## MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

DATE: August 29, 2012

RE: 1119 Varela Street

FROM: Paul Williams, Urban Forestry Manager, City of Key West

An application was received for the removal of **one** (1) **Green Buttonwood**, **two** (2) **Gumbo Limbo trees**. A site inspection was done on August 29, 2012 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Green Buttonwood (Conocarpus erectus),

Gumbo Limbo (Bursera simaruba)



Green Buttonwood



Gumbo Limbo Tree # 1



Gumbo Limbo Tree # 2

Diameter:	Green Buttonwood –	7.8	3 inches	dbh
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Gumbo Limbo Tree # 1 – 10.8 inches dbh Gumbo Limbo Tree # 2 – 11.6 inches dbh **Total dbh** 30.2 inches dbh

Location: Green Buttonwood – 60% (fence area)

Gumbo Limbo Tree # 1 – 40% (foundation) Gumbo Limbo Tree # 2 – 60% (fence area)

Species: Green Buttonwood – 100% (protected)

Gumbo Limbo Tree # 1 – 100% (protected) Gumbo Limbo Tree # 2 – 100% (protected)

Condition: Green Buttonwood – 80% (good health)

Gumbo Limbo Tree # 1 – 60% (fair health) Gumbo Limbo Tree # 2 – 60% (fair health)

Total Average Value: Green Buttonwood – **80%** 

Gumbo Limbo Tree # 1 – **67%** Gumbo Limbo Tree # 2 – **73%** 

Value x Diameter = replacement caliper (dbh) inches

Green Buttonwood –  $80\% \times 7.8$  inches dbh = 6.2 replacement inches Gumbo Limbo Tree # 1–  $67\% \times 10.8$  inches dbh = 7.2 replacement inches Gumbo Limbo Tree # 2–  $73\% \times 11.6$  inches dbh = 8.5 replacement inches

Total replacement caliper inches = <u>21.9</u> replacement caliper inches

Recommendations: Staff recommends approval of the permit