

# STAFF REPORT

DATE: June 24, 2015

RE: **1307 Pine Street (permit application # T15-7461)**

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

An application was received for the removal **of (1) Spanish Lime**. A site inspection was done on June 23, 2015 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Spanish Lime (*Melicoccus bijugatus*)



























Diameter: 23"

Location: 20% (tree impacting house-major issues, canopy in utility lines)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 40% (fair-poor, decay in one of the main trunks, mis-shaped canopy, poor cuts)

Total Average Value = 53%

**Value x Diameter = 12 replacement caliper inches**

**Recommend approval of the removal of (1) Spanish Lime tree at 1307 Pine Street to be replaced with 12 caliper inches of FL#1 dicot trees from approved list.**

# Application





7461

## Tree Permit Application

Date: 6/9/2015

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise.

**Tree Address** 1307 Pine  
**Cross/Corner Street** Between Florida & Georgia Street  
**List Tree Name(s) and Quantity** Male Spanish Lime - CONC.  
**Species Type(s) check all that apply** ( ) 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** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason for Request** The tree and root system is too close to the house and is causing structural damage.

**Property Owner Name** Greg Wheeler  
**Property Owner eMail Address** wheeler.g.j.kw@gmail.com  
**Property Owner Mailing Address** 1307 Pine St.  
**Property Owner Mailing City** Key West **State** FL **Zip** 33040  
**Property Owner Phone Number** (305) 849-0953  
**Property Owner Signature** Greg Wheeler

**Representative Name** A Caring Tree Company  
**Representative eMail Address** Acaringtreecompany@gmail.com  
**Representative Mailing Address** 19264 Acosta Trail  
**Representative Mailing City** Sugarloaf Key **State** FL **Zip** 33042  
**Representative Phone Number** (305) 432-1764

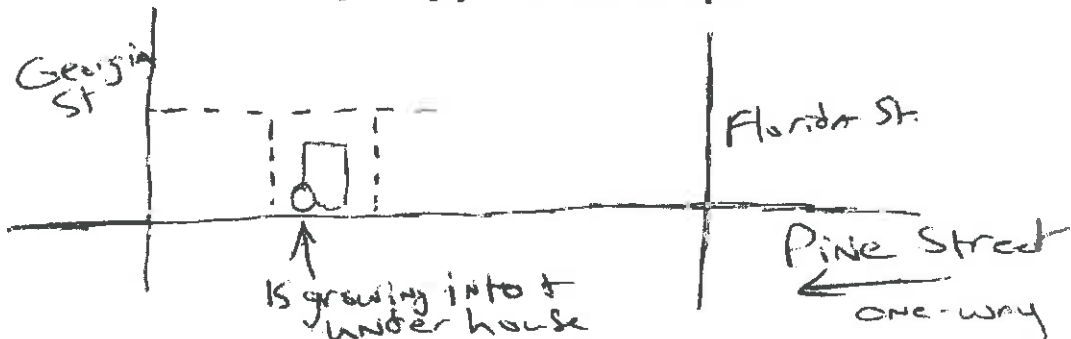
NOTE: A Tree Representation Authorization form must accompany this application if someone other than the owner will be representing the owner at a Tree Commission meeting or picking up an issued Tree Permit.

Tree Representation Authorization form attached ( )

&lt;&lt;&lt;&lt;&lt; Sketch location of tree in this area including cross/corner Street &gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;

Please identify tree(s) with colored tape

Utility lines  
Foundation  
1-5' dbh canopy  
6' 23-15  
73" dbh  
23" 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: 6/9/2015

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 1307 Pine Key West, FL 33040

Property Owner Name Greg Wheeler

Property Owner eMail Address wheeler.gj.kw@gmail.com

Property Owner Mailing Address 1307 Pine Street

Property Owner Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040

Property Owner Phone Number (305) 849-0953

Property Owner Signature [Signature]

Representative Name A Caring Tree Company

Representative eMail Address ACaringTreeCompany@gmail.com

Representative Mailing Address 19264 Acosta Trail

Representative Mailing City Superior Key State FL Zip 33042

Representative Phone Number (305) 432-1764

I Greg Wheeler, 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 are any questions or need access to my property.

Property Owner Signature [Signature]

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this 9 day June 2015.

By (Print name of Affiant) Greg Wheeler who is personally known to me or has produced FL drivers license as identification and who did take an oath.

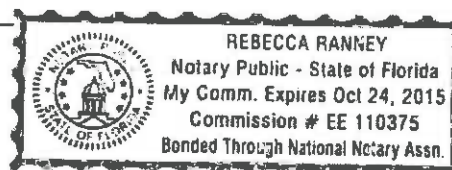
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### NOTARY PUBLIC

Sign Name: [Signature] Notary Public - State of Florida (seal)

Print Name: Rebecca Ranney

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_





## Karen DeMaria

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**From:** Greg Wheeler <Greg.Wheeler@wesleyhouse.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2015 5:09 PM  
**To:** Karen DeMaria  
**Subject:** RE: Tree Replacement

Hi Karen,

I spoke with you yesterday about our request to have a Spanish Lime removed at 1307 Pine.

I'm making a plea to please take into account the other trees we have on the property, when you determine how much we will need to replace. I also have something else for you to consider: Our neighbor is a 92 year old who has very little income. All of the neighbors pitch in and help take care of her. Ms. Lenora has a large Sapodilla that probably needs to be trimmed and I will likely end up footing the bill. Perhaps you could take a look and maybe we could agree to us paying the maintenance on that tree? It is behind her house and you can see it from my backyard, on the right hand side.

In any case, thank you! -Greg

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