Car Overturned and Downed Power Line Update

Fire rescue was able to safely remove woman passenger and she was transported to be treated for minor injuries. The driver, James Algeo DOB 9-18-1980, of St. Petersburg, was not injured. Charges pending.

Northbound MLK St open, Southbound will remain closed for another half hour or so while power crews work on the downed power pole.

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St. Petersburg officers are working an accident scene at 40th Av S and MLK St. A car hit a power pole and flipped, causing a live power line to drop in the road and a palm tree to catch fire.

The driver was able to get out of the vehicle, but a passenger is unable to get out due to the power line. Officers are waiting for the power company to turn off the electricity to the wire.

In the meantime, MLK St. is closed to traffic in both directions from 38 Av S - 42 Av S., also 40th Ave is closed.