



Key
West
Botanical
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Society

***Managing
and
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the
only
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tropical
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August 20, 2013

Mr. David Fernandez
Assistant City Manager, City of Key West
3132 Flagler Avenue
Key West, FL 33040

Dear David,

Please let this letter serve the request we have discussed at several meetings. Specifically, we are asking the City to allow the Key West Botanical Garden Society to charge a fee for visitors. This will require a change to section 15 of the lease, Hours of Operation/Personnel/No Admission Fee. We request that the lease be changed to strike the sentence regarding not charging for admission and replace it with "Lessee may charge the public a fee for admission to be used for operations and for construction of additional facilities."

The initial fee for entrance will be \$7.00 fee for Adults, \$5.00 for seniors 65 and over and active military, children under 12 are free. All Society members are also free. Every first Sunday, all locals (those with a Monroe Co ID) are free. We also participate in the Blue Star Museum's program which offers free admission to all active duty servicemen and their families from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

We look forward to your prompt response because, as you know, funds are badly needed at the Garden.

Thank you!

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