

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

DATE: April 27, 2012

RE: 109 Front Street

FROM: Paul Williams, Urban Forestry Manager, City of Key West

An application was received for the removal of ten (10) Cabbage Palm trees. A site inspection was done on April 27, 2012 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Cabbage Palm (Sabal palmetto)



Diameter: N/A - palms

Location: **60%** - by wall, fences and pool

Species: **100%** - on protected tree list

Condition: **80%** - good condition

Total Average Value = N/A palms

Value x Diameter = replacement caliper (dbh) inches

Replace with ten (10) native palms if tree removal permit is approved by the Tree Commission.



Recommendations: Staff recommends *denial* of the permit. This palm tree is the # 1 storm resistant tree in Florida and requires no watering or fertilization. Maintenance is easy because you only have to pick up dead fronds and seed stalks when they fall to the ground. If the berry like fruit is the problem they only have to cut the seed stalks before they open.