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Subject: Re: 700 Duval Street

Karen,

Please let this confirm that we have decided to only remove the Ficus Benjamin tree next to the side walk on Duval Street. It is our understanding that no permit is required to remove this tree.

The other trees we had been considering removing will remain. Please withdraw our application from next Tuesday's Tree Commission hearing.

It is our understanding that this will allow our pending building permit application to now continue progressing forward in the building department.

Thank you,

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All:

I inspected the property yesterday. The tree out front closest to the sidewalk is a Ficus benjaminia tree. No permit is required to remove this tree. The ficus tree in the bar and the other ficus tree near the bar are both regulated (over 24" diameter). Ken King did submit a tree removal permit for these two trees. This permit will be placed on the July 12, 2016 Tree Commission meeting agenda.

When a tree is removed in Key West, replacements are required to be planted on the property. I have a concern that three canopy trees at the corner of Angela and Duval Streets are going to be removed with nothing being planted in that area. I know the public will say something about this. I recommend that your plan include planting at least a few replacement trees in planters created in the area where the ADA ramp is being removed and the other replacement requirements elsewhere on the property. I know the Tree Commission will want to see some sort of a plan for the replacements on the property.

Sincerely,

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