



# City of Key West, FL

City Hall  
1300 White Street  
Key West FL 33040

## Action Minutes - Final

### Tree Commission

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Tuesday, August 19, 2025

5:00 PM

City Hall

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**FOR VISUAL PRESENTATIONS:** For City Commission meetings the City Clerk's Office will need a copy of all presentations for the agenda at least 7 days before the meeting.

**Call Meeting to Order - 5:00 P.M.**

#### Roll Call

*Commissioner Johnson attended virtually via media technology. It was determined that Commissioner Johnson's physical absence was not due to exceptional circumstances so therefore, he did not vote.*

**Absent** 1 - Commissioner Cabanas

**Present** 6 - Commissioner Cullen, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Henriquez, Commissioner Johnson, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

#### Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

#### Approval of Agenda

*The agenda was unanimously approved as presented*

#### Administering the Oath by the Clerk of the Commission

#### Approval of Minutes

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, to approve the Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.**

1 July 15, 2025

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

## Old Business

2 Request for Postponement by Applicant: 820 Georgia St./T2025-0088/Byron Colley  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo Limbo tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Pope, that this Item be Postponed to September 16, 2025. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

3 701 Palm Ave./T2025-0144/SBY Key West, LLC  
Represented by Shorty's Tree and Lawn Care, Clifton Turner  
Requesting approval to remove approximately 240 sq ft of mangroves.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Henriquez, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of approximately 240 square feet of mangroves, at 701 Palm Avenue to be replaced with 39 caliper inches in that location and in accordance with the landscape plan as presented to the Assistant Urban Forestry Manager. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

4 320 Amelia St./T2025-0138/LNSW LLC, Lily Wang  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany and (1) Silver Buttonwood tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Henriquez, seconded by Commissioner Pope, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Mahogany and (1) Silver Buttonwood tree, at 320 Amelia Street to be replaced with 11 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 5                    2801 Patterson Ave. and City ROW/T2025-0149/John and Tiffany Hughes  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Seagrape tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Henriquez, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Seagrape tree, at 2801 Patterson Avenue to be replaced with 5.3 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

## **New Business**

- 6                    601 Howard England Way (Fort Zachary Taylor Park)  
T2025-0156/FDEP-Bureau of Design & Construction  
Represented by Alfonso Suarez  
Requesting approval to remove (2) Gumbo Limbos (1) Mahogany tree and (1) Green Buttonwood tree.

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

Commissioner Cunningham recused himself and left the dais prior to the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Henriquez, seconded by Commissioner Pope, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (2) Gumbo Limbos (1) Mahogany tree and (1) Green Buttonwood tree, at 601 Howard England Way (Fort Zachary Taylor Park) to be replaced with 39 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 7                    1213 & 1215 Eliza St./T2025-0160/Key West Eliza 65, LLC  
Represented by Clifton Turner-Shorty's Tree & Lawn Care  
Requesting approval to remove (2) Paradise trees.

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

Commissioner Cunningham returned to the dais.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (2) Paradise trees , at 1213 & 1215 Eliza Street to be replaced with 22 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 8                    900 Duval St./T2025-0161/Lillian Kehoe  
Represented by Nick Dent & John Hartman  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Henriquez, that this Item be Postponed to September 16, 2025. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 9                    506 Peary Ct./T2025-0168/Peary Court Apartments, LLC  
Represented by John Hartman-Limbwalkers  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Madras Thorn tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Madras Thorn tree, at 506 Peary Court to be replaced with 34.7 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site, with an emphasis on canopy trees. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 10                   714 Southard St./T2025-0167/Sheryl Hanes  
Represented by Sean Creedon-Tree Man LLC  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Spanish Lime tree.

**Attachments:**    [Report](#)  
                              [Application](#)  
                              [Email comments](#)  
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A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Henriquez, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Spanish Lime tree, at 714 Southard Street to be replaced with 30 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 11                   1018 Olivia St./T2025-0172/Wendy Hamilton  
Represented by Sean Creedon-Tree Man LLC  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Buttonwood tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Henriquez, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Buttonwood tree, at 1018 Olivia Street to be replaced with 15.7 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 12                      600 Frances St./T2025-0174/600 Frances Street Building LLC  
Represented by Ken King-Golden Bough  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Almond tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Henriquez, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Almond tree, at 600 Frances Street to be replaced with 3.3 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on another site within City limits. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 13                      1421 White St./T2025-0175/Christopher Gaenzle  
Represented by Ken King-Golden Bough  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Seagrape tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Henriquez, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Seagrape tree, at 1421 White Street to be replaced with 3.6 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 14                      3608 Duck Ave./T2025-0176/Michael Santis  
Represented by Ken King-Golden Bough  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Black Olive tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Henriquez, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Black Olive tree, at 3608 Duck Avenue to be replaced with 5.2 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote.

**No:**    1 -    Commissioner Cunningham

**Absent:** 1 -    Commissioner Cabanas

**Yes:**    4 -    Commissioner Cullen, Commissioner Henriquez, Vice Chair Pope, and  
                      Chairman McRAE

- 15                    3101 N. Roosevelt Blvd./T2024-0016/Christopher Holland LLC  
Represented by Keith Oropeza  
Requesting Final Landscape approval.

**Attachments:**     [Report](#)  
                             [Final landscape plan](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Pope, to approve the Final Landscape Plan at 3101 N. Roosevelt Boulevard. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 16                    3201 Flagler Ave./T2025-0173/Flagler Center III Condominium Assoc.  
Represented by Oropeza, Stones, & Cardenas PLLC.  
Requesting Conceptual Landscape Plan approval.

**Attachments:**     [Report](#)  
                             [Conceptual Plan](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, to approve the Conceptual Landscape Plan at 3201 Flagler Avenue. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

### **Old Business - Continued**

- 17                    2429 Fogarty Ave./T2025-0035/Samuel Snodgrass  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Pope, to table this Item until the end of the meeting. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Due to 4 prior Postponements and no representation at this meeting, staff recommended to Withdraw this item and require the applicant to resubmit an application when ready to proceed. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

### **Reports**

### **Public Comments**

### **Commissioner Comments**

### **Adjournment - 7:05 P.M.**