

STAFF REPORT

DATE: February 22, 2016

RE: **702 Whitehead Street (permit application # T16-7798)**

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

An application was received requesting the removal of **(1) Strangler Fig** and **(2) Spanish Lime trees**. A site inspection was done on February 3, 2016 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Strangler Fig (*Ficus aurea*)
Spanish Lime (*Melicoccus bijugatus*)















Strangler Fig Diameter: 50.9"

Location: 40% (canopy in utility lines, over Angela street and the church parking area, and impacting property across the street.)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 30% (very poor, major decay in trunk and main branches, structural issues to canopy due to continual heavy trimming)

Total Average Value = 56%

Value x Diameter = 28.5 replacement caliper inches

Spanish Lime Trees Total Diameter: 9.2"

Location: 40% (growing in the root system of strangler fig tree)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 50% (fair, structural issues especially with base)

Total Average Value = 63%

Value x Diameter = 5.7 replacement caliper inches

Note: The City of Key West Engineering department is installing a sidewalk in this area. Usually, they will build the sidewalk around a large tree. Investigation by the Urban Forester determined that it was best to seek removal of the tree.

Recommendation: Recommend approval of the removal of one (1) Strangler Fig and (2) Spanish lime trees at 702 Whitehead Street to be replaced with 34.2 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from approved list, FL#1, to be planted onsite.

Application



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Tree Permit Application



Date: 1/25/2016

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise.

Tree Address 702 Whitehead St, Key West, FL 33040

Cross/Corner Street Angela Street

List Tree Name(s) and Quantity Strangler Fig (1)

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

Additional Information and Explanation Tree is located on City Right-of-Way line and will be impacted by construction of new ADA compliant sidewalk

Property Owner Name Cornish Memorial AME Zion Church

Property Owner eMail Address

Property Owner Mailing Address 702 Whitehead Street

Property Owner Mailing City Key West **State** FL **Zip** 33040

Property Owner Phone Number () -

Property Owner Signature

Representative Name See attached Tree Representation Authorization Form

Representative eMail Address

Representative Mailing Address

Representative Mailing City **State** **Zip**

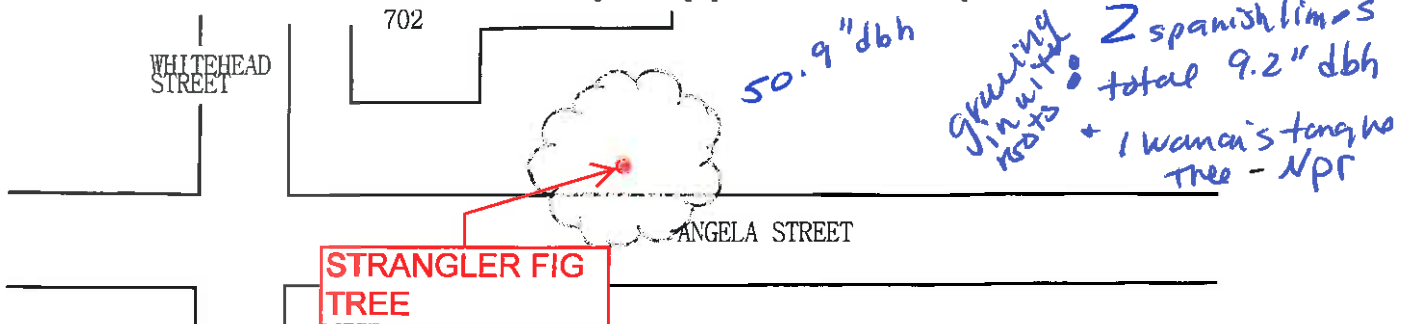
Representative Phone Number () -

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



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



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Tree Permit Application

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Tree Address 702 Whitehead Street ROW
 Cross/Corner Street Angela St
 List Tree Name(s) and Quantity 1-Strangler Fig
 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

Additional Information and Explanation tree in poor health. sidewalk being installed in this location. Tree straddles the property line with AME Zion Church.

Property Owner Name City of Key West
 Property Owner eMail Address _____
 Property Owner Mailing Address PO Box 1409
 Property Owner Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33042
 Property Owner Phone Number (305) 809-3888
 Property Owner Signature JK Schell

Representative Name Gary Volenec - engineering
 Representative eMail Address _____
 Representative Mailing Address _____
 Representative Mailing City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Representative Phone Number (____) _____ - _____

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Property line tree

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Tree Representation Authorization

Date: FEBRUARY 8, 2016

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 702 WHITEHEAD ST & ANGELA ST.Property Owner Name Cornish Memorial AME Zion Church

Property Owner eMail Address _____

Property Owner Mailing Address 702 Whitehead StProperty Owner Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040Property Owner Phone Number (305) 517-6611

Property Owner Signature _____

Representative Name DARLENE M. BENNETTRepresentative eMail Address darlingmb@peoplepc.comRepresentative Mailing Address 619 WICKENS LANERepresentative Mailing City KEY WEST State FL Zip 33040Representative Phone Number (305) 294-1296

I, DARLENE M. BENNETT, 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 Darlene M. Bennett / TRUSTEEThe forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this 8 day February 2016.By (Print name of Affiant) Darlene M. Bennett who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and who did take an oath.

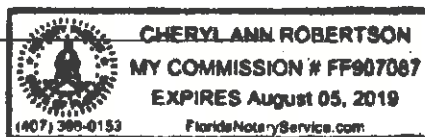
NOTARY PUBLIC

Sign Name: Cheryl Ann Robertson

Notary Public - State of Florida (seal)

Print Name: Cheryl Ann Robertson

My Commission Expires: _____



761 Angelo St



Exit Street View



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Google earth

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Karen DeMaria

From: Gary Volenec
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2016 2:39 PM
To: Clayton Lopez
Cc: James Bouquet; Karen DeMaria
Subject: Angela Street - Tree Removal
Attachments: Tree Removal.jpg; Tree Representation Authorization Form.pdf; Tree Permit Application - 702 Whitehead Street.pdf

Commissioner Lopez,

We are looking to install a new sidewalk along the south side of Angela Street to replace the existing damaged sections and provide for a continuous sidewalk. There is a tree that is adjacent to the Church property that straddles the property line and needs to be removed to install the new ADA compliant sidewalk. The City is prepared to go to the Tree Commission and remove this tree but will need to get authorization from the Church as the tree is partially on the Church property. Can you help facilitate authorization of this action by having the owner and/or appropriate representative complete the attached Tree Representation Authorization Form? It will need to be notarized and returned to us; we will then submit it along with the completed application which I have also attached.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Gary

Gary J. Volenec, P.E.

City Engineer

City of Key West

305 809-3967



Karen DeMaria

From: Karen DeMaria
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2016 4:30 PM
To: 'darlingmb@peoplepc.com'
Subject: Tree removal permit, City of Key West and Cornish Memorial Church

Darlene:

I see you are listed as the representative for the church on the tree removal application. I am reaching out to make sure you understand what is going on. The City of Key West is building a sidewalk along Angela Street and there is a large strangler fig tree in the way. The tree is in very poor condition and is actually jointly owned by the City and the Church as it is on the property line. Someone must be at the Tree Commission meeting on March 8 to represent the tree. Gary Volenec will be there representing the City and right now you are listed to be there representing the church. If attending the meeting is a problem, please let me know and I can explain how we can move forward.

It is the intention of the City that we will be responsible for removing the tree and planting the replacements.

Sincerely,

Karen

Karen DeMaria
Urban Forestry Manager/Tree Commission
Certified Arborist
305-809-3768

Karen DeMaria

From: Darlene <darlingmb@peoplepc.com>
Sent: Friday, February 12, 2016 1:07 AM
To: Karen DeMaria
Subject: Re: Tree removal permit, City of Key West and Cornish Memorial Church

Hi Karen, thank you for the info concerning the
Tree at the church. I will be at the
... meeting on March 8, 2016.
Please let me know where and what
Time this meeting will be held.

In His Service,

Darlene

-----Original Message-----

From: Karen DeMaria
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