

STAFF REPORT

DATE: July 27, 2022

RE: **2904 Harris Avenue (permit application # T2022-0251)**

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

An application was received requesting the removal of **(1) Gumbo Limbo and (1) Verawood tree**. A site inspection was done and documented the following:

Tree Species: Gumbo Limbo (Burera simaruba)



Photo of whole tree, view 1.



Photo of tree location on property.



Photo of
whole
tree,
view 2.



Photo of main
trunk and
canopy
branches,
view 1.



Two close
up photos
of decay
hole in
main trunk.





Photo of whole tree, view 3.



Photo of
tree
canopy,
view 1.



Photo of
trunk and
base of tree,
view 1.



Photo of main trunk and canopy branches, view 2.



Photo of
main
trunk and
canopy
branches,
view 3.



Photo of
tree
canopy,
view 2.



Photo of tree canopy, view 3.

Diameter: 24.8"

Location: 70% (growing in front yard next to right of way area-very visible tree.)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 50% (overall condition is fair to poor, tree has a decay area from an old cut low on the main trunk that goes into the main trunk area and other decay areas in the canopy from old cuts, overall canopy and tree shape is off balanced)

Total Average Value = 73%

Value x Diameter = 18.1 replacement caliper inches

Tree Species: Verawood (*Bulnesia arborea*)



Photo of tree
canopy, view 1.



Photo of tree
canopy, view 2.



Photo of tree trunk showing location of tree, view 1.



Photo of base
of tree.



Photo of tree
trunk, view 2.



Photo of trunk and canopy branches.



Photo of whole tree.



Photo of
tree canopy,
view 3.



Photo of
tree canopy,
view 4.
Photo also
shows
location of
tree.

Diameter: 6.3"

Location: 70% (growing in back yard next to existing deck)

Species: 50% (not on protected or not protected tree list)

Condition: 60% (overall condition is fair, possible root issues-top of root ball exposed to surface, at least one girdled root.)

Total Average Value = 60%

Value x Diameter = 3.7 replacement caliper inches

Total required replacement inches if both trees approved for removal: 21.8"

Application



T2022-0251

Tree Permit Application

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise. Date: 7/13/2022

Tree Address 2904 Harris Ave

Cross/Corner Street _____

List Tree Name(s) and Quantity

1 Gumbo Limbo 1 - Yellow Flowering Tree → Bulnesia / Yerawood

Species Type(s) check all that apply

() Palm (x) Flowering (x) Fruit (x) Shade (x) Unsure

Reason(s) for Application:

(x) Remove (x) Tree Health (x) Safety (x) Other/Explain below

() Transplant () New Location () Same Property () Other/Explain below

() Heavy Maintenance Trim () Branch Removal () Crown Cleaning/Thinning () Crown Reduction

Additional Information and Explanation Gumbo Limbo - codominant stem exhibits large decay at standard height and once had active termites. Yellow flowering tree - Home owners are making renovations & want to install a pool to home in the area where the tree is located, transplanting is not an option due to its size. They are willing to plant the same one in a different area.

Property Owner Name

Victoria Castellanos

Property Owner email Address

Skinfix@yahoo.com

Property Owner Mailing Address

2904 Harris Ave Key West FL 33040

Property Owner Phone Number

305 434-6181

Property Owner Signature

[Signature]

Representative Name

Clifton Turner - Shorty's Tree & Lawn Care LLC

Representative email Address

Shortystlc@gmail.com

Representative Mailing Address

19463 Date Palm Dr Sugarloaf Key FL 33042

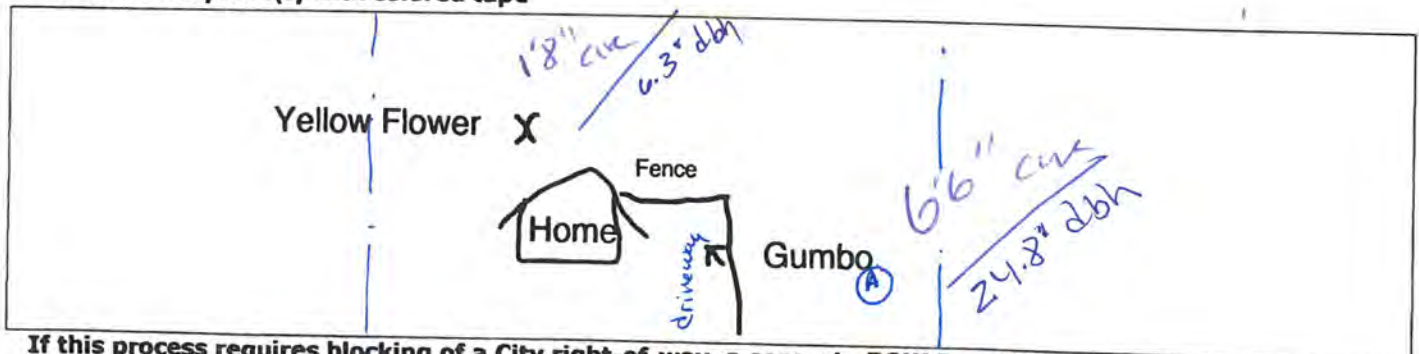
Representative Phone Number

3056479261

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

Please identify tree(s) with colored tape



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



Tree Representation Authorization

Attendance at the Tree Commission meeting on the date when your request will be discussed is necessary in order to expedite the resolution of your application. This Tree Representation Authorization form must accompany the application if the property owner is unable to attend or will have someone else pick up the Tree Permit once issued.

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise.

Date 7/11/22
Tree Address 2904 Harris Ave Keywest FL 33040
Property Owner Name Victoria Castellanos
Property Owner Mailing Address 2904 Harris Ave Keywest FL 33040
Property Owner Mailing City, State, Zip
Property Owner Phone Number 305 434-6481
Property Owner email Address skinfix@yahoo.com
Property Owner Signature [Signature]
Representative Name Clifton Turner - Shorty's Tree & Lawn Care LLC
Representative Mailing Address 19463 Date Palm Dr
Representative Mailing City, State, Zip Sugarloaf Key FL 33042
Representative Phone Number 3056479261
Representative email Address shortystlc@gmail.com

I, Victoria Castellanos hereby authorize the above listed agent(s) to represent me in the matter of obtaining a Tree Permit from the City of Key West for my property at the tree address above listed. You may contact me at the telephone listed above is there is any questions or need access to my property.

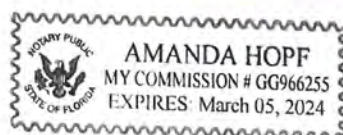
Property Owner Signature [Signature]

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this 11 day July 2022.
By (Print name of Affiant) Victoria Castellanos who is personally known to me or has produced
FL DL as identification and who did take an oath.
Notary Public

Sign name: [Signature]

Print name: Amanda Hopf

My Commission expires: March 5, 2024 Notary Public-State of Florida (Seal)



Karen DeMaria

From: Clifton Turner <shortystlc@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 13, 2022 7:30 AM
To: Karen DeMaria
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 2904 Harris Ave Permits for removal and heavy maintenance
Attachments: Adobe Scan Jul 11, 2022.pdf; IMG_0557.jpg

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Hello Karen, attached are permits for 2904 Harris ave. The tree that reads "yellow flowering" I was unable to identify, I have attached a photo.. Please let me know if there is anything you may need on my end.
Thank you,



Arborist Clifton Turner

Owner & Operator of Shorty's Tree & Lawn Care LLC.
Serving The Lower FL Keys.
305-647-9261

