

STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 30, 2018

RE: **2505 Seidenberg Avenue (permit application # T18-9036)**

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

An application was received requesting the removal of **(1) Mahogany tree**.
A site inspection was done and documented the following:

Tree Species: Mahogany (Swietenia mahagoni)





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March 8, 2018 inspection of exposed root of tree at neighbor's property (2509 Seidenberg).





03/08/2018

Diameter: 23.5"

Location: 40% (close to property line, roots impacting structure)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 80% (healthy tree-has been maintained)

Total Average Value = 73%

Value x Diameter = 17.1 replacement caliper inches

I have been to this property numerous times evaluating the tree. Looking at the exposed root systems on both sides of the tree indicates that root pruning is not an option as too many of the main structural roots of the tree would need to be cut to help alleviate the issues with the foundation and sewer lines. Cutting that many roots would de-stabilize the tree and cause a potential safety issue.

Application



CANOPY
REMOVAL

9036

Tree Permit Application

Date: 5-23-2018

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise.

Tree Address 2505 Seidenberg Ave.
Cross/Corner Street 7th St.
List Tree Name(s) and Quantity 1 Mahogany tree
Species Type(s) check all that apply () Palm () Flowering () Fruit (X) Shade () Unsure
Reason(s) for Application:

(X) REMOVE () Tree Health () Safety (X) Other/Explain below
() TRANSPLANT () New Location () Same Property () Other/Explain below
() HEAVY MAINTENANCE () Branch Removal () Crown Cleaning/Thinning () Crown Reduction
Other/Explain The root system is cracking and lifting the porch and also causing concerns next door.
Reason for Request

Property Owner Name Deborah Peters
Property Owner eMail Address
Property Owner Mailing Address 2505 Seidenberg Ave.
Property Owner Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040
Property Owner Phone Number (305) 849-1844
Property Owner Signature

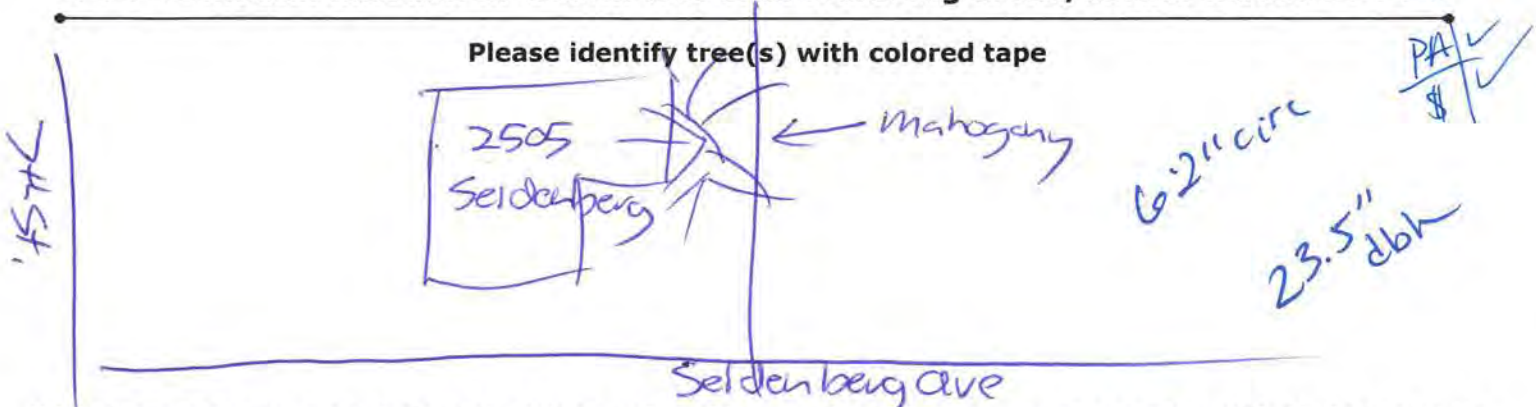
Representative Name Kenneth Kling
Representative eMail Address
Representative Mailing Address 1602 Laurel St.
Representative Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040
Representative Phone Number (305) 296-8101

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.



Tree Representation Authorization

Date: 5-21-18

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 2505 Seidenberg Ave Key West
Property Owner Name Deborah Peters
Property Owner eMail Address DZinkw@COMCAST.NET DZinkw
Property Owner Mailing Address 2505 Seidenberg Ave Key West
Property Owner Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040
Property Owner Phone Number (305) 849-1844
Property Owner Signature [Signature]
Representative Name Kenneth King
Representative eMail Address _____
Representative Mailing Address 1602 Land St.
Representative Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040
Representative Phone Number (305) 296-8101

I DEBORAH PETERS, 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 is there is any questions or need access to my property.

Property Owner Signature [Signature]

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this 21st day May 2018.

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

NOTARY PUBLIC

Sign Name: LeEtta M Aquaro Notary Public - State of Florida (seal)

Print Name: LEETTA M AQUARO

My Commission Expires: _____



DEAR Commissioners:

Address 2505 SEIDENBERG Ave.

It is with great angst that I have to request a permit to remove a mahogany tree located directly next to our porch which is also attached to the side entrance of our home. Believe the tree was PLANTED by previous tenants when property was a rental. Unfortunately they had no knowledge perhaps of the type of tree and how large it would grow. We have exposed the roots to show they are lifting the porch and have caused some cracking to the concrete blocks. My husband has numerous times taken the screen door off to be shaved down so we can shut proper, due to FLOOR on porch being raised. Our neighbors have great concern after Digging up part of their DRIVEWAY that it will NOT TAKE MUCH LONGER

Over →

for the ROOTS TO Reach the
FOUNDATION of their ACTUAL Home
and also the sewer pipes which
are also PLACED through the Driveway
Tree shifted so much During IRMA
that my husband fell through a small
hole near base of tree. Our neighbor
is also voicing concern and fear that
the tree will FALL on their home
with great damage to home. SAID Tree
is LOCATED inbetween our TWO Homes.
Have had tree trimmed many times with
hopes of the growth to eventually
STOP. NOT the case. This is not a
request taken LIGHTLY and will
ENTAIL a great DEAL of money. My
Husband also wants TO save a Large
portion of the tree which can be
repurposed into furniture etc. Keep
doing a great job of educating the
public of proper PLACEMENT of
Shade TREES. Thank-you for your
consideration of this necessary
REMOVAL To save our Homes.

Deborah Peters
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