



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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*****NEWS RELEASE*****

August 14, 2020

VPD Report Number: 20-068848

Date/Time Occurred: 8-13-20 12:55 hrs.

Type of Incident: Arson

Location: behind 227 E. Main

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. Spurlock, Charles

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YES

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Details: On 8-13 -20 at around 12:55 hrs. Visalia Fire Department responded to a dumpster fire behind 227 E. Main Street. The dumpster was in a dumpster enclosure that is part of the east Acequia parking structure. The Fire suppression system in the dumpster area activated keeping fire from spreading. As a result of fires response and the suppression system damage was only minor. On today's date Officers responded to the corner of Main and Court regarding a Downtown security Officer watching a subject he had seen in the area of the dumpster yesterday just prior to the fire. Officers located and contacted Spurlock. After some follow up investigation Spurlock was identified as the arsonist. Spurlock was arrested for Arson, possession of a controlled substance and a parole violation and booked into Tulare County Jail.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: L. Cunning

Supervisor: R. Gauger



