



City of Key West, FL

City Hall
1300 White Street
Key West FL 33040

Action Minutes - Final

Tree Commission

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

5:00 PM

City Hall

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Call Meeting To Order - 5:01 P.M.

Roll Call

Absent 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Present 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Approval of Agenda - The agenda was unanimously approved as presented.

Administering the Oath by the Clerk of the Commission

Approval of Minutes

1 July 12, 2022

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cunningham, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

New Business

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2101 Harris Avenue/T2022-0246/Dillon Nelson

Represented by: Sean Creedon-Treeman

Requesting approval to remove (1) Strangler Fig tree.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Vice Chair Pope, in accordance with Sec. 110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Strangler Fig tree at 2101 Harris Avenue to be replaced with 16.8 caliper inches of dicot or fruit from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

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2904 Harris Avenue/T2022-0251/Victoria Castellanos

Represented by: Clifton Turner-Shorty's Tree & Lawn Care

Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo Limbo and (1) Verawood tree.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, in accordance with Sec. 110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Gumbo Limbo and (1) Verawood tree at 2904 Harris Avenue to be replaced with 21.8 caliper inches of dicot or fruit from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

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2720 N. Roosevelt Blvd/T2022-0258 &
T2022-0259/Overseas Market Retail LLC

Represented by: Michael Ingram

Requesting approval to transplant (11) Silver Buttonwood, (8) Green Buttonwood, (4) Yellow Tabebuia, (1) Clusia guttifera, (48) Sabal Palms, and (24) Coconut Palms from the interior parking area to other locations around the property. Entrance to the shopping center will be redesigned, a pedestrian walkway will be created across the interior parking area, and new landscaping consisting primarily of clumps of palm trees, will be planted in the interior parking area.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Application with Plans](#)
[\(LARGE FILE\) Landscape plan](#)
[Existing tree map and transplant locations.](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, to approve the landscape plan as submitted, which also includes the plan for transplanting the existing trees to new locations on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

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610 Petronia Street/T2022-0260/KHP IV Key West, LLC

Represented by: Richard McChesney

Requesting approval to remove (1) Spanish Lime tree.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, in accordance with Sec. 110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Spanish Lime tree at 610 Petronia Street to be replaced with 10.7 caliper inches of dicot or fruit from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

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1511 South Street/T2022-0262/Ruth L. Reiter

Represented by: Just Keys Trees

Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo Limbo.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, in accordance with Sec. 110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Gumbo Limbo tree at 1511 South Street to be replaced with 11.3 caliper inches of dicot or fruit from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

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1235 Washington Street/T2022-0266/Luis Cobo-Cobo

Washington St. LLC

Represented by: Kenneth King

Requesting approval to remove (2) Mango trees.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motioned was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Vice Chair Pope, in accordance with Sec. 110-328, to deny the removal of Mango Tree #2 based on its species and condition that makes it a unique specimen, and, in accordance with Sec. 110-327, to approve the removal of Mango Tree #1 at 1235 Washington Street to be replaced with 5.9 caliper inches of dicot or fruit from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

- 8 314 Margaret Street/T2022-0245/Doug Erdman-EKS-Key West LLC
Represented by: Kenneth King
Requesting approval to remove (1) Yellow Poinciana-Peltophorum tree.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, to table this item to the end of the meeting. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Then, a motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cunningham, in accordance with Sec. 110-328, to deny the removal of (1) Yellow Poinciana-Peltophorum tree at 314 Margaret Street due to the size, species, champion tree status, historical importance, and condition of the tree that makes it a unique specimen, and the size and location of the tree that makes it substantial in and easily accessible to public view. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

- 9 Use of tree fund money to purchase street trees.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Vice Chair Pope, to approve the use of tree fund money to purchase street trees from Just Keys Trees, Inc. based on the size of the trees. The motion carried by the following vote:

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

Reports

- 10 Urban Forestry Manager's Report

Attachments: [July 2022 Monthly Report](#)
 [August 2022 Monroe County IFAS Newsletter](#)

Received and Filed

Assistant City Attorney's Report

Public Comment

Commissioner Comments

Adjournment - 6:06 P.M.