



# CITY OF KENNER

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **\*Correction\***

## **SEVERE WEATHER DAMAGES REPORTED IN NORTHWEST KENNER**

As Mayor Yenni and other staff are out assessing damages in Kenner, it has been confirmed that a wind event (unconfirmed tornado) has caused damage in northwest Kenner. Mayor Yenni is stressing to Kenner residents who reside in the mid to northwest areas of Kenner (particularly on West Loyola and Woodlake subdivisions) to have someone check their home as soon as possible and mitigate any damages in preparation for further rainfall. Power lines have been reported down throughout the city; proceed with caution and do not attempt to touch a downed/sagging power line.

"I want to assure citizens that we are on top of the situation. The Kenner Fire Department and Community Development Department have contacted the Red Cross to assist anyone in need," said Yenni.

### **A summary of reported damages in the Kenner area are listed below:**

- Reports of a number of homes with roof damage and blown out windows in the far NW quadrant of the City. (3800 – 4400 West Loyola and Grandlake subdivision)
- **Entergy reporting approximately 5,000 Kenner residential and commercial customers without power.**
- Numerous electrical and light poles reported leaning along canal running parallel to and west of West Loyola.
- 3500 – 3700 Loyola – construction zone, barricades and cones strewn about.
- 3500 - 3700 East Loyola - debris in roadway including portable sheds and awning.
- Numerous electrical poles leaning and wires down and lying in roadway and across lawns in the area of Acron and 27<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Wind damage including downed trees and power lines reported in the Roosevelt and 21<sup>st</sup> Street areas.
- **A building under construction at 2625 Veterans Blvd (located in parking lot of the Home Depot parking lot behind Burger King) was heavy damaged as a result of wind**

The media will be updated as more information becomes available.

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