

## STAFF REPORT

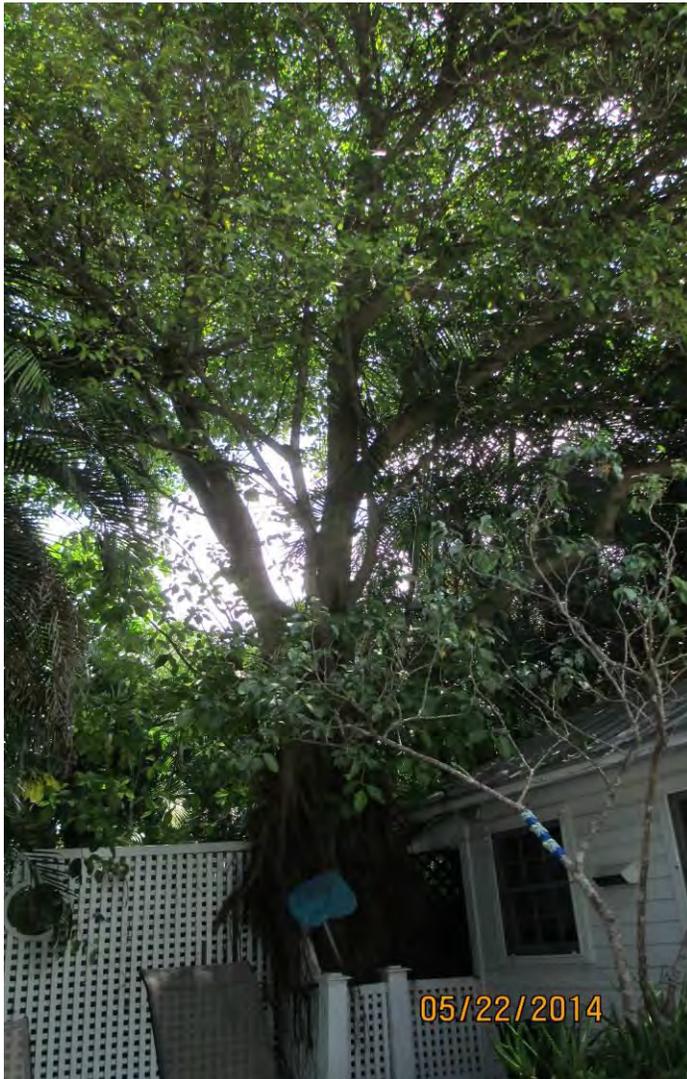
DATE: May 28, 2014

**RE: 912 James St (permit application #6910 )**

FROM: Karen DeMaria, Urban Forestry Manager,  
City of Key West

An application was received for the removal of **(1) Strangler Fig tree**. A site inspection was done on May 22, 2014 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Strangler Fig (Ficus aurea)



Diameter: 34"

Location: 60% (on fence/property line, close to pool)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 50 % (backyard tree, nice canopy, trunk is a mass of roots growing over fence)

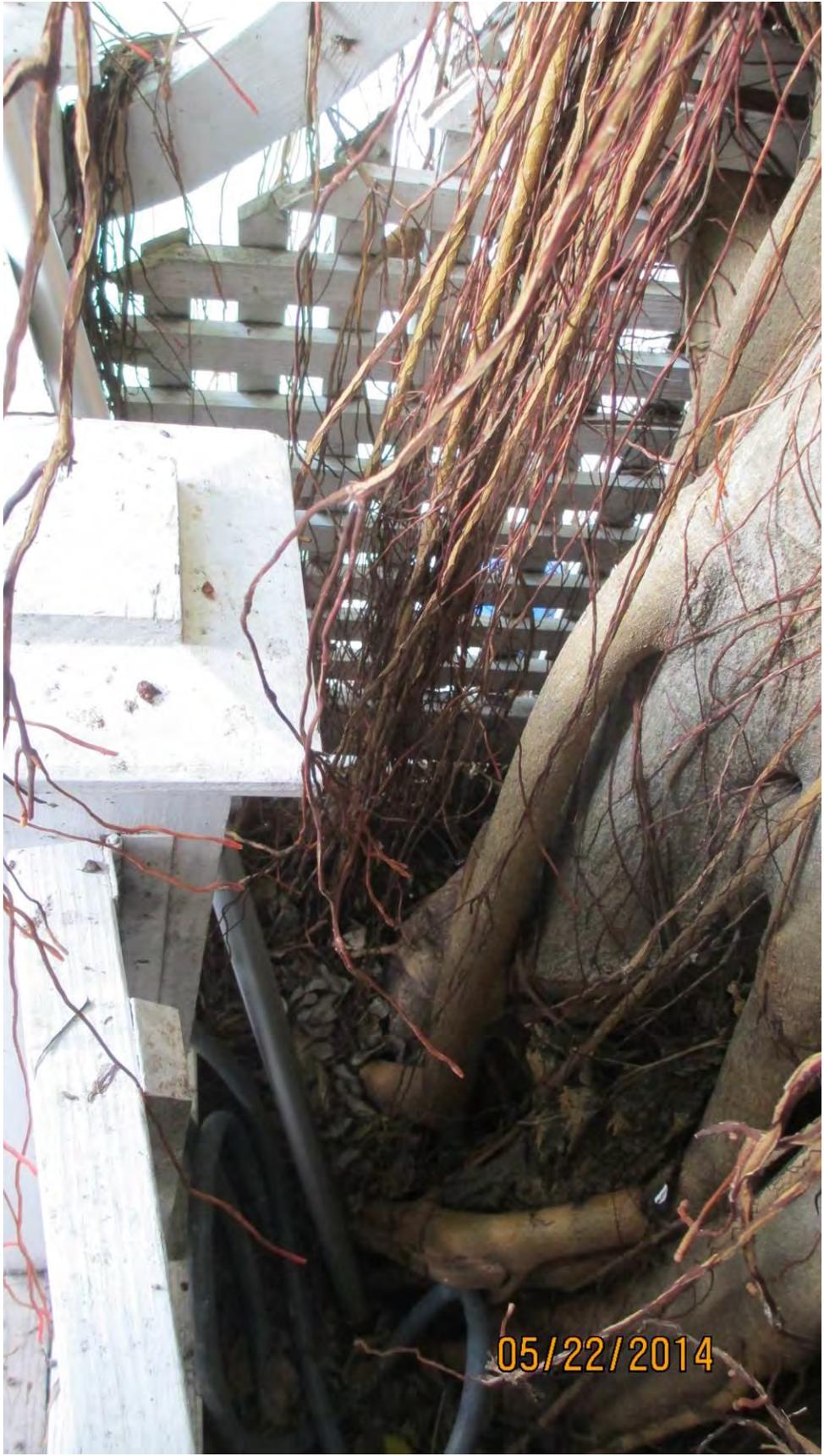
Total Average Value = 70%

Value x Diameter = **23 replacement caliper inches**





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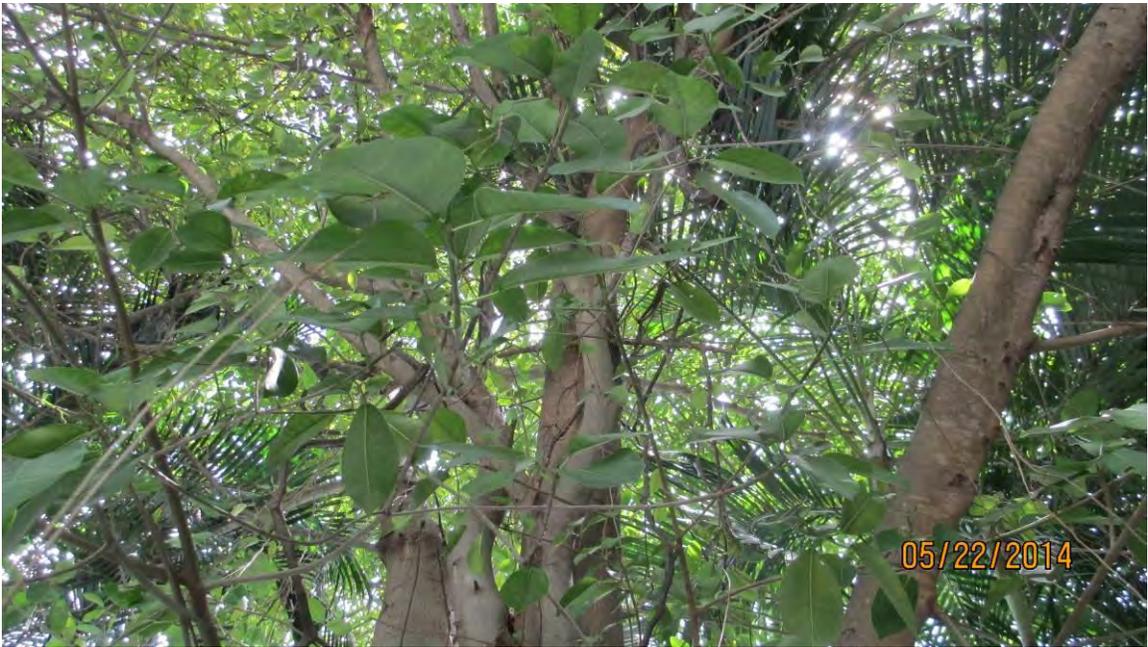


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Note: The property owner verbally requested a hardship due to the lack of space in the yard. Most of the property in the rear portion of the lot is an existing house, a pool and a deck. There is a small area of vegetation that could be planted with two sub canopy trees.



**Recommendations: Recommend approval of the removal of (1) Strangler Fig tree located at 912 James St Unit 2 (rear), to be replaced with (2) 8ft tall native dicot or fruit trees, minimum 1" diameter each tree.**



# Application



6910

# Tree Permit Application

Date: 5-21-14

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise.

**Tree Address** 912 James St <sup>(Rear)</sup> Key West  
**Cross/Corner Street** Grinnell  
**List Tree Name(s) and Quantity** 1 Strangler fig  
**Species Type(s) check all that apply** ( ) Palm ( ) Flowering ( ) Fruit  Shade ( ) Unsure  
**Reason(s) for Application:**

- REMOVE ( ) Tree Health ( ) Safety  Other/Explain below  
 ( ) TRANSPLANT ( ) New Location ( ) Same Property ( ) Other/Explain below  
 ( ) HEAVY MAINTENANCE ( ) Branch Removal ( ) Crown Cleaning/Thinning ( ) Crown Reduction

**Additional Information and Explanation** Tree is growing from the fence & near the pool.

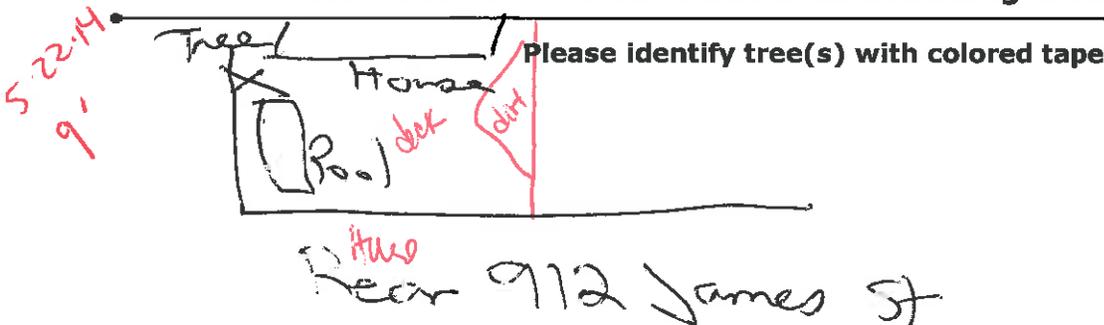
**Property Owner Name** Rebecca Naka  
**Property Owner eMail Address** beccanako@gmail  
**Property Owner Mailing Address** 912 James St Rear  
**Property Owner Mailing City** Key West **State** F.L. **Zip** 33040  
**Property Owner Phone Number** (305) 395-8484  
**Property Owner Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Representative Name** A Caring Tree Co Nicholas Downs  
**Representative eMail Address** acaringtreecompany@gmail  
**Representative Mailing Address** 19264 Acosta Trail  
**Representative Mailing City** Sugarloaf Key **State** F.L. **Zip** 33042  
**Representative Phone Number** (305) 432-1764

NOTE: A Tree Representation Authorization form must accompany this application if someone other than the owner will be representing the owner at a Tree Commission meeting or picking up an issued Tree Permit.

Tree Representation Authorization form attached ( )

<<<<< Sketch location of tree in this area including cross/corner Street >>>>>



If this process requires blocking of a City right-of-way, a separate ROW Permit is required. Please contact 305-809-3740.

Rebecca Nako  
912, James Street (rear),  
Key West,  
FL. 33040  
15th, May 2014

City of Key West Tree Commission  
3140 Flagler Ave  
Key West,  
FL 33040

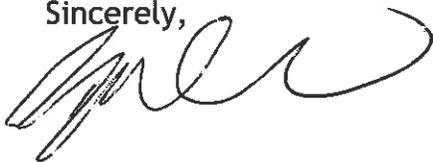
To whom it may concern:

This letter is to certify that I, Rebecca Nako (AKA Nakoneczna) of 912 James Street, Key West (Rear) give full permission to A Caring Tree Company of 572 Hammock Drive, Key West Florida 33040 to represent me at the City of Key West Tree Commission.

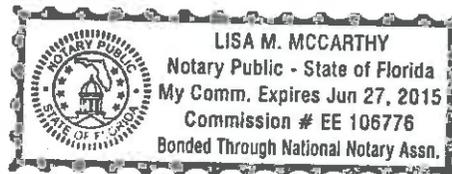
A Caring Tree Company can be reached at - (305) 432-1764. Email: [acaringtreecompany@gmail.com](mailto:acaringtreecompany@gmail.com). I can be reached at -(305) 395-8484 (whilst in the US). Email: [beccanako@gmail.com](mailto:beccanako@gmail.com).

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,



Rebecca Nako









Karen DeMaria &lt;kdemaria@keywestcity.com&gt;

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**912 James Street**

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**Rebecca Nako** <beccanako@googlemail.com>  
To: kdemaria@keywestcity.com  
Cc: Nicholas Downs <acaringtreecompany@gmail.com>

Fri, May 23, 2014 at 1:35 PM

Dear Karen,

Thank you so much for coming to look at our banyan tree yesterday. You were very kind to explain the processes to me.

As I mentioned we will be very sad to see this beautiful tree go, I grew up in this house and remember it and all the other trees in the garden a lot smaller! But it is unfortunately now impacting my neighbors, the fencing and the house. As well as causing a leak in the pool. It has become an unfortunate hazard and it seems a large expense!

Please do let me know if there is anything else I can do to assist you. Unfortunately I will not be in town when the tree commission meets, but Nick Downs, of the Caring tree company has kindly agreed to represent me and the tree's interests. If there is anything else I can do, email is probably the best means of communication.

Thank you again for coming over so promptly.

Kind Regards

Rebecca



**Scott P. Russell, CFA**  
**Property Appraiser**  
**Monroe County, Florida**

Key West (305) 292-3420  
Marathon (305) 289-2550  
Plantation Key (305) 852-7130

**Property Record Card -  
Maps are now launching the new map application version.**

**Alternate Key: 9081424 Parcel ID: 00002840-000102**

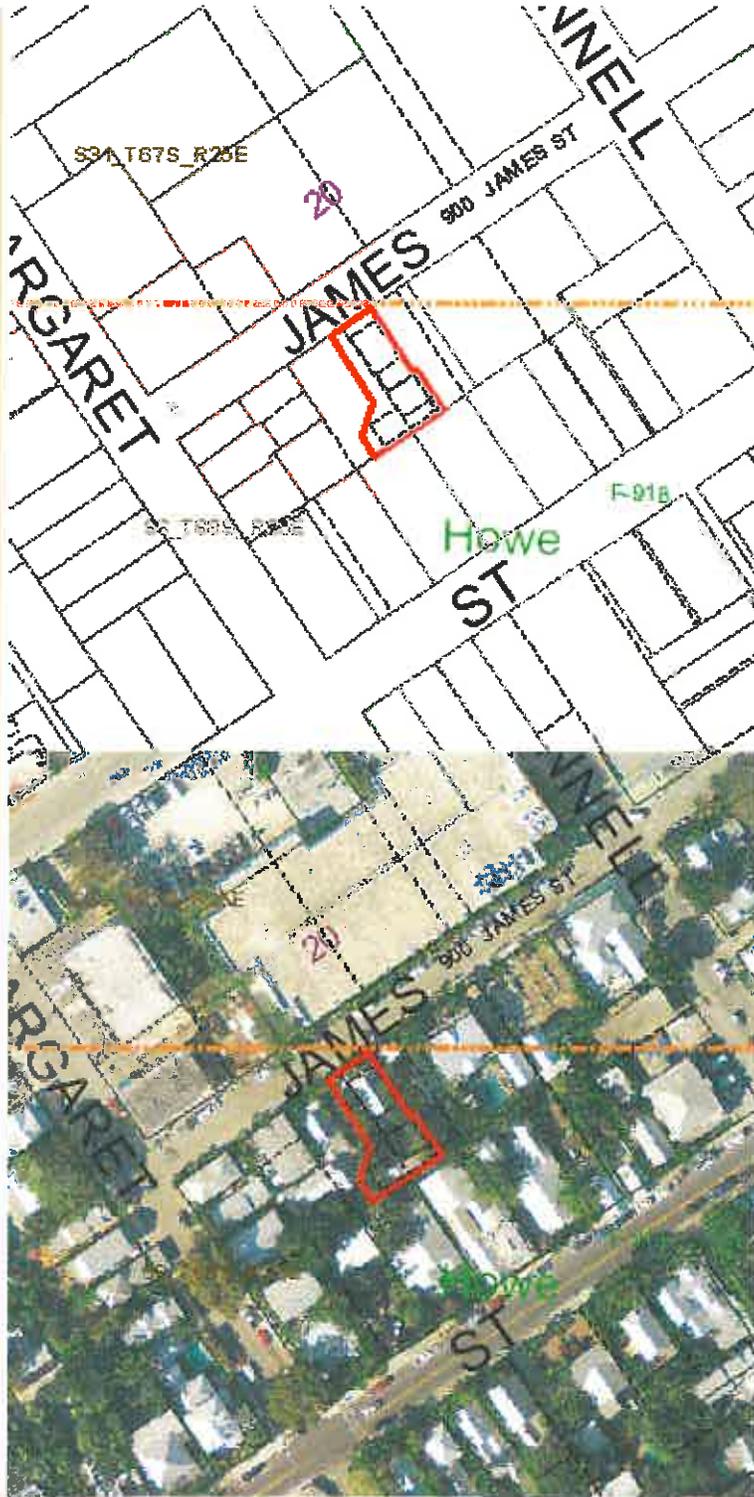
**Ownership Details**

**Mailing Address:**  
NAKONECZNA ANNA L/E  
912 JAMES ST REAR  
UNIT 2  
KEY WEST, FL 33040

**Property Details**

**PC Code:** 04 - CONDOMINIUM  
**Millage Group:** 10KW  
**Affordable Housing:** No  
**Section-Township-Range:** 06-68-25  
**Property Location:** 912 JAMES ST UNIT: 2 KEY WEST  
**Legal Description:** UNIT 2 JAMES STREET CONDOMINIUM OR2096-2139/41 OR2461-1677 OR2474-1418/19

**Click Map Image to open interactive viewer**



### Condominium Details

Condo Name: JAMES STREET CONDOMINIUM  
 Footage: 1020      Year Built: 1933

### Parcel Value History

Certified Roll Values

[View Taxes for this Parcel.](#)