City of Key West, FL

Old City Hall
510 Greene Street
Key West FL 33040

Action Minutes - Final - Final
Tree Commission

Tuesday, October 13, 2015 | **5:00 PM** | **Old City Hall**

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Call Meeting To Order

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call

Absent 2 - Mr. Atwell, and Mr. Jackson

Present 5 - Ms. Bravo, Mr. Kapsch, Mr. Mellies II, Ms. Sullivan, and Ms. Robinson

Approval of Agenda

When asked by Chairman Robin Robinson if there were any changes to the agenda, the Urban Forestry Manager, Ms. Karen DeMaria responded there were none.

A motion was made by Ms. Sue Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Neil Mellies II, that the agenda be approved. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Minutes

1 September 16, 2015 Minutes

Attachments: September 16, 2015 Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Denise Bravo, seconded by Mr. Neil S. Mellies II, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion passed by an unanimous voice vote.

New Business

2 **906 Georgia Street/T15-7573/Lucy Buffett**
Represented by: Shannon Musmanno
Removal: 1-Avocado

Attachments: 906 Georgia Street

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Ms. Sue Sullivan, seconded by Ms. Denise Bravo, that the Action Item be Approved to remove 1-Avocado at 906 Georgia Street and replace with 8.8" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

3 **236 Golf Club Drive ROW/T15-7580/Key West Golf Club HOA**
Represented by: Randy Niles
Removal: 1-Strangler Fig

Attachments: 236 Golf Club Drive

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Ms. Denise Bravo, seconded by Mr. Neil Mellies II, that the Action Item be Approved to remove 1-Strangler Fig at 236 Golf Club Drive ROW and replace with 59" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

4 **700-900 Blocks Caroline Street ROW/T15-7585/City of Key West**
Represented by: Elizabeth Newland
Removal: Final Landscape Plan with Tree Removal: 4-Silver Buttonwood, 1-Soapberry tree

Attachments: 700-900 Blocks Caroline Street ROW

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Mr. Neil Mellies II, seconded by Ms. Sue Sullivan, that the Action Item be Approved for the Final Landscape Plan with Tree Removal: 4-Silver Buttonwood, 1-Soapberry tree at 700-900 Blocks Caroline Street ROW and replace with 28" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

5 **1402 Whalton Street/T15-7591/Washington Street Partners**
Represented by: Kenneth King
Removal: 1-Hog Plum

Attachments: 1402 Whalton Street

PUBLIC COMMENTS:
Paula Carbonell – 1016 South Street

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Ms. Sue Sullivan, seconded by Ms. Denise Bravo, that the Action Item be Approved to remove 1-Hog Plum at 1402 Whalton Street and replace with 8.4" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion Failed by the following roll call vote:

No: 3 - Ms. Bravo, Mr. Kapsch, and Vice Chair Robinson

Absent: 2 - Mr. Atwell, and Chairman Jackson

Yes: 2 - Mr. Mellies II, and Ms. Sullivan

6 **1508 Washington Street/T15-7594/William Hamilton**
Represented by: Kenneth King
Removal: 1-Royal Poinciana

Attachments: 1508 Washington Street

In accordance with Sec. 110-328, a Motion was made by Ms. Sue Sullivan, seconded by Ms. Denise Bravo, to Deny the removal of 1-Royal Poinciana at 1508 Washington Street based on (1) The species, size, champion tree status, historical importance and/or condition of the tree make it a unique or rare specimen; and (2) The size or location of the tree makes it substantial in and easily accessible to public view. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

7 **1515 18th Street/T15-7595/Michael Skrodinsky**
Represented by: Kenneth King
Removal: 1-Mahogany

Attachments: 1515 18th Street

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Ms. Denise Bravo, seconded by Mr. Neil Mellies II, that the Action Item be Approved to remove 1-Mahogany at 1515 18th Street and replace with 20.5" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

8 **541 White Street (Peary Court)/T15-7597/Peary Court Holdings LP**
Represented by: Ladd Roberts/Landwise Design
Conceptual: Conceptual Landcape Design With Tree Removal

Attachments: 541 White Street (Peary Court)

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Ms. Denise Bravo, seconded by Ms. Sue Sullivan, that the Action Item be Approved for the Conceptual Landcape Design With Tree Removal at 541 White Street (Peary Court). The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

9 **1226 South Street/T15-7599/Cynthia Kemeny**
Represented by: Kenneth King
Removal: 1-Sea Grape

Attachments: 1226 South Street

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Ms. Sue Sullivan, seconded by Ms. Denise Bravo, that the Action Item be Approved to remove 1-Sea Grape at 1226 South Street and replace with 11" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

10 **1105 White Street/T15-7600/Fausto's Investments Corp**
Represented by: Kenneth King

Removal: 5-Jatropha trees

Attachments: 1105 White Street

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Mr. Neil Mellies II, seconded by Ms. Denise Bravo, that the Action Item be Approved to remove 5-Jatropha trees at 1105 White Street and replace with 15.3" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

11 **729 Catherine Street/T15-7601/Richard Houde**
Represented by: Kenneth King
Removal: 1-Mahogony

Attachments: 729 Catherine Street

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Ms. Sue Sullivan, seconded by Ms. Denise Bravo, that the Action Item be Approved to remove 1-Mahogony at 729 Catherine Street and replace with 12.6" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

12 **2500 N Roosevelt Boulevard/T15-7604/Gary Onderdonk**
2500 N Roosevelt LLC
Represented by: Rick Milelli
Removal: 1-Green Buttonwood

Attachments: 2500 N Roosevelt Boulevard

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Ms. Denise Bravo, seconded by Mr. Neil Mellies II, that the Action Item be Approved to remove 1-Green Buttonwood at 2500 N Roosevelt Boulevard and replace with 12" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

13 **Palm Tree Purchase**

A Motion was made by Ms. Denise Bravo, seconded by Ms. Sue Sullivan, to approve the purchase from Shade Tree of 1 coconut palm tree for $875 to replace a coconut palm tree located in the right-of-way across from 3824 N Roosevelt Boulevard, which was destroyed by a vehicle with the understanding that the monies will be replaced once the insurance payment is received. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

Administrative Hearing

14 **1109 Windsor Lane / Key West PH LLC - Owen Ewing (Owner)**
Respondent: Kenneth King
Alleged Violation:
Tree abuse - Improper and unauthorized trimming of 1-Silver Buttonwood tree. Unauthorized removal of 1-Japanese Fern Tree.

Attachments: 1109 Windsor Lane- Administrative Hearing

When asked by the Assistant City Attorney, Ron Ramsingh, if he would like to enter into a Compliance Settlement Agreement with the Tree Commission, the respondent, Kenneth King, stated he would.

In accordance with Sec. 110-327, a Motion was made by Ms. Sue Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Neil Mellies, that the respondent submit an After-The-Fact tree removal application and replace the trees with 23" caliper inches, FL#1, native dicot, or fruit trees from the approved list, to be planted on site. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote. No Public input.

Public Comments

PUBLIC COMMENTS:
Joe Hall - 301 Elizabeth Street

Urban Forestry Program Manager's Report

14 **September 2015 TC Monthly Report**

Attachments: September 2015 TC Monthly Report

Received and Filed

Assistant City Attorney's Report

Comments from Commissioners

Adjournment