

STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 1, 2018

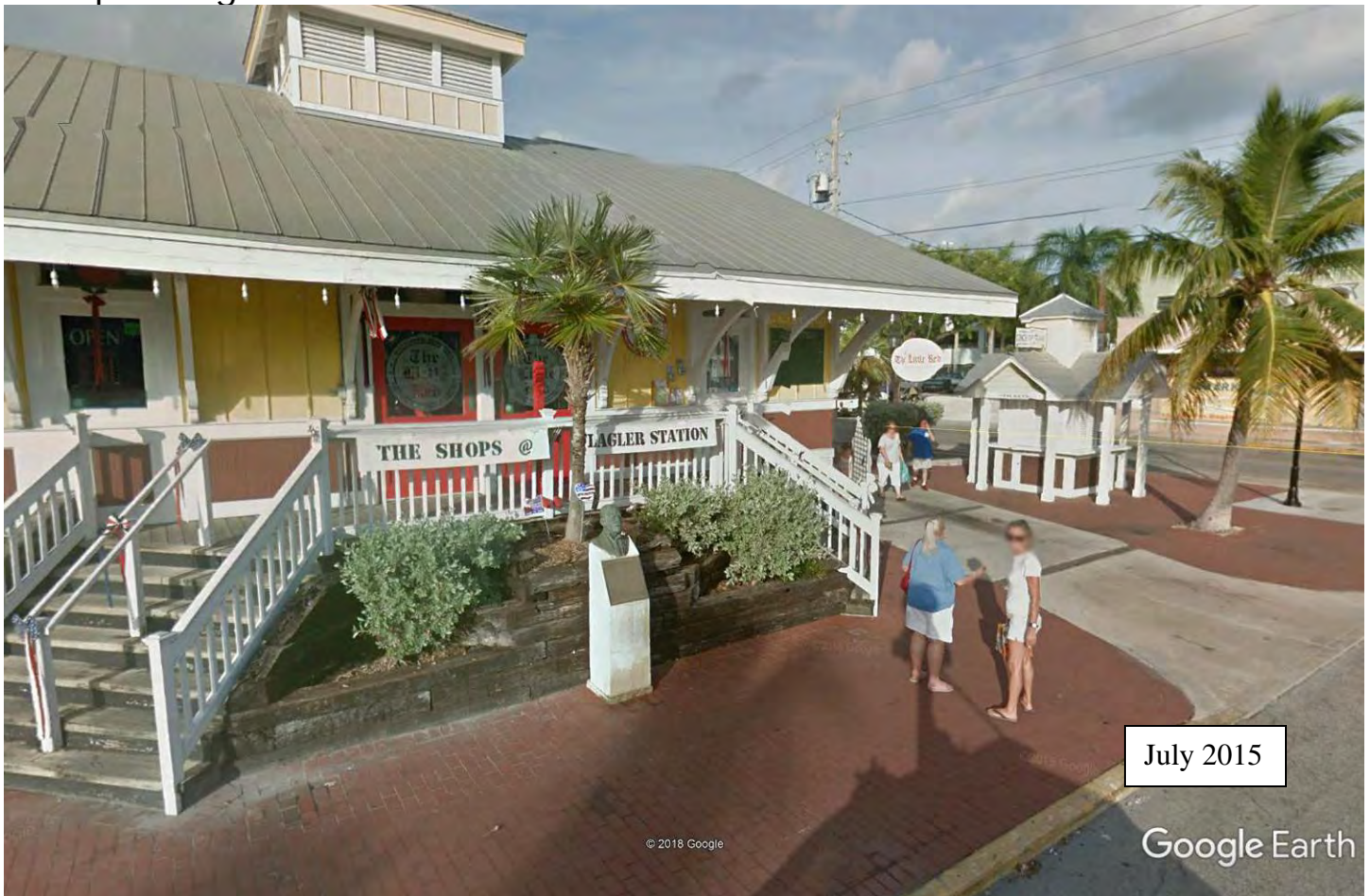
RE: **901 Caroline Street (Flagler Station)**

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

On March 13, 2018, I was contacted by the director and deputy director of Port and Marine Services, Doug Bradshaw and Karen Olson, regarding the removal of a protected Thatch Palm at the Flagler Station. It was discovered that the palm was removed without benefit of a removal permit.

In August 2016, an e-mail from Karen Olson requested information regarding the potential removal of this planter. My response stated that the thatch palm was protected.

Thatch Palms are a protected trees species in the City of Key West and are on the State of Florida Endangered Species list. The palm that was removed was approximately 8 ft tall CT (clear trunk) and was growing in an elevated planter. This palm would have been a great candidate for transplanting.







Recommendation: Recommend the respondent be required to purchase 1 or 2 Thatch Palm trees, minimum 8 ft tall CT to be planted at the Key West Bight in the area, as approved by City staff.

Karen DeMaria

From: Frank Herrada <fherrada@historictours.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 3:53 PM
To: Karen Olson
Cc: Doug Bradshaw; Karen DeMaria
Subject: Re: Flagler Station Tree Removal

Thank for reaching back to me, I apologize for putting you in this situation, I will contact Karen tomorrow in regards to the other trees,

Sincerely,
Frank Herrada

Director of facility management.
201 Front St #310
Key West, FL 33040
Cell: 305-797-2002
Office: 294-3225

On Mar 13, 2018, at 2:51 PM, Karen Olson <kolson@cityofkeywest-fl.gov> wrote:

Hi Frank –

I spoke with Karen DeMaria in regard to the thatch palm removed during planter demolition. As thought the palm will need to be replaced with one of similar size. Also, the other areas of plantings need to be looked at by Karen D. and tree permit applications need to be filled out before any further tree removal occurs.

Please contact Karen D. to get the process moving forward.

Thanks

Karen Olson
Deputy Director
Port and Marine Services
305-809-3803 (O)
305-293-6438 (F)

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Karen DeMaria

From: Doug Bradshaw
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 2:32 PM
To: Karen DeMaria
Cc: Karen Olson
Subject: FW: Flagler Station - Margaret Street
Attachments: IMG_0840.jpg; IMG_4095.jpg

Karen D,

It looks like the folks working here removed the palm. Do we know if they had a permit?

Doug Bradshaw
Director Port and Marine Services
City of Key West
201 William Street
Key West, FL 33040
305-809-3792

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

From: Karen DeMaria
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2016 12:05 PM
To: Karen Olson <kolson@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>
Subject: RE: Flagler Station - Margaret Street

Give me a plan---the thatch palm is protected. I do not regulate the rest of the vegetation.

Regarding the fact that it is a landscape area, I would want to see some sort of landscaping planned in that "area" to offset what is being removed.

Sincerely,

Karen

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

From: Karen Olson
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2016 9:53 AM
To: Karen DeMaria <kdemaria@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>
Subject: Flagler Station - Margaret Street

Hi Karen -

We would like to remove this planting area. What is needed to proceed?

Thanks

Karen Olson
Deputy Director

Port and Marine Services
305-809-3803 (O)
305-293-6438 (F)

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

From: Karen Olson

Sent: Friday, August 26, 2016 9:39 AM

To: Karen Olson <kolson@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>

Subject:



