

# STAFF REPORT

DATE: January 28, 2020

RE: 3815 Duck Avenue (permit application # T2020-0014)

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

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

Tree Species: Strangler Fig (*Ficus aurea*)



Photo showing location of tree.





Photo showing whole tree, view 1.





01/27/2020

Photo showing trunk of tree, view 1.





Photo showing trunk and canopy of tree, view 1.





Photos showing trunk and base of tree, view 1.





Photos showing trunk and base of tree, view 2.



Photo showing canopy of tree, view 2.





Photo of tree canopy showing location of major decay/cracked area.





Close up photo of decay area with cracks.





Photo showing trunk of tree, view 2.





Photo showing trunk of tree, view 3. Thatch palm to be transplanted.





Photo showing whole tree, view 2.



Diameter: 28.6"

Location: 70% (side yard tree, was growing partially intertwined with sea grape tree that was removed due to termite infestation)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 30% (poor, trunk had two canopy trunks-one had to be removed as it was cracked and being held up by sea grape tree that was removed. Second canopy trunk has a decay area with two cracks. Trimming of this trunk to remove potential safety issue would result in no canopy for tree.)

Total Average Value = 66%

Value x Diameter = 18.8 replacement caliper inches



Photos provided by property owner:



Photo showing whole tree.





Close up photo showing decay area with cracks, view 1.





Close up photo of decayed area with cracks, view 2.





Close up photo of crack 1.



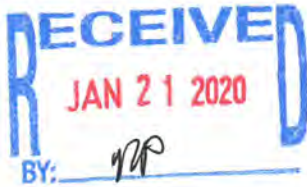


Close up photo of crack 2.



# Application





T2020-0014

## Tree Permit Application

Date: 1-20-2020

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise.

Tree Address 3815 Duck Ave.  
Cross/Corner Street S. Roosevelt Blvd  
List Tree Name(s) and Quantity 1 Strangler Fig Plants  
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 This tree is so one-sided and its canopy is so unbalanced and asymmetrical that it poses a hazard. It would make sense to start over. The owner envisions a fruit tree orchard.

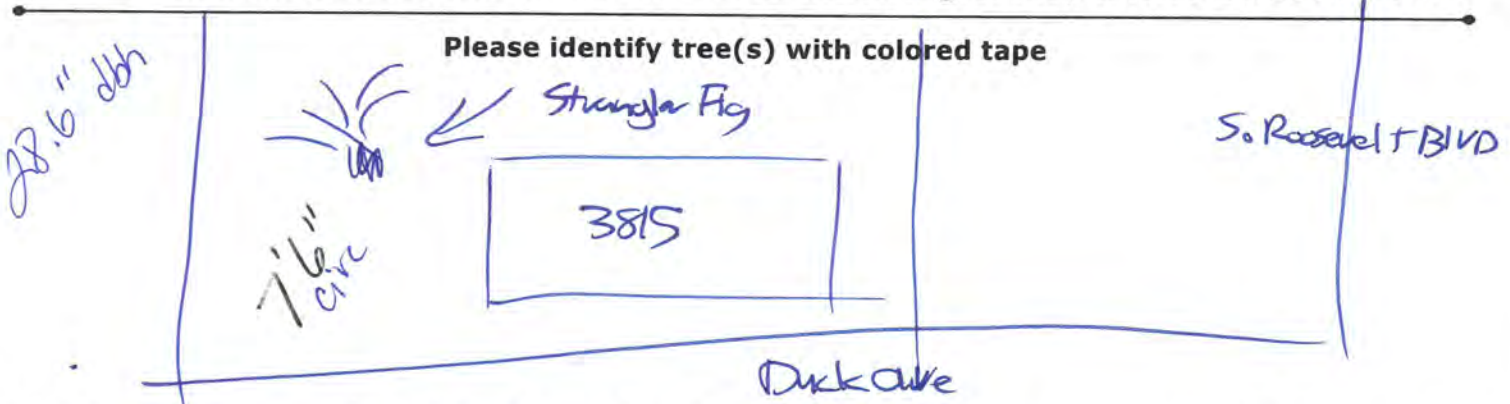
Property Owner Name Steven B. Pearson Trust  
Property Owner eMail Address Steve@StevePearson.com  
Property Owner Mailing Address 3815 Duck Ave.  
Property Owner Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040  
Property Owner Phone Number (760) 250-1627  
Property Owner Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Name Kenneth King  
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.

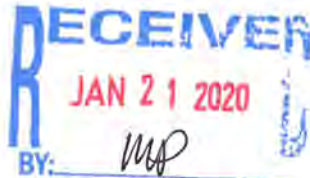
Tree Representation Authorization form attached ( )

<<<<< Sketch location of tree in this area including cross/corner Street >>>>>



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

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.

Date 12/16/19

Tree Address 3815 DUCK AVE, KEY WEST, FL 33040

Property Owner Name STEVEN B. PEARSON TRUST

Property Owner Mailing Address 3815 DUCK AVE

Property Owner Mailing City, State, Zip KEY WEST FL 33040

Property Owner Phone Number 760-250-1627

Property Owner email Address STEVE@STEVEPEARSON.COM

Property Owner Signature Steve Pearson

Representative Name KENNETH KING

Representative Mailing Address 1602 LAIRD ST.

Representative Mailing City, State, Zip KEY WEST, FL, 33040

Representative Phone Number 305-296-8101

Representative email Address \_\_\_\_\_

I STEVEN PEARSON / TRUSTEE 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 Steven Pearson

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this 16 day of December, 2019.  
By (Print name of Affiant) Steven Pearson who is personally known to me or has produced  
FL DL as identification and who did take an oath.

Notary Public

Sign name: Gretel Mendez Diaz

Print name: Gretel Mendez Diaz

My Commission expires: April 02, 2023

Notary Public-State of Florida





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**Summary**

Parcel ID 00054100-000000  
 Account# 1054721  
 Property ID 1054721  
 Millage Group 10KW  
 Location Address 3815 DUCK AVE, KEY WEST  
 Legal Description KW FWDN SUB PLAT 2 PB1-189 LOTS 23 AND 24 SQR 15 OR315-305/306 OR928-1110D/C OR1506-2230/31 OR2853-1155/56 OR2997-2175  
 (Note: Not to be used on legal documents.)  
 Neighborhood 6203  
 Property Class SINGLE FAMILY RESID (0100)  
 Subdivision Key West Foundation Co's Plat No 2  
 Sec/Twp/Rng 34/67/25  
 Affordable Yes  
 Housing

**Owner**

PEARSON STEVEN B TRUST DATED 06/01/2011  
 3815 Duck Ave  
 Key West FL 33040

**Valuation**

	2019	2018	2017	2016
+ Market Improvement Value	\$264,410	\$253,618	\$172,142	\$149,235
+ Market Misc Value	\$39,472	\$39,236	\$40,988	\$43,541
+ Market Land Value	\$365,472	\$371,520	\$518,400	\$627,480
= Just Market Value	\$669,354	\$664,374	\$731,530	\$820,256
= Total Assessed Value	\$669,354	\$664,374	\$341,049	\$334,035
- School Exempt Value	\$0	\$0	(\$25,000)	(\$25,000)
= School Taxable Value	\$669,354	\$664,374	\$316,049	\$309,035

**Land**

Land Use	Number of Units	Unit Type	Frontage	Depth
RESIDENTIAL DRY (0100)	13.500.00	Square Foot	100	135

**Buildings**

Building ID 4393  
 Style GROUND LEVEL  
 Building Type S.F.R. - R1 / R1  
 Gross Sq Ft 1440  
 Finished Sq Ft 1425  
 Stories 1 Floor  
 Condition GOOD  
 Perimeter 164  
 Functional Obs 0  
 Economic Obs 0  
 Depreciation % 3  
 Interior Walls PLYWOOD PANEL  
 Exterior Walls C.B.S.  
 Year Built 1963  
 EffectiveYearBuilt 2015  
 Foundation CONCR FTR  
 Roof Type GABLE/HIP  
 Roof Coverage METAL  
 Flooring Type CONC ABOVE GRD  
 Heating Type FCD/AIR DUCTED with 0% NONE  
 Bedrooms 3  
 Full Bathrooms 2  
 Half Bathrooms 1  
 Grade 600  
 Number of Fire Pl 0

Code	Description	Sketch Area	Finished Area	Perimeter
FLA	FLOOR LIV AREA	1,425	1,425	0
OPU	OP PR UNFIN LL	15	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,440</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>0</b>



A black and white photograph showing a residential property. In the foreground, there is a paved area, possibly a driveway or road. Behind it, there is a line of trees, including several palm trees. A portion of a house is visible behind the trees. The overall scene is a typical suburban or tropical residential setting.

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<https://qpublic.schneidercorp.com/Application.aspx?AppID=605&LayerID=9946&PageTy...> 1/21/2020







## Karen DeMaria

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**From:** Steve Pearson <stevep1116@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 24, 2020 10:17 AM  
**To:** Karen DeMaria  
**Subject:** 3815 Duck Ave Fig tree pics  
**Attachments:** IMG\_20200124\_100247.jpg; IMG\_20200123\_141559.jpg; IMG\_20200123\_141553.jpg; IMG\_20200123\_141534.jpg; IMG\_20200123\_141526.jpg; IMG\_20200123\_163528.jpg

Hi Karen, Attached are pictures to show what is left after removing the Sea Grape. The larger stem you see that was cut off is because it is badly split at the trunk and would have broken off once it no longer had support from the other tree. The Sea Grape core was also infested with termites. The only remaining limb on the fig has a big scar about 20 feet up where the foliage begins and multiple deep cracks in the scarred area. See attached.

Regards, Steve

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.



## Karen DeMaria

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**From:** Steve Pearson <stevep1116@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 24, 2020 10:18 AM  
**To:** Karen DeMaria  
**Subject:** Split limb that was removed.  
**Attachments:** IMG\_20200123\_141713.jpg

I forgot to attach the picture showing damaged area of the limb Kenny removed.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.



