

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

DATE: May 16, 2013

**RE: 906 Florida St ROW (permit application # 6414 )**

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

An application was submitted for the maintenance trimming of **(1) Gumbo Limbo tree**. A site inspection was done on May 16, 2013 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Gumbo Limbo (*Bursera simaruba*)





The homeowner at 906 Florida St complained to Keys Energy about the tree limbs in the utility lines. It was determined by the City of Key West and Keys Energy that the tree limbs from the City tree were in the cable/phone lines.

It appears that several larger branches will need to be cut and possibly more than 30% of the tree will be trimmed. Therefore, the City is requesting a permit to maintenance trim the tree.

**Recommendations: Issue a permit to maintenance trim the gumbo limbo tree in the ROW in front of 906 Florida St.**





6414

City of Key West Tree Commission

Tree Permit Application ✓

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

RE#: \_\_\_\_\_

Alt Key: \_\_\_\_\_

TC  
June 2013  
KRW

Home/Property Owner: City of Key West Date: 5-13-13

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Owner Ph#: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Represented by: Karen Demonia Rep. Ph#: 305 809-3768

Represented by mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

**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 ( )

Tree(s) Address: 906 Florida St ROW Cross/Corner Street: \_\_\_\_\_

Common Name(s): Gumbo limbo Scientific Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

- Reason(s) for Application {check all that apply}:
- ( ) REMOVE
  - ( ) Tree Health
  - ( ) Safety
  - ( ) Other / Explain
  - ( ) TRANSPLANT
  - ( ) New Location
  - ( ) Same Property
  - ( ) Other / Explain
  - ( ) HEAVY MAINTENANCE
  - Branch Removal
  - ( ) Crown Cleaning/Thinning
  - ( ) Crown Reduction

Reason(s) for request:  
branches are in utility lines - cable + phone.  
need to trim to branches away from lines.

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 305-809-3723. If this process requires blocking of a city right-of-way, a separate ROW Permit is required. Please contact Diane Nicklaus 305-809-3951.



Karen DeMaria <kdemaria@keywestcity.com>

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**Re: FW: 906 Florida St.**

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**Karen DeMaria** <kdemaria@keywestcity.com>  
To: Jay Gewin <jgewin@keywestcity.com>  
Cc: "Finigan, Dale" <Dale.Finigan@keysenergy.com>

Mon, Feb 11, 2013 at 3:44 PM

I looked at the Gumbo Limbo tree that sits in the easement under the utility lines at 906 Florida St with Tony Boza, the landscape crew chief. The branch is growing in and around what appears to be guidewires. I would recommend that two branches be removed and yes, a permit would be required for major maintenance trimming of the tree. I have attached two photos of the tree.

Now the question is, who should trim the tree? Keys Energy or City of Key West?

Sincerely,

Karen DeMaria  
Interim Urban Forestry Manager  
[305-809-3768](tel:305-809-3768)

On Thu, Feb 7, 2013 at 4:20 PM, Jay Gewin <jgewin@keywestcity.com> wrote:  
[Quoted text hidden]

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**3 attachments**



**906 FI 1.jpg**  
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**906 FI 2.jpg**  
5532K



**906 Fl 3.jpg**  
5369K



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**Re: FW: 906 Florida St.**

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Finigan, Dale <Dale.Finigan@keysenergy.com>  
To: Karen DeMaria <kdemaria@keywestcity.com>

Wed, May 8, 2013 at 1:20 PM

see email from supervisor on this topic

-----Original Message-----

From: Newton, James  
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 1:11 PM  
To: Finigan, Dale  
Cc: Karen DeMaria; Grassi, Tommy  
Subject: Re: 906 Florida St.- trees

When I spoke to Tony the city was going to trim. I told him of he needs our help it to let me know. He never called back for help.

Sent from my iPhone