

Staff Report

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

DATE: December 27, 2013

RE: 53 Spoonbill Way (permit application #6654)

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

An application was received for the removal of **(1) Gumbo Limbo tree**. A site inspection was done on December 20, 2013 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Gumbo Limbo (*Bursera simaruba*)



Diameter: 18"

Location: 20% (major root issues, canopy impacting roofs)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 60% (fair, some included bark)

Total Average Value = 60%

Value x Diameter = **10 replacement caliper (dbh) inches**









Gumbo
Roots



Recommendations: Recommend approval of the removal of (1) Gumbo Limbo tree located at 53 Spoonbill Way, to be replaced with 10 caliper inches of FL#1 native dicot or fruit tree.

Application



6654

City of Key West Tree Commission

Tree Permit Application

12.20.13
Jan 2014
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PO Box 1409
Key West, FL 33040
Phone: 305-809-3764
Fax: 305-809-3978

RE#: _____

Alt Key: _____

Home/Property Owner: MICHAEL deBETTENCOURT Date: DEC. 13, 2013

Mailing Address: 53 SPOONBILL WAY 33040

Owner Signature: Michael deBettencourt Owner Ph#: 443 642-7332

Represented by: _____ Rep. Ph#: () _____

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: 53 SPOONBILL WAY Cross/Corner Street: GOLF CLUB DRIVE

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

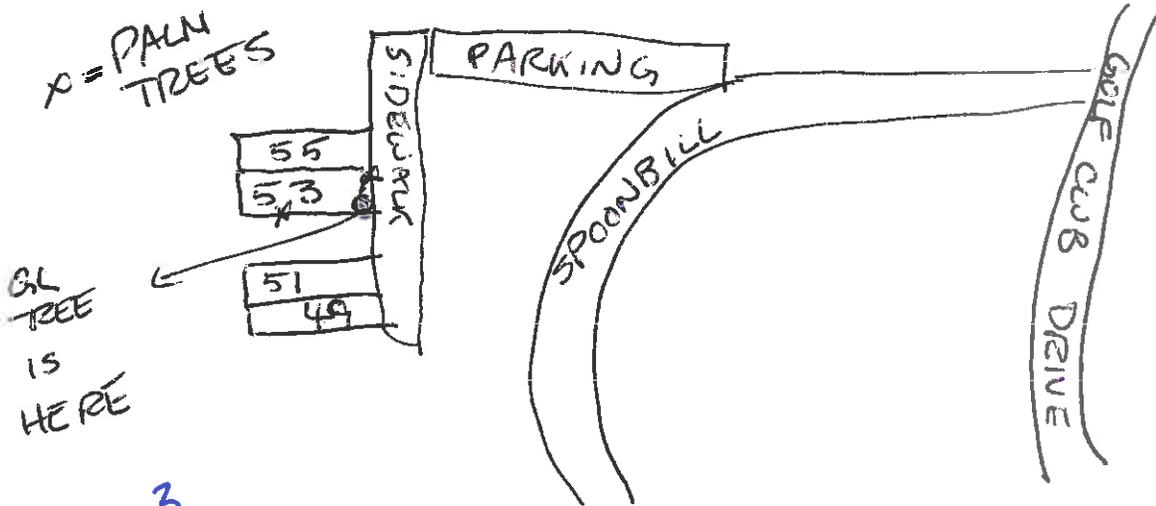
Reason(s) for request:

GL-ROOTS PUSHING UP SIDEWALK
PALM- PUSHING ON FENCE, SIDEWALK → separate permit #0072

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.

<<<< 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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Tree Species Gumbo Limbo

Circumference 4'9" = 57" ÷ 3.14 = diameter 18"

Location 20 % Species 100 % Condition 60 % Total Average Value 60 %

Avg. value .60 X 18" Diameter = 10"
*included dark several areas
impairing root next door - major root issue*

Replacement Inches

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

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

COMMENTS:
