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MEMORANDUM:

TO: Karen DeMaria, kdemaria@cityofkeywest-fl.gov
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FM: Gerry Ward

RE: **Agenda Item No. 8 Tree Commission Meeting 1700 11 July 2023**
Tree Fund Money -- City/FDOT Rights-of-Way Planters
921 and 929 Whitehead Street City of Key West

We talked a couple of years ago about replacing the tree demised circa TROPICAL IRMA in 2017 at 929 Whitehead Street existing tree planter. TROPICAL IAN last Fall leaned the existing tree about 45 degrees towards Mallory, in the tree planter at 921 Whitehead Street and it demised within a couple of months and still has not been removed.

These two planters are directly across from the Lighthouse and Keepers Quarters, therefore are super visible from the top of the Lighthouse. As such we request you consider planting two Royal Poinciana (*Delonix regia*) as replacement trees. The sidewalk is one of the highest traveled in the city, absent Duval Street and being Southernmost of the Hemingway House. Not only the flowering color at part of the year, but the smooth bark will be advantageous to those not paying attention to walking!

Please advise what else may be needed for either the Tree Commission or City Administration.

/s/Gerry Ward/s/
Gerald M. Ward

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