



# City of Key West, FL

City Hall  
1300 White Street  
Key West FL 33040

## Action Minutes - Final

### Tree Commission

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Monday, December 12, 2022

5:00 PM

City Hall

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**ADA Assistance:** It is the policy of the City of Key West to comply with all requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Please call the TTY number 1-800-955-8771 or for voice 1-800-955-8770 or the ADA Coordinator at 305-809-3811 at least five business days in advance for sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or materials in accessible format.

**FOR VISUAL PRESENTATIONS:** Individuals are responsible to share their presentation at the meeting on their laptop through Zoom. For City Commission meetings the City Clerk's Office will need a copy for the agenda at least 6 days before the meeting.

**Call Meeting To Order**

**Roll Call - 5:00 P.M.**

**Absent** 1 - Vice Chair Pope

**Present** 6 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cullen, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Fuller, and Chairman McRAE

**Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**Approval of Agenda - Approved Unanimously as amended.**

**Administering the Oath by the Clerk of the Commission**

**Approval of Minutes**

1 November 7, 2022

**Attachments:** [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Old Business**

- 2                    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.

**Attachments:**     [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Mahogany tree, at 2923 Harris Avenue to be replaced with 15.4" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **New Business**

- 3                    1013 Margaret Street/T2022-0388/Linda Pirozek  
Represented by: John Hartman  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree.

**Attachments:**     [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, that the Action Item be tabled to the end of Meeting. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 4                    324 Virginia Street/T2022-0390/Lykins Leasing LLC-John  
Lykins  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Avocado tree.

**Attachments:**     [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, that the Action Item be tabled to the end of Meeting. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 5                    2407 N. Roosevelt Blvd./T2022-0400/2407 N. Roosevelt  
LLC  
Represented by: John Coffin  
Requesting approval to remove (6) Red Mangrove trees.

**Attachments:**     [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (6) Red Mangrove trees at 2407 N Roosevelt Boulevard. The property owner agreed to pay a fee of \$4200.00 to the Tree Fund in lieu of planting on site. The motion

passed by unanimous vote.

- 6 1015 Windsor Lane/T2022-0404/Nana Properties LLC  
Represented by: Kenneth King  
Requesting approval to remove (2) Sapodilla and (1) Royal Poinciana tree.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, in accordance with Sec. 110-328 (1+2) that the removal of (1) 30.2" Caliper inch Sapodilla tree (tree #1) at 1015 Windsor Lane be denied due to the size or location of the tree makes it substantial in, and easily accessible to public view. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

A second motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Sapodilla, and (1) Royal Poinciana tree at 1015 Windsor Lane to be replaced with 22.8" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 7 2700 Flagler Avenue/T2022-0411/Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Miami  
Represented by: Dr. Phil Frank-Terramar Environmental Services and Joe Scarpelli-WP Horn Architects  
Requesting approval to remove (8) Green Buttonwood, (2) Silver Buttonwood, and (3) Simpson Stopper trees.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (8) Green Buttonwood, (2) Silver Buttonwood, and (3) Simpson Stopper trees at 2700 Flagler Avenue to be replaced, per landscape plan, with 35.9" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site, with a condition that if the trees can be easily dug up and made available to other sites, the commission would like to see the applicants take advantage of this. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 8 1501 Venetian Drive/T2022-0412 & T2022-0428/City of Key West  
Represented by: Dr. Phil Frank-Terramar Environmental Services and Joe Scarpelli-WP Horn Architects  
Catholic Charities is requesting approval to remove (4) Jamaican Capers, (1) Sea Grape tree, and (1) Thatch Palm for temporary access to the rear of their property, 2700 Flagler Avenue, for demolition of a structure.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (4) Jamaican Capers, (1) Sea Grape tree, and (1) Thatch Palm at 1501 Venitian Drive to be replaced with 23.6" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, and (1) Thatch Palm, 4 ft. tall minimum height., FL#1, to be planted on site, with a condition from the Commissioners that any of the Jamaican Capers that could be saved be made available for others to replant elsewhere off site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 9 3391 Eagle Avenue/T2022-0420/Julia C. Besson  
Represented by: Clifton Turner  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Mahogany tree, located at 3391 Eagle Avenue to be replaced with 7.9" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 1013 Margaret Street/T2022-0388/Linda Pirozek  
Represented by: John Hartman  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Mahogany tree, at 1013 Margaret Street to be replaced with 16.4" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 10 1614 Washington Street/T2022-0422/Key Colony Homes LLC  
Represented by: Just Keys Trees  
Requesting approval to remove (2) Silver Buttonwood and (1) Gumbo Limbo tree.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, that the Action Item be tabled to the end of the Meeting. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### Administrative Hearing

- 11 1100 Fleming Street/TC2022-00012/Stephen Graniela  
One (1) double trunked Christmas Palm, (2) Fan Palms, and

(4) Queen Palms have been removed without benefit of a palm removal permit.

Attachments: [Hearing Notice and Staff Report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, in accordance with Sec. 110-291, that the City of Key West enter into a compliance settlement agreement with the property owner for the unauthorized removal of (1) double trunked Christmas Palm, (2) Fan Palms, and (4) Queen Palms at 1100 Fleming Street, without the benefit of a permit. The property owner agreed to replant with (7) Native palms each 4 ft minimum height from approved list, and/or 9.1" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. A \$250 processing fee is also required with the settlement agreement. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 4                    324 Virginia Street/T2022-0390/Lykins Leasing LLC-John Lykins  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Avocado tree.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cunningham, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Avocado tree, at 324 Virginia Street to be replaced with 10.0" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 10                    1614 Washington Street/T2022-0422/Key Colony Homes LLC  
Represented by: Just Keys Trees  
Requesting approval to remove (2) Silver Buttonwood and (1) Gumbo Limbo tree.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (2) Silver Buttonwood trees, and (1) Gumbo Limbo tree, at 1614 Washington Street to be replaced with 13.8" caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## Reports

- 12                    Urban Forestry Manager's Report

Attachments: [November 2022 Monthly Report](#)  
[December 2022 MC Extension Newsletter](#)

Received and Filed

**Assistant City Attorney's Report**

**Public Comments**

**Commissioners Comments**

**Adjournment - 6:10 P.M.**