

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

DATE: June 24, 2013

RE: 3200 Flagler Avenue (permit application # 6446)

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

An application was received for the removal of **(2) Autograph Trees**. A site inspection was done on June 21, 2013 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Autograph Tree (*Clusia rosea*)



1. Diameter: 5.7 inches





Location: 80% (in a raised planter, no foundation issues or utility lines)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 80% (good condition, healthy, canopy is a misshapen)

Total Average Value = 86%

Value x Diameter = **4.9 replacement caliper (dbh) inches**

2. Diameter: 7 inches







Location: 80% (in a raised planter, no foundation issues or utility lines)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 80% (good)

Total Average Value = 86%

Value x Diameter = **6 replacement caliper (dbh) inches**

The applicant and the other business interests using the building are complaining about the seed pods from the tree creating a safety issue for people walking in the area and using the stairs.

Originally, there was a discussion about transplanting the trees. DOT Palm has submitted a letter stating that transplantation would not be successful.

Comments: Removal of healthy trees because of the issues with the seed pods is not a reasonable request when alternatives exist. A maintenance plan could be created that would remove the seed pods before they became an issue. It is understandable that relocation might not be an alternative due to the growth of the trees in a raised brick planter. The entire planter would have to be removed in order to get a good root ball for each tree. Therefore, the issue of cost effectiveness comes into play.

If trees are to be removed, total replacement would be 10.9 caliper inches.



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City of Key West Tree Commission

Tree Permit Application

PO Box 1409
Key West, FL 33040
Phone: 305-809-3764
Fax: 305-809-3978

Home/Property Owner: Bank of America Date: May 9, 2013

Mailing Address: 3200 Flagler ^{Ave} Street Key West Florida 33040

Owner Signature: Kevin C. Mander Owner Ph#: (305) 295-2051

Represented by: DOT Palm Landscaping Rep. Ph#: 305 481-0959

Represented by mailing address: 5200 Overseas Hwy Marathon, FL

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.

A letter of representation from the owner must accompany this application if the owner is unable to attend.

Letter of Representation (X)

Tree(s) Address: 3200 Flagler ^{Ave} Street Cross/Corner Street: 14th Street

Common Name(s): Autograph Tree - 2 Scientific Name(s): Clusia Rosea

Species Type(s) {check all that apply}: () Palm () Flowering (X) Fruit () Shade

Reason(s) for Application {check all that apply}:

- (X) REMOVE () TRANSPLANT () HEAVY MAINTENANCE
- () Tree Health () New Location () Branch Removal
- (X) Safety () Same Property () Crown Cleaning/Thinning
- () Other / Explain () Other / Explain () Crown Reduction

Reason(s) for request:

Safety issue berries falling possible people
slip and fall. Replace with Pigeon plum in
another area of property.

Replacement plant material must be Florida Grade #1. Replacement of a palm with a native palm is required. Replacement of a canopy tree with a native canopy tree is required. If you need assistance with replacements, please call the Landscape Department at 305-809-3764.

1/4 of authorization OK ✓

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

Provide access for viewing tree(s) prior to meeting
Identify tree(s) with colored tape

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1 1'6" = 5.7" d.
18"

2 1'10" = 7" d.
22"



Tree Species Clusia Rosea Know as the signature tree

Circumference 12-14 $\div 3.14 =$ diameter 4.1

Location _____ % Species _____ % Condition _____ % Total Average Value _____ %

Avg. value _____ X _____ Diameter = _____

Replacement Inches

LOCATION: OLD CITY HALL, 510 GREENE STREET, 5:00 p.m.

FOR TREE COMMISSION USE ONLY.

() TABLED () APPROVED () DENIED () FURTHER ACTION

COMMENTS: _____

CHAIRPERSONS SIGNATURE/DATE

City Engineer comments if required: _____

ENGINEER'S SIGNATURE/DATE





Bank of America
FL7-746-01-01
3200 Flagler Avenue
Key West, FL 33040

June 4, 2013

City of Key West Tree Commission

P.O. Box 1409

Key West, FL 33040

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please be advised that I am the Vice President Banking Center Manager of the Key West Flagler Banking Center for Bank of America located at 3200 Flagler Avenue, Key West FL.

If additional information is required, please contact me at 305.295.2051.

Respectfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin C. Leander".

Kevin C Leander

Vice President / Banking Center Manager



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Bank of America
FL7-746-01-01
3200 Flagler Avenue
Key West, FL 33040

June 14, 2013

City of Key West Tree Commission

P.O. Box 1409

Key West, FL 33041

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Autograph Tree located at 3200 Flagler Avenue, Key West, FL

Please be advised that I authorize a representative from the landscaping company, Dot Palm to represent the bank at the meeting of the Key West Tree Commission regarding the Autograph Tree located at 3200 Flagler Avenue, Key West, FL.

If additional information is required, please contact me at 305.295.2051.

Respectfully,

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Kevin C Leander

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To the Key West Tree Commission,

With regard to the application from Bank of America to remove an Autograph tree. Obviously, our client wants the tree gone for the reason they stated in the application. They were willing to have it transplanted however we don't believe this will be successful, thus, making it a waste of money. The bed the tree is planted in is not big enough to allow for a proper root ball to be dug.

In order to transplant a tree successfully, a proper root ball must be attained. Unfortunately in this situation it can't be attained. I have been transplanting trees for over 30 years and it is my professional opinion the tree should be removed and then mitigated.

Thank you for your consideration,

John H. Harrison

President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John H. Harrison", is written over the printed name and title.

6-20-13

Dot Palm Landscaping Inc.