STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 31, 2017

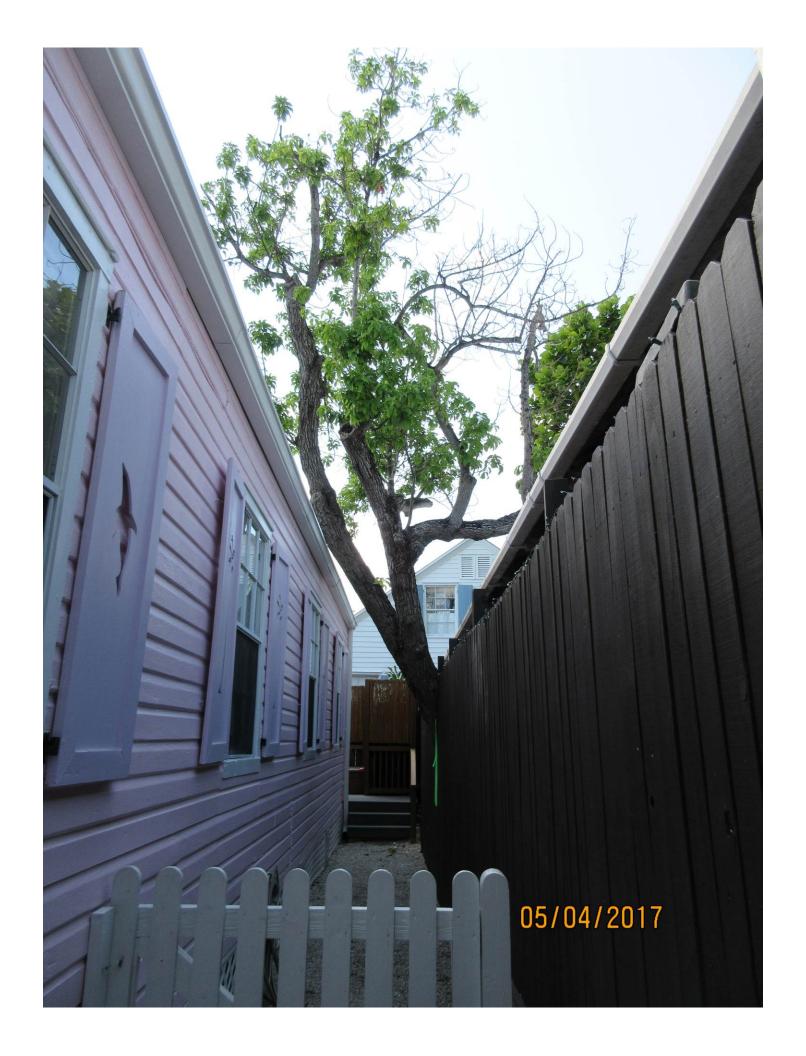
RE: 724 Fleming Street (permit application # T17-8458)

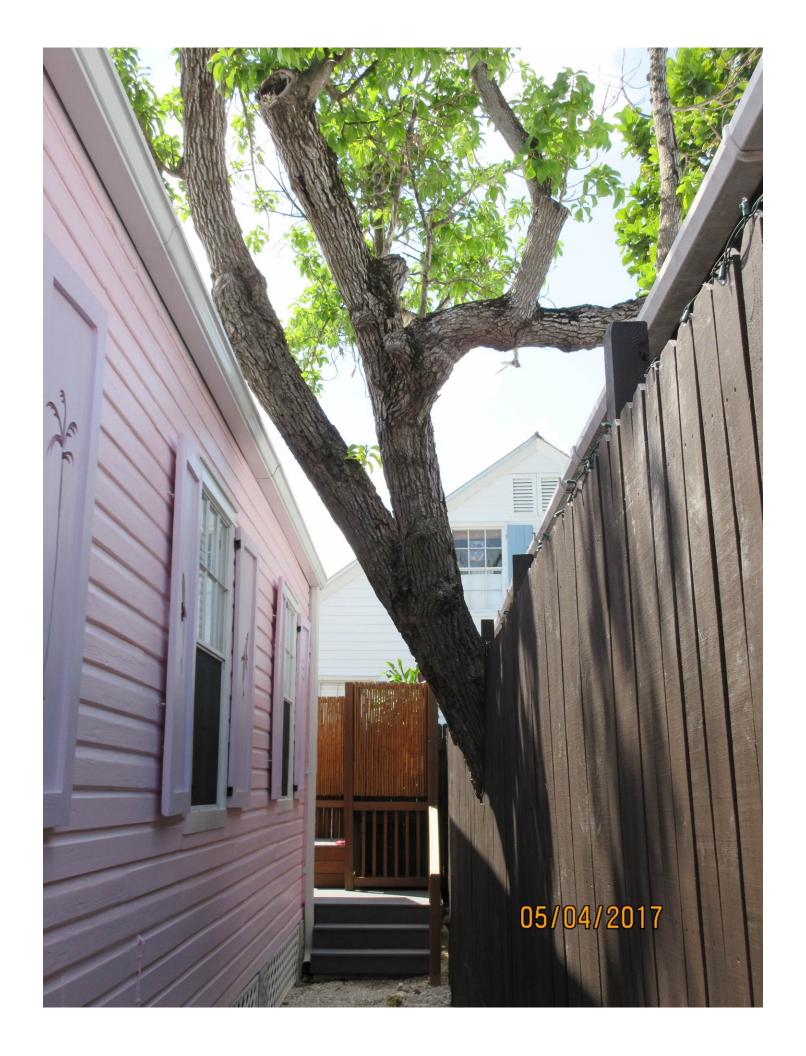
FROM: Karen DeMaria, City of Key West Urban Forestry Manager

An application was received requesting the removal of **(1) Avocado tree**. A site inspection was done on May 4, 2017 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Avocado (Persea americana)

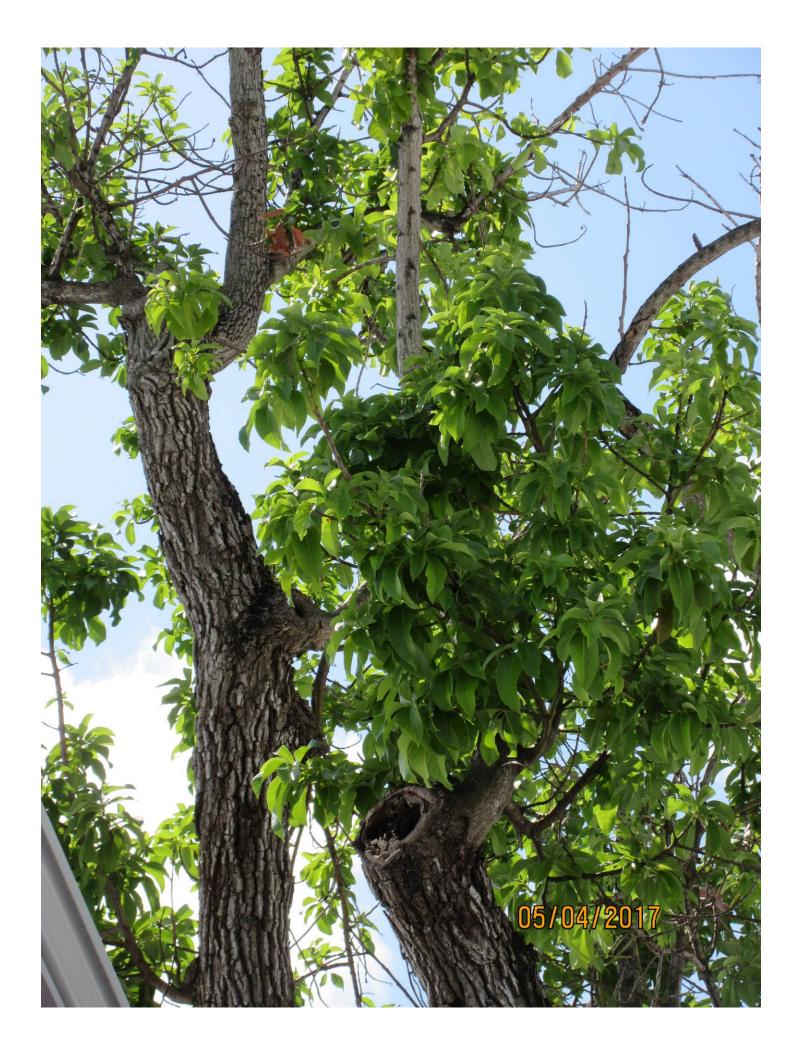


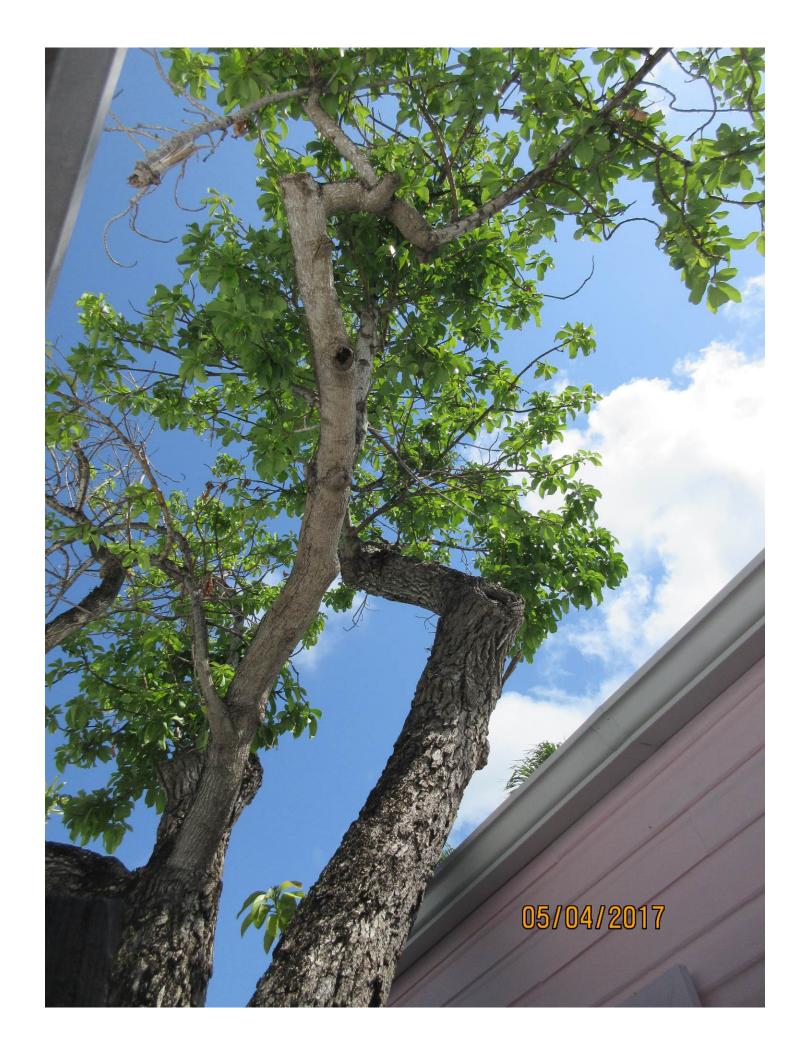


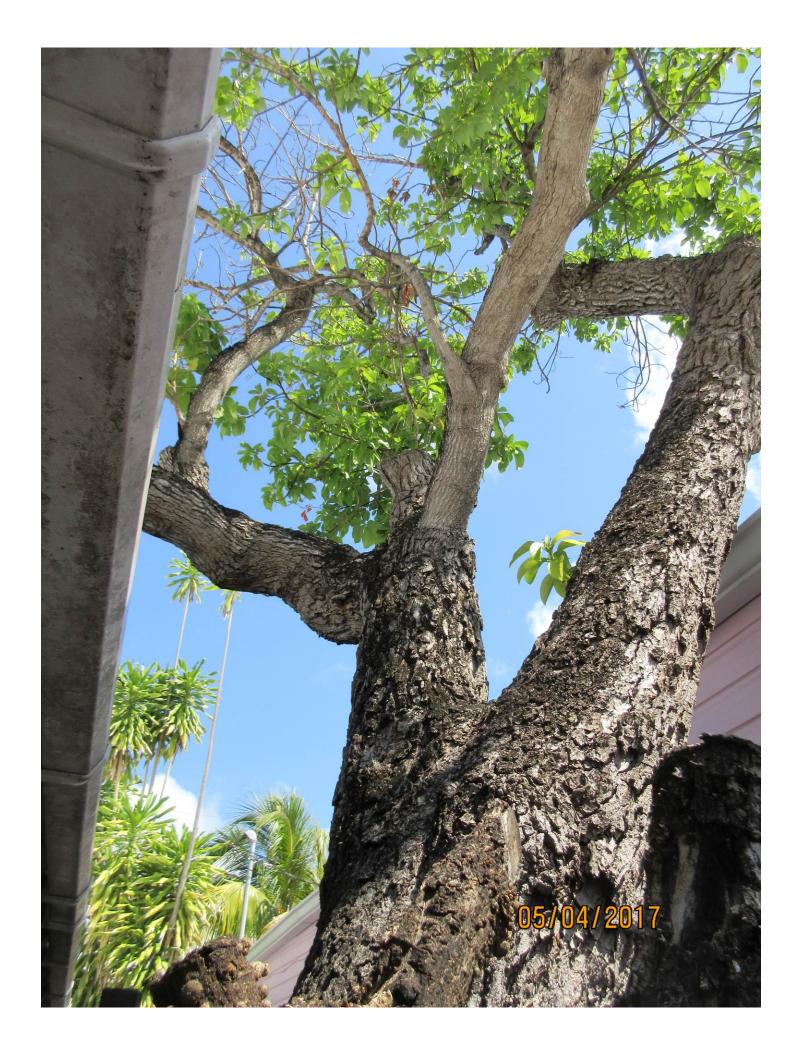














Diameter: 15.2"

Location: 40% (trunks hit against neighboring house during wind events)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 30% (very poor, lots of decay throughout tree, half of canopy is

dead)

Total Average Value = 56%

Value x Diameter = 8.5" replacement caliper inches

Recommendation: Recommend approval of the removal of one (1) Avocado tree at 724 Fleming Street to be replaced with 8.5 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site.

Application





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Tree Permit Application

	Date: 4-20-17
Please Clearly Print A	Il Information unless indicated otherwise.
Tree Address Cross/Corner Street List Tree Name(s) and Quantity	724 FLEMING ST WILLIAM + FLEMING AUACA do () Palm () Flowering () Fruit () Shade () Unsure
	1 (V) Safety () Other/Explain below
	on () Same Property () Other/Explain below
	noval () Crown Cleaning/Thinning () Crown Reduction
Additional Information Last s and Explanation	diseased, produced No Fruit EASON & PREVIOUS SEASON 2 that ella Iblack rot all over them recommission REP) told us it was rotting
Property Owner Name Property Owner eMail Address Property Owner Mailing Address Property Owner Mailing City	Rich ARD FESSIER Reg retto @ Aol, Com 724 FLEMING KEYWEST State FL Zip 33040 (305) 294-6002 — CEIL 305-394-5540 Rule Feelle
owner will be representing the owner at a Tree	State Zip Dorm must accompany this application if someone other than the Commission meeting or picking up an issued Tree Permit. Tree Representation Authorization form attached () this area including cross/corner Street >>>>
Please ident	tify tree(s) with colored tape 4x 5.2 4x 5.2

If this process requires blocking of a City right-of-way, a separate ROW Permit is

required. Please contact 305-809-3740.

Updated: 02/22/2014

April 20, 2017

Jennifer Stephens 726 Fleming Street Key West, FL 33040

The City of Key West Tree Commission Attn: Karen DeMaria 1300 White Street Key West, FL 33040

Dear Karen,

I am writing on behalf of my neighbor and the avocado tree situation we share, located at 724 Fleming Street. The avocado tree base is on my neighbor's property however, it has grown at an angle (closely) over my roof located at 726 Fleming Street. This tree is diseased and has been rotting for several years now. Not only is it decaying and started to fail, it is dangerously close (INCHES) to the roof on my property. It also has large limbs that are over my neighbors house (where base of tree is located). My neighbor, Richard Fessler, and I have agreed that this tree is a detriment to our homes, especially with the strong winds we are currently having here in Key West, not to mention hurricane winds....with this tree now being diseased. We both met with Karen DeMaria on 4//20/17 to discuss this issue. Thank you for your time with this situation.

Janufer Stephens 306 Reacon Ln KW FL 33040 Sincerely,

Jennifer Stephens