

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

DATE: January 30, 2012

RE: 52 Front Street

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

An application was received for the removal of one (1) Royal Palm Tree.

A site inspection was done on January 27, 2012 and documented the following:

Tree Species: Royal Palm (*Roystonea regia*)

Diameter: 24' dbh – 30' grey wood

Location: 60% - (in fence area)

Species: 100% - (on City protected tree list)

Condition: 100% - (excellent health)

Total Average Value = 87%

Value x Diameter = replacement caliper (dbh) inches = $.87 \times 24'' = 21''$ **replacement**

Recommendations: Staff recommends **denial** of permit. This large palm is very valuable and does not appear to be causing excessive damage to private walkway. With scheduled maintenance and trimming, roots can be controlled and fronds can be removed.