

STAFF REPORT

DATE: March 17, 2014

RE: 1311 Pine Street (permit application # 6783)

FROM: Karen DeMaria, Urban Forestry Manager,
City of Key West

An application was received for the removal of **(1) Gumbo Limbo tree**. A site inspection was done on March 7, 2014 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Gumbo Limbo (*Bursera simaruba*)



Diameter: 14"

Location: 20% (impacts to utility lines, water lines, sidewalk and neighboring property-fence)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 60% (fair-lopsided canopy, trunk has a lean)

Total Average Value = 60%

Value x Diameter = **8 replacement caliper inches**







Recommendations: Recommend approval of the removal of (1) Gumbo limbo tree located at 1311 Pine Street, to be replaced with 8 caliper inches of FL#1 native dicot or fruit tree.



Application



AGENDA ITEM #

6783

City of Key West Tree Commission

Tree Permit Application

PO Box 1409
Key West, FL 33040
Phone: 305-809-3764
Fax: 305-809-3978

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TC
April 2014
KAD

Home/Property Owner: Robin VanMater Date: Feb 2, 2014Mailing Address: 1320 Pine St Key West, FLOwner Signature: [Signature] Owner Ph#: ()Represented by: Dot Palm Landscaping Rep. Ph#: 305 481-0959Represented by mailing address: 5200 Overseas Hwy Marathon, FL 33050

Attendance at the Tree Commission meeting on the date when your request will be discussed is necessary in order to expedite the resolution of your application.

A letter of representation from the owner must accompany this application if the owner is unable to attend.

Letter of Representation ()

Tree(s) Address: 1311 Pine St Cross/Corner Street: _____Common Name(s): Gumbo limbo Scientific Name(s): _____

Species Type(s) (check all that apply): () Palm () Flowering () Fruit () Shade

Reason(s) for Application (check all that apply):

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|--|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REMOVE | () TRANSPLANT | () HEAVY MAINTENANCE |
| () Tree Health | () New Location | () Branch Removal |
| () Safety | () Same Property | () Crown Cleaning/Thinning |
| () Other / Explain | () Other / Explain | () Crown Reduction |

Reason(s) for request:

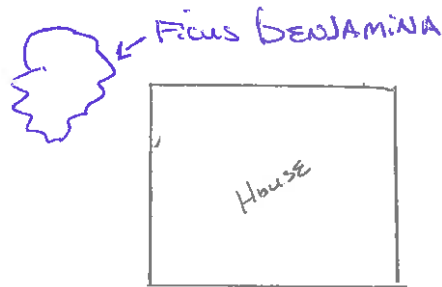
Gumbo is pushing the wall & in the wires; Ficus is going to tear up the house

Replacement plant material must be Florida Grade #1. Replacement of a palm with a native palm is required. Replacement of a canopy tree with a native canopy tree is required. If you need assistance with replacements, please call the Landscape Department at 305-809-3764.

<<<<< Sketch location of tree in this area including cross/corner Street >>>>>

Provide access for viewing tree(s) prior to meeting
Identify tree(s) with colored tape

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Tree Species Ficus benjamina, ~~tree~~ Gumb Limb

Circumference 3'9" $\div 3.14$ = diameter 14"

Location 20 % Species 100 % Condition 60 % Total Average Value 60 %

utility lines, H2O lines, sidewalk lopsided canopy - 1/4 in Fall

Avg. value .60 X 14 Diameter = 8"

Replacement Inches

LOCATION: OLD CITY HALL, 510 GREENE STREET, 5:00 p.m.

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() TABLED () APPROVED () DENIED () FURTHER ACTION

COMMENTS:

Rev. Date: SEPT 2012

Side 2 of 2

- 1- bumbo limbo to tree commission
2. Ficus benjamin - no permit required.

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February 22, 2014

City of KW Tree Commission,
C/o Dot Palm Landscaping

RE: Removal of Gumbo Limbo from 1311 Pine Street,

Dear Sir/Madam,

We respectfully request permission to remove the Gumbo Limo tree in the front yard of 1311 Pine Street. The tree is growing into the power lines, with roots that are cracking and pushing the front retaining wall of both this property and the adjoining property.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robin Van Mater', with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

Robin Van Mater
305-797-6784