

STAFF REPORT

DATE: December 22, 2014

RE: 1517/1519 Bertha Street (permit application #7204)

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 December 18, 2014 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Gumbo Limbo (*Bursera simaruba*)











Diameter: 22"

Location: 70%

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 60% (fair)

Total Average Value = 76%

Value x Diameter = **16.7 replacement caliper inches**

NOTES: This property just received a landscape plan for redevelopment of the property. This gumbo limbo was included in the plan to be preserved. A recent bug inspection by Keys Pest Control indicated that a gumbo limbo tree and a Royal Poinciana tree were found to be infested with Subterranean termites. The Royal Poinciana tree received approval for removal as per the approved landscape plan so a permit was issued for its removal (T14-7203). Additional information was requested from Keys Pest Control regarding the termites in the gumbo limbo.

UPDATE - March 26, 2015: Keys Pest Control submitted a letter and a map showing the referenced gumbo limbo tree as being infested with termites. No photos of termite infestation were submitted. A re-inspection of the tree did not show any obvious signs of termites.





Bark appears to be solid and healthy. No obvious holes in bark or decay areas.



Above is a photo of the Royal Poinciana stump (T14-7203).

Karen DeMaria

From: Karen DeMaria
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2015 2:23 PM
To: 'scott.p@aidshelp.cc'; 'john.g@aidshelp.cc'
Cc: 'Rick Milelli'; 'janesjunglework@gmail.com'
Subject: RE: Marty's Place--trees

All:

The application to remove the gumbo limbo tree was reviewed by the Tree Commission at their February 11, 2015 meeting and postponed until additional requested information has been received regarding the potential termite infestation of the tree. Once I receive the requested information, the application will be resubmitted for review by the Tree Commission.

Sincerely

Karen DeMaria

From: Karen DeMaria
Sent: Monday, January 26, 2015 11:22 AM
To: 'scott.p@aidshelp.cc'; 'john.g@aidshelp.cc'
Cc: 'Rick Milelli'; 'janesjunglework@gmail.com'
Subject: RE: Marty's Place--trees

All:

The application to remove the Gumbo Limbo tree was postponed from the January 2015 meeting and will now be placed on the agenda for the February 10, 2015 meeting. I still need additional information regarding the termite infestation of the tree and a map or a photo from Mr. Font documenting which tree he is talking about.

Sincerely,

Karen

From: Karen DeMaria
Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 9:14 AM
To: 'scott.p@aidshelp.cc'; 'john.g@aidshelp.cc'
Cc: 'Rick Milelli'; 'janesjunglework@gmail.com'
Subject: RE: Marty's Place--trees

I still have not received additional information regarding the termite infestation of the gumbo limbo tree (a map showing the location of the tree that Mr. Font looked at, some photos, etc). I need this information before the Tree Commission meeting on Tuesday so that I may accurately re-access the tree.

Sincerely,

Karen DeMaria

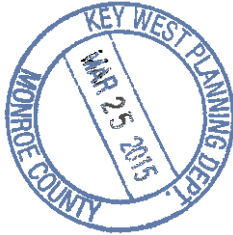


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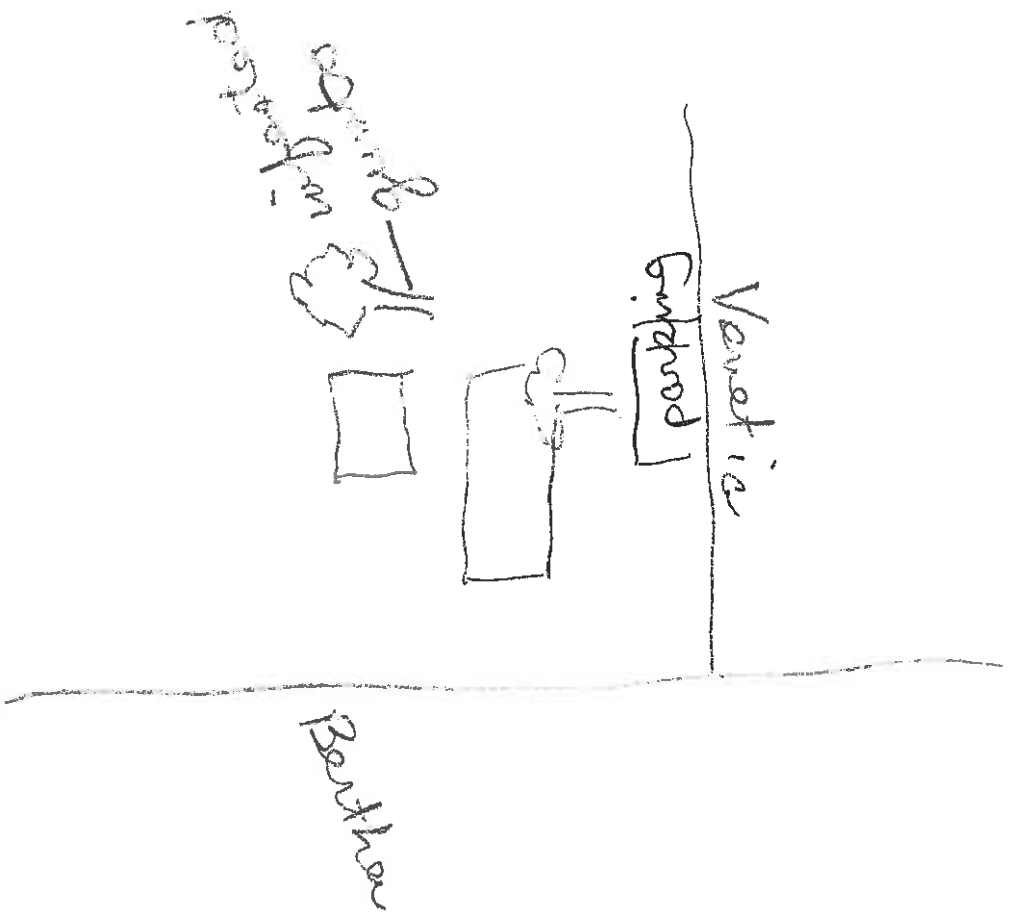


To whom it may concern,

An inspection was performed on a gumbo limbo tree located at Marty's Place, 1901 Venetia. It was determined that the tree is infested with Subterranean Termites. To prevent the spread of the infestation causing damage to the buildings located on the property it is recommended that the tree be removed. One building near the tree has been infested. The Subterranean Termite infestation can weaken the tree and poses a threat to damage property and injure people and pets.

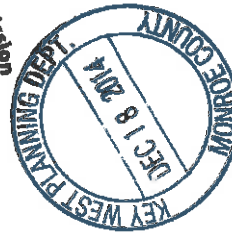
Gilbert Font Jr.

Certified Pest Control Operator



Application

1-13-15
postponed
(not presentation)
KD
Feb 2015
TC



7204

Tree Permit Application

Date: Nov 10, 2014

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise.

Tree Address 1901 Venetia 1517/1519 Bertha St.
Cross/Corner Street Bertha
List Tree Name(s) and Quantity 2 infested gumbo limbos (remove)
Species Type(s) check all that apply Royal
() Palm () Flowering () Fruit () Shade () Unsure
Reason(s) for Application:

☒ **REMOVE** ☒ Tree Health ☒ Safety ☐ Other/Explain below
☐ **TRANSPLANT** ☐ New Location ☐ Same Property ☐ Other/Explain below
☒ **HEAVY MAINTENANCE** ☒ Branch Removal ☐ Crown Cleaning/Thinning ☐ Crown Reduction
Other/Explain 2 infested gumbo limbos - remove
no treatment available or known
Reason for Request + 1 heavy side of royal palm
over roof + rebalance

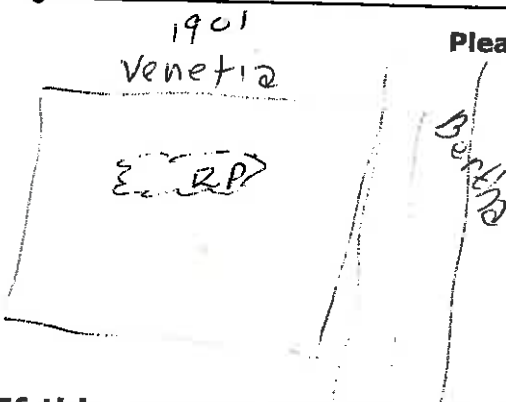
Property Owner Name A.H. @ Monroe County
Property Owner eMail Address john.g. @aids help. cc
Property Owner Mailing Address 1434 Kennedy
Property Owner Mailing City Key West **State** FL **Zip** 33040
Property Owner Phone Number (305) 293-7827
Property Owner Signature [Signature]

Representative Name Tarzan Tree Care
Representative eMail Address janes.junglework@gmail.com
Representative Mailing Address 22970 Bluegill Ln
Representative Mailing City Coral Gables **State** FL **Zip** 33042
Representative Phone Number (305) 304-9303

NOTE: A Tree Representation Authorization form must accompany this application if someone other than the owner will be representing the owner at a Tree Commission meeting or picking up an issued Tree Permit.

Tree Representation Authorization form attached ☐

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



Please identify tree(s) with colored tape

See attached
(landscape plan)
KD

5'9" cir
22" dbh

If this process requires blocking of a City right-of-way, a separate ROW Permit is required. Please contact 305-809-3740.



Tree Representation Authorization

Date: Nov 10, 2014

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. This Tree Representation Authorization form must accompany the application if the property owner is unable to attend or will have someone else pick up the Tree Permit once issued.

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise.

Tree Address 1901 Venetia

Property Owner Name A.H at Monroe County
Property Owner eMail Address John.g@aids help .cc
Property Owner Mailing Address 1434 Kennedy Dr.
Property Owner Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040
Property Owner Phone Number (305) 293-8277
Property Owner Signature E. Scott Pridgen

Representative Name Tarzan Tree Care
Representative eMail Address janesjunglework@gmail.com
Representative Mailing Address 22976 Bluegill Ln
Representative Mailing City Cudjoe Key State FL Zip 33042
Representative Phone Number (305) 304-9303

I E. Scott Pridgen, hereby authorize the above listed agent(s) to represent me in the matter of obtaining a Tree Permit from the City of Key West for my property at the tree address above listed. You may contact me at the telephone listed above if there is any questions or need access to my property.

Property Owner Signature

E. Scott Pridgen

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this 29 day October 14.

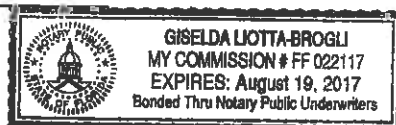
By (Print name of Affiant) E. Scott Pridgen who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and who did take an oath.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Sign Name: Gisella Liotta-Brogli Notary Public - State of Florida (seal)

Print Name: GL

My Commission Expires: 8/19/2017



Karen DeMaria

From: John Guy <john.g@aidshelp.cc>
Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2014 4:16 PM
To: Karen DeMaria
Subject: Re: Marty's Place--trees

Yeah just one is fine I didn't see any evidence on the other tree

Thanks John

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 18, 2014, at 4:14 PM, Karen DeMaria <kdemaria@cityofkeywest-fl.gov> wrote:

John:

One question as I process the permit applications, right now I am looking at 1-Royal Poinciana and 1-Gumbo Limbo tree. The application says 2-gumbo limbo trees. Where is the second gumbo? Or should I just proceed with the 1-gumbo limbo. I need clarification by 3 p.m. Friday, Dec 19 (deadline for Jan 13, 2015 TC meeting). If I do not hear from you, I will process the application for 1-gumbo limbo.

Sincerely,

Karen

From: Karen DeMaria
Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2014 2:36 PM
To: 'scott.p@aidshelp.cc'; 'john.g@aidshelp.cc'
Cc: 'Rick Milelli'; 'janesjunglework@gmail.com'
Subject: Marty's Place--trees

Scott and John:

In November I received an application to remove and heavy maintenance some trees at Marty's Place—Bertha/Venetia/Dennis Streets. At the time I had questions and sent an e-mail to both Sandra and John regarding the application and the location of the trees. On December 10, 2014, I received a call from Sandra Downs (Tarzan Tree Care) that the two trees requesting removal had been flagged. Today I went and looked at the trees.

A request is being made to remove the Royal Poinciana tree next to 1519 Bertha St (tree #2 on attached map). This tree has already been to the Tree Commission and has received authorization to be removed (see attached copy of landscape plan letter). I can issue a permit to remove that tree fairly quickly.

A request is also being made to remove a Gumbo Limbo tree currently located in front of 1517 and 1519 Bertha St along the walkway. As part of the Final Landscape plan authorized in October 2014 by the Tree Commission, this tree was to remain. Therefore, if a request is now being made to remove this tree, an application must be processed in front of the Tree Commission. The next meeting is January 13, 2015. I will need additional information regarding why this tree must be removed. The letter from Keys

12-18-14
Spoke to John -
he requested we process
both permits.
KD

Karen DeMaria

From: Karen DeMaria
Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2014 5:30 PM
To: 'john.g@aidshelp.cc'
Cc: 'janesjunglework@gmail.com'; 'Rick Milelli'
Subject: 1901 Venetia property and trees

John and Sandy:

I have the application you submitted to remove 2 gumbo limbo trees at the Marty's Place complex and to heavy maintenance trim the Royal Poinciana tree. I need additional information before I can process the application.

1. Please flag the trees that are to be removed. I can not tell from the application where the trees are located. As you may know, I have mapped all of the vegetation on the entire property for the Development Plan and Landscape Plan that was recently processed for the property. I need to verify whether these trees are on the plan to be removed or whether they were to remain.
2. The application states removal of 2 gumbo limbos and heavy maintenance trim 1 Royal Poinciana but the letter from Keys Pest Control states that 1 gumbo and 1 Royal Poinciana had termites. Please correct and clarify. Also, I need additional information regarding the termite infestation—photos of the trees with the termite issue. I looked at the Royal Poinciana and did not see any evidence of termites like I do in other trees around town.

Once I receive the additional information, I will inspect and determine the proper way to process the permit application.

Sincerely,

Karen

Karen DeMaria
Urban Forestry Manager
Certified Arborist
305-809-3768

Sandy in office 11.13.14
maintenance trim Royal
Poinciana - clean at dead
& take off roof
(which Royal?) ok ✓
Flag trees requesting removal.
John out of town.
Hold application
until hear from
John. Love John



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To whom it may concern,

A termite inspection was performed at Marty's Place located at 1901 Venetia, Key West, Florida 33040. A gumbo limbo and poinciana tree were found to be infested with Subterranean Termite. It is recommended that these trees be removed. They pose imminent danger in falling causing injury to people or property.

11/7/2014

Gilbert Font Jr.

Certified Pest Control Operator

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS****Detail by Entity Name****Florida Non Profit Corporation**

A.H. OF MONROE COUNTY, INC.

Filing Information

Document Number	N13659
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Date Filed	03/03/1986
State	FL
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Event Date Filed	01/05/2009
Event Effective Date	NONE

Principal Address1434 KENNEDY DRIVE
KEY WEST, FL 33040

Changed: 06/12/2000

Mailing Address1434 KENNEDY DRIVE
KEY WEST, FL 33040-7008

Changed: 02/11/2011

Registered Agent Name & AddressPRIDGEN, EUGENE S
1434 KENNEDY DRIVE
KEY WEST, FL 33040-7008

Name Changed: 10/26/2012

Address Changed: 08/08/2012

Officer/Director Detail

Name & Address

Title TD

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KEY WEST, FL 33040-7008

Title PD

GREEN, BRYAN C
1434 KENNEDY DRIVE
KEY WEST, FL 33040-7008

Title VD

McChesney, Laura
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KEY WEST, FL 33040-7008

Title MGR

PRIDGEN, EUGENE S
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Title SD

WEEKLEY, SUSAN T
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Annual Reports

Report Year	Filed Date
2012	01/20/2012
2013	01/28/2013
2014	01/09/2014

Document Images

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Scott P. Russell, CFA
Property Appraiser
Monroe County, Florida

Key West (305) 292-3420
Marathon (305) 289-2550
Plantation Key (305) 852-7130

Property Record Card -
Maps are now launching the new map application version.

Alternate Key: 1063835 Parcel ID: 00063400-000000

Ownership Details

Mailing Address:

A.H. OF MONROE COUNTY INC
PO BOX 4374
KEY WEST, FL 33041-4374

Property Details

PC Code: 74 - HOMES FOR THE AGED

Millage
Group: 10KW

Affordable
Housing: No

Section-
Township- 05-68-25

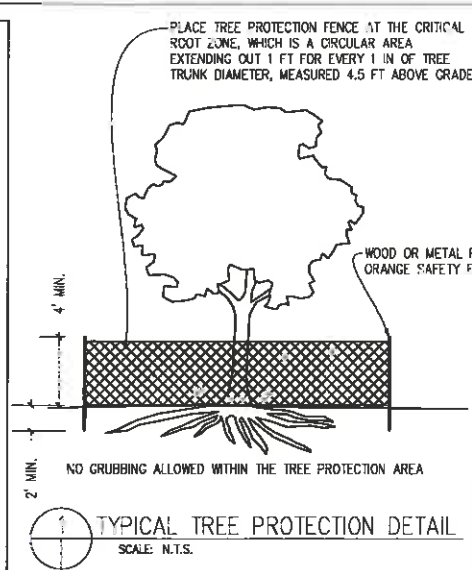
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1525 BERTHA ST KEY WEST
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(LG)

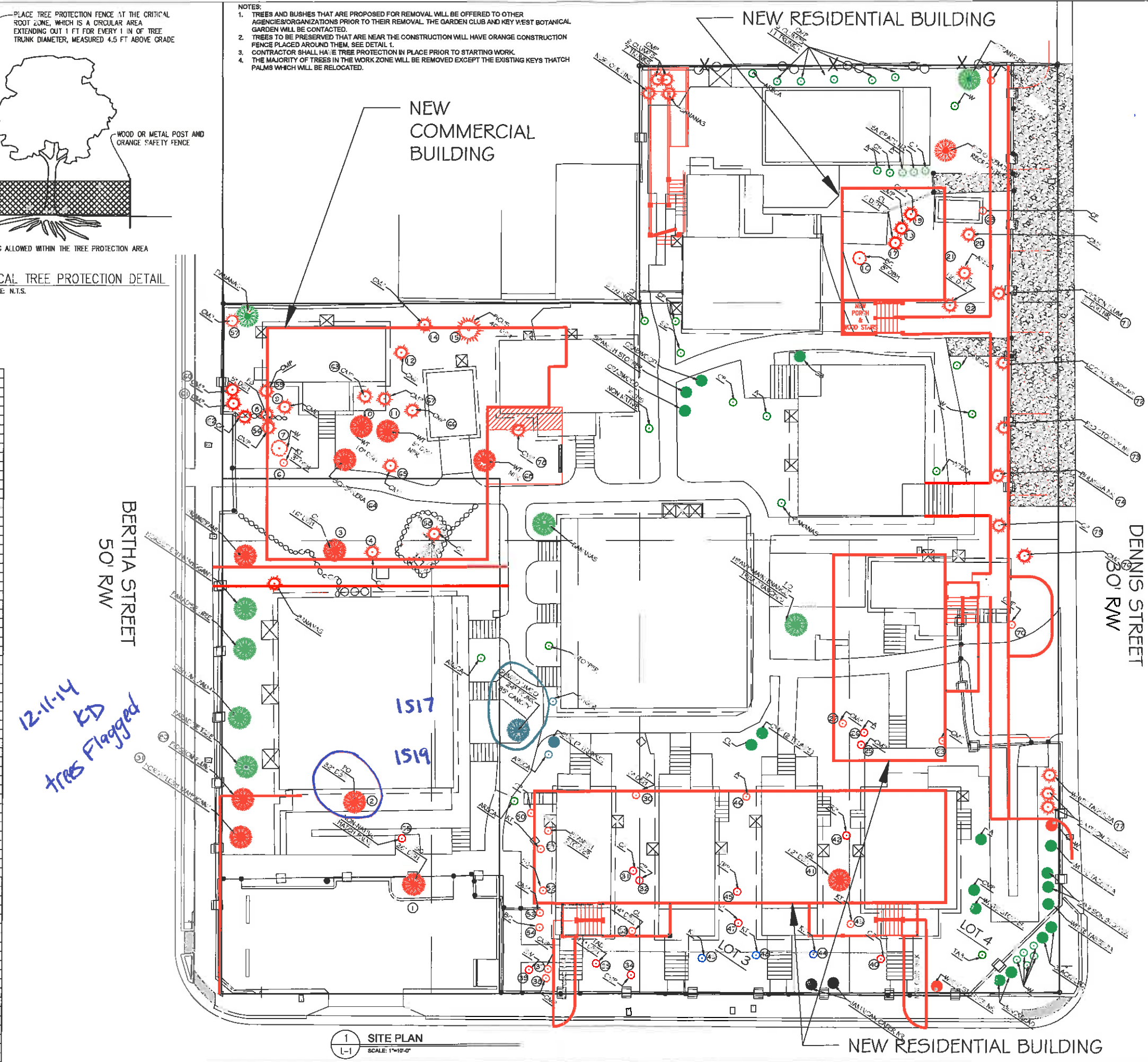
Click Map Image to open interactive viewer

REMARKS	TREE
GL	GRASS
EC	EMERALD GREEN
PL	PLANTING
MT	MOUNTAIN
CP	COCONUT PALM
CM	CHRISTMAS PALM
BC	BUSINESS CHERRY
EM	EMERALD
PP	PLANTING
PC	PLANTING
B	BUSINESS CHERRY
FP	FLORIDA PALM
A	ARIZONA
KT	KENTUCKY
LT	LEAFY
TAB	TREES
E	EMERALD
EC	EMERALD
TTP	TREES
SE	SEMI
NR	NOT REGULATED
NPS	NO PERMIT REQUIRED



- NOTES:
1. TREES AND BUSHES THAT ARE PROPOSED FOR REMOVAL WILL BE OFFERED TO OTHER AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS PRIOR TO THEIR REMOVAL. THE GARDEN CLUB AND KEY WEST BOTANICAL GARDEN WILL BE CONTACTED.
 2. TREES TO BE PRESERVED THAT ARE NEAR THE CONSTRUCTION WILL HAVE ORANGE CONSTRUCTION FENCE PLACED AROUND THEM. SEE DETAIL 1.
 3. CONTRACTOR SHALL HAVE TREE PROTECTION IN PLACE PRIOR TO STARTING WORK.
 4. THE MAJORITY OF TREES IN THE WORK ZONE WILL BE REMOVED EXCEPT THE EXISTING KEYS THATCH PALMS WHICH WILL BE RELOCATED.

TREE ID	Species	DBH	Location/Remarks	Notes
1	Black Olive	26	Remove	N/A
2	Palm	32	Remove	N/A
3	Coconut Palm	38	Remove	N/A
4	Coconut Palm (2 Trunks)		Remove	<10 ft
5	Key Thatch		Relocate	<10 ft
6	Washingtonia		Remove	<10 ft
7	Palm	3	Remove	N/A
8	Christmas Tree Palm		Remove	<10 ft
9	Woman's Tongue	30	Remove	N/A
10	Woman's Tongue	9	Remove	N/A
11	Christmas Tree Palm		Remove	<10 ft
12	Christmas Tree Palm		Remove	<10 ft
13	Christmas Tree Palm (2 Trunks)		Remove	<10 ft
14	Hill Country	46	Remove	N/A
15	Christmas Tree Palm		Remove	N/A
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Meridian Engineering LLC
201 Front Street, Suite 210
Key West, Florida 33040
AUTHORIZATION #28461
PE 052115

Seal:

NOT VALID FOR CONSTRUCTION UNLESS
SIGNED AND SEALED BY THIS ENGINEER
RICHARD J. MILELLI
PE #6315

General Notes:

**AIDS
HELP**
BERTHA AND VENETIA STREETS
KEY WEST, FLORIDA

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