

**TREE COMMISSION TREE REMOVAL REPORT
CITY of KEY WEST**

PROPERTY: Key West Cemetery

APPLICATION NUMBER: T2025-0245

REQUEST: The applicant is requesting removal of (2) Strangler fig Trees.

TREE ASSESSMENT and PHOTOS



One of many tombstones being consumed by the strangler fig.







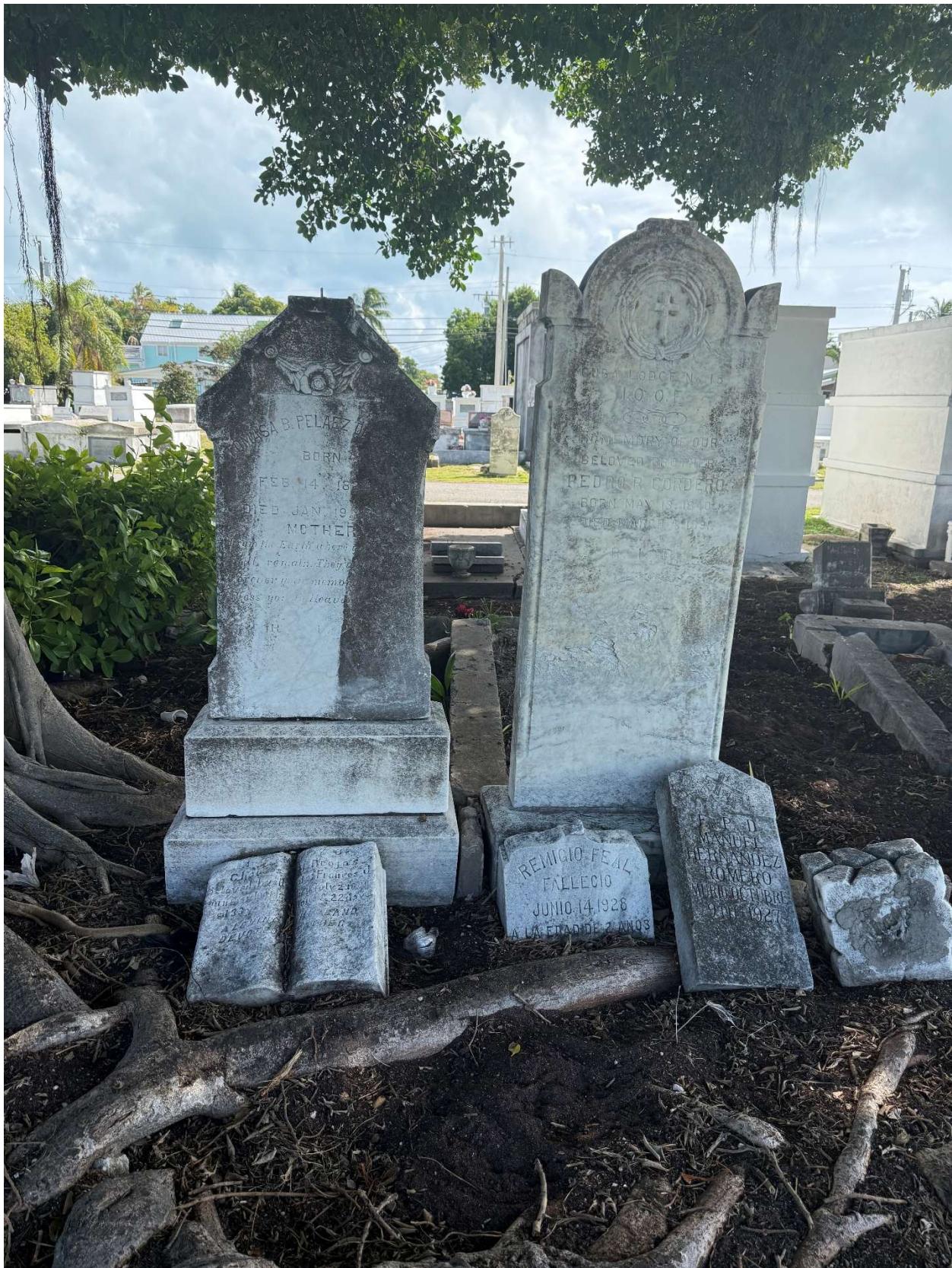
Both trees are enormous and breaking up slabs, burial sites, and tombstones.









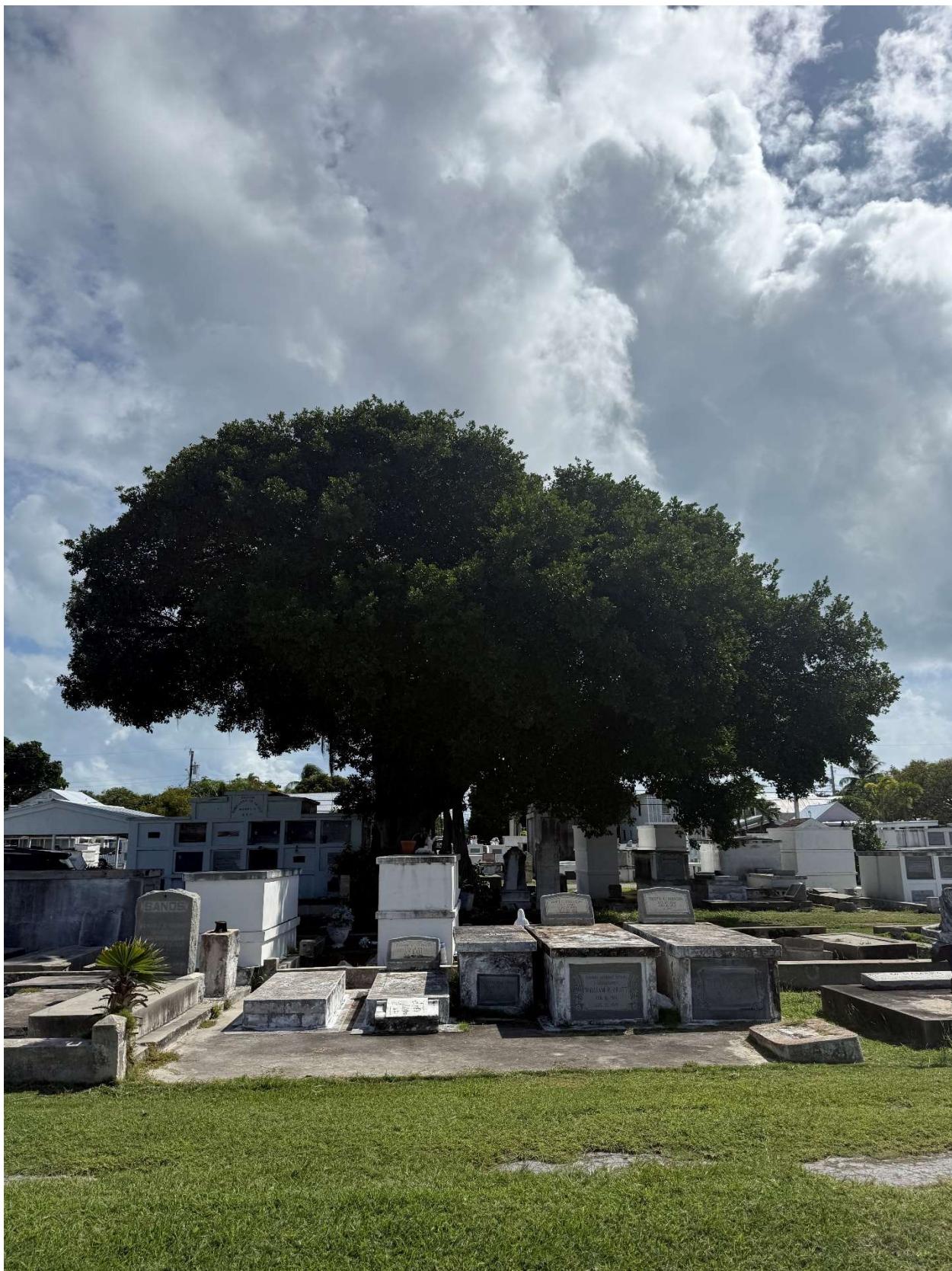


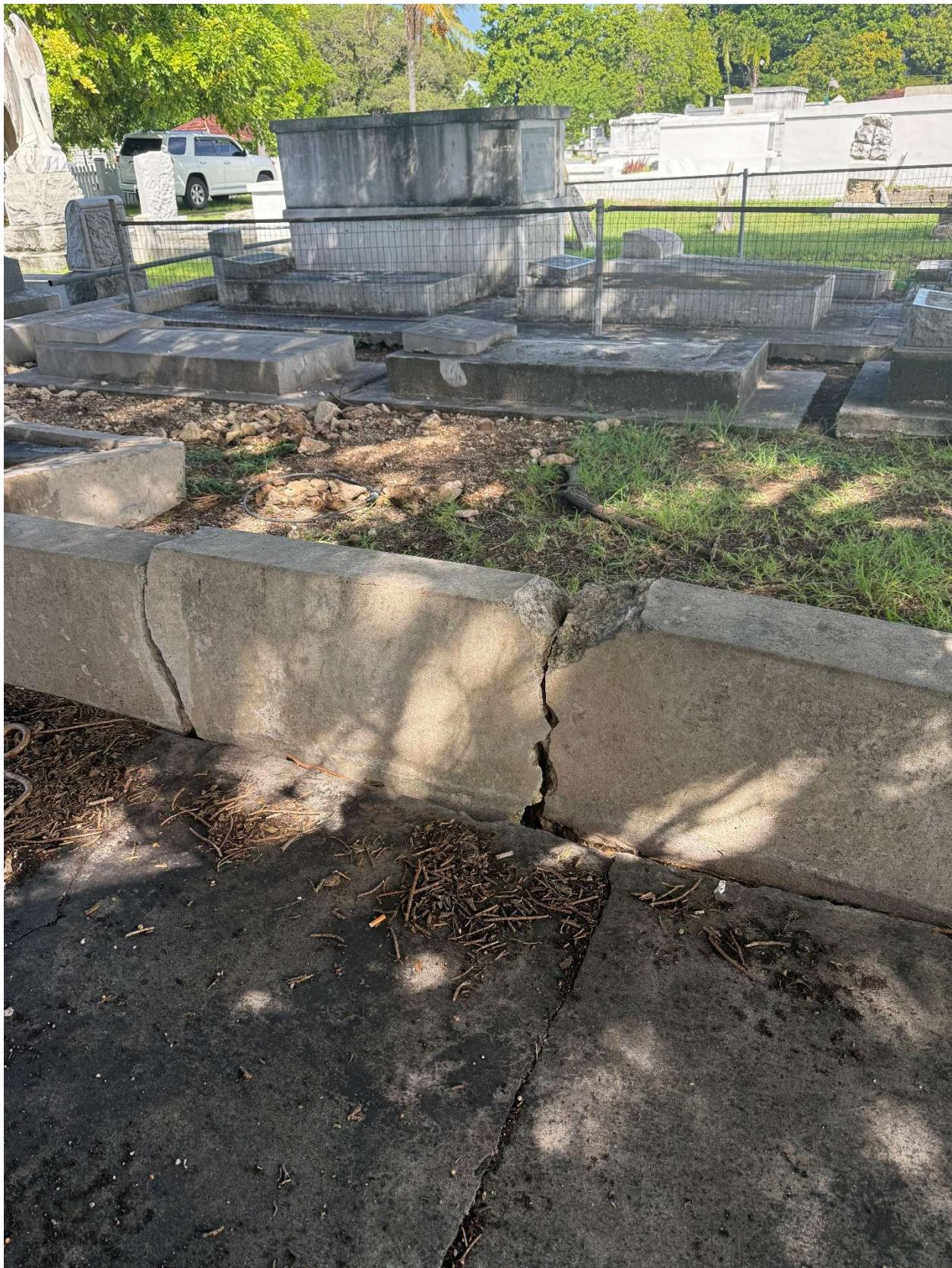














THOMPSON

WALTER WILLARD
OCT. 7, 1875
JULY 13, 1929

CATHERINE LOWE
AUG. 19, 1878
AUG. 30, 1954















THOMAS R. RUSSELL
1817-1852

JUNE 11, 1825 DECEMBER 1852

RUSSELL



HARRIET STOWERS
PORTER
NOV. 21, 1911
NOV. 30, 1971

AMELIA ERISSEK
1887 - 1957



Strangler Fig #1

Diameter: 96"

Location: 0 %

Species: 100 %

Condition: 80 %

Value: 60 %

Recommended Mitigation: 57 Caliper Inches

Strangler Fig #2

Diameter: 53"

Location: 0 %

Species: 100 %

Condition: 70%

Value: 56.6%

Recommended Mitigation: 32 Caliper Inches

NOTES: It seems unfortunate that we have allowed trees to consume burial sites. We are compelled to support a plan for removal and replanting. The process of removal should not be delayed. This site was designated a cemetery by our city's government in 1847.

Every burial at the Key West Cemetery is required to be in a metal-sealed casket. This is due to the risk of having embalming fluids leak and contaminate our ground water. Allowing trees to break apart the concrete slabs people are laid to rest in is irresponsible as custodians of our honored ancestors that have passed on as well as the future health of our community.

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