



City of Key West, FL

City Hall
1300 White Street
Key West FL 33040

Action Minutes - Final

Tree Commission

Monday, November 7, 2022

5:00 PM

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Call Meeting To Order - 5:00 P.M.

Roll Call

Absent 1 - Commissioner Bravo

Present 6 - Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cullen, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Approval of Agenda - Approved Unanimously to include one Add-on

Approval of Minutes

Administering the Oath by the Clerk of the Commission

1 October 4, 2022

A motion was made by Vice Chair Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cunningham, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

New Business

2 Approve 2023 Proposed Meeting Dates

A motion was made by Vice Chair Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, that the Action Item be Approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

3 812 Simonton Street Rear/T2022-0370/Philip Haflin
Represented by: Sean Creedon-Treeman
Requesting approval to remove (1) Seagrape tree.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Pope and seconded by Commissioner Cunningham in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Sea Grape tree at 812 Simonton Street Rear to be replaced with 6.7" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

4 415 United Street/T2022-0375/Danny Thornton
Represented by: Sean Creedon-Treeman
Requesting approval to remove (1) Jamaican Caper tree.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham and seconded by Commissioner Cabanas in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Jamaican Caper tree at 415 United Street to be replaced with 5.5" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Administrative Hearing**5 2811 N. Roosevelt Blvd/TC2022-0009/Key Home Investors LLC**
Respondent: Apex Companies LLC
Numerous trees and palms have been removed from the stormwater swale area of the Home Depot without benefit of tree removal permits.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham and seconded by Vice Chair Pope in accordance with Sec. 110-291, that the City of Key West enter into a compliance settlement agreement with Apex Companies, for the improper removal of various trees and palms without benefit of a permit at 2811 N Roosevelt Blvd. Respondent agreed to coordinate with the Urban Forestry Manager with the storm water management plan to come up with a plan to replace 47.9" caliper inches of dicot trees, FL#1, from approved list, and (8) Palm trees, minimum 8ft tall, each palm, from approved list, to be planted onsite to provide screening. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

6 3420 N. Roosevelt Blvd/TC2022-00010/DiamondRock Key West

Respondent: Blue Native Landscaping

A bottlebrush tree that was growing with a strangler fig tree was removed from the pool area of Havana Cabana without benefit of a tree removal permit.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Pope and seconded by Commissioner Cabanas in accordance with Sec. 110-291, that the City of Key West enter into a compliance settlement agreement with Blue Native Landscaping for the improper removal of (1) Bottlebrush tree without benefit of a permit at 3420 N Roosevelt Blvd. Respondent agreed to replace 12" caliper inches of dicot tree(s), FL#1, from approved list to be planted onsite. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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1008 White Street/TC2022-00011

Respondent: George T. Pallas

One Avocado tree was removed without benefit of a tree removal permit.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Pope and seconded by Commissioner Cunningham in accordance with Sec. 110-291, that the City of Key West enter into a compliance settlement agreement with George T Pallas for the improper removal of (1) Avocado tree without benefit of a permit at 1008 White Street. Respondent agreed to replace 14" caliper inches of dicot tree(s), FL#1, from approved list to be planted onsite. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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918 Fort Street/TP2022-0023/The Naval Properties Local Development Authority of Key West

Represented by: Anthony J. Davila-Smith Hawks

Requesting landscape plan approval for the development of an affordable residential housing complex.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham and seconded by Vice Chair Pope to approve the revised landscape plan dated October 20, 2022, as presented. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

New Business - Con't

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2923 Harris Avenue/T2022-0360/Suzanne Grace Walters

Represented by: Clifton Turner-Shorty's Tree and Lawn Care

Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Vice Chair Pope, that the Action Item be Tabled to the end of the Meeting.

Then, a motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Vice Chair Pope, that the Action Item be Postponed to December 12, 2022. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Reports

10 Urban Forestry Manager's Report

Received and Filed

Assistant City Attorney's Report

Public Comments

Commissioner Comments

Adjournment - 6:22 P.M.