market Update

January 31, 2013

3:00 p.m.

The City of Cleveland is continuing its efforts to restore the West Side Market to full operation after the fire that occurred on January 30, 2013. Here are the most recent updates.

Cleveland Fire

Cleveland Fire's investigation is ongoing. The preliminary investigation indicates that the fire was accidental in nature.

Department of Public Works

- The Market House is closed until further notice.
- The Produce Building (which is separate from the Market House) will open at 7 a.m., Friday, February 1. Individual stalls in the Produce Building will open at the vendors' discretion.
- Director Michael Cox met with Market vendors today inside the Market House.
 - Vendors were able to view their stalls, survey the damage to the facility and begin taking inventory.
 - Vendors will return on Friday to continue the inventory process.
- The City is working with three different companies as they finalize their estimates for the clean up of the Market. The City is expediting this process so that clean-up work can begin as soon as possible.

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Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH)

- The Cleveland Department of Public Health is working closely with the Department of Public Works and Market vendors throughout this process.
- CDPH will oversee the process to dispose of the products damaged by/exposed to the fire and will:
 - Require that proper inventory of foods to be discarded take place for insurance purposes.
 - Work with Department of Public Works to manage the food disposal process.
 - Require all food contact surfaces and equipment to be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized.
 - Require all non-food contact surfaces, such as, the sides of the coolers, etc. be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.
 - Floors, walls, and ceilings must be cleaned as well.
 - Require all refrigeration units and freezers to be restored at proper holding temperatures.
 - Give clearance before re-opening.