



City of Key West, FL

City Hall
1300 White Street
Key West FL 33040

Action Minutes - Final

Tree Commission

Monday, February 13, 2023

5:00 PM

City Hall

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Call Meeting To Order - 5:00 P.M.

Roll Call

Absent 3 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cunningham, and Commissioner Fuller

Present 4 - Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cullen, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Administering the Oath by the Clerk of the Commission

Approval of Agenda - The agenda was unanimously approved as amended.

Approval of Minutes

1 January 10, 2023

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cabanas, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

2 619 William Street/T2022-0456/619 Key West LLC
Represented by: Kenneth King

Requesting approval to remove (1) Sandbox tree.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Sandbox tree at 619 William Street to be replaced with 13 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion passed unanimously.

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1701 Von Phister Street ROW/T2022-0462/City of Key West

Represented by: Eric Denhart-property owner

Requesting approval for the City to remove (1) Mahogany tree.

Attachments: [Application](#)
 [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Additional Information](#)
 [Additional Information 1](#)
 [Additional Information 2 and Report Update](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec. 110-328(1) and (2) that the removal of (1) Mahogany tree at 1701 Von Phister Street ROW be denied due to the species, size, location, historical importance, and condition of the tree that makes it a unique and rare specimen and the size or location of the tree makes it substantial in and easily accessible to public view. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

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1223 Petronia Street/T2023-0007/John DeWald & Stephen Kitsakos

Represented by: Kenneth King

Requesting approval to remove (1) Avocado tree.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Avocado tree at 1223 Petronia Street to be replaced with 13.2 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion passed unanimously.

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57 Seaside Court South/T2023-0012/Marianne Lepre-Nolan

Represented by: Clifton Turner

Requesting approval to remove (1) young Strangler Fig tree.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Strangler Fig tree at 57 Seaside Court South to be replaced with 1.9 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion passed unanimously.

- 6 829 Eaton Street/T2023-0020/Beyer Holdings LLC
Represented by: Kenneth King
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)
 [Letter from Neighbor](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Mahogany tree at 829 Eaton Street to be replaced with 5.9 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion passed unanimously.

- 7 915/923 Johnson Street/T2023-0021/Carl Van Rooy & Linda Aselin
Represented by: Sean Creedon-Treeman
Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo Limbo tree.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cabanas, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Gumbo Limbo tree at 915/923 Johnson Street to be replaced with 17.7 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion passed unanimously.

- 8 317 Whitehead Street/T2023-0022/Doug Maxwell-Key West Modernist LLC
Represented by: Just Keys Trees
Requesting approval to remove (2) Spanish Lime trees.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, to postpone discussion on (1) Spanish Lime (front) tree to the March 14, 2023 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, to postpone discussion on (1) Spanish Lime (rear) tree to the March 14, 2023 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

- 9 US 1 Triangle/T2023-0023/FDOT
Represented by: Keith Oropeza-GAI Consultants & Karen Wilman-City of Key West Engineering Department
The City is requesting approval to remove (2) Orange Geiger and (1) Sapodilla tree as part of a landscape beautification project for the median at the entrance to the City. Sixteen Sabal Palms will also be transplanted from the center median to the southern right of way area.

Attachments: [\(LARGE FILE\) Report and Application](#)
 [Approval letter from FDOT](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (2) Orange

Geiger and (1) Sapodilla trees at the US 1 Triangle to be replaced with 25.8 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL #1, to be planted on site. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items

- 10 12 Hilton Haven Drive/T2022-0445/12 Hilton Haven Road LLC
Represented by: Kenneth King
Requesting approval to remove (1) Strangler Fig tree.

Attachments: [Report and Application](#)
 [Additional Information](#)

Commissioner Pope agreed to sponsor a Resolution to rescind the previous action on this item at the March 14, 2023 meeting.

Reports

- 11 Urban Forestry Manager's Report

Attachments: [January 2023 Monthly Report](#)
 [IFAS February 2023 Newsletter](#)

City Attorney's Report

Public Comments

Commissioner Comments

Adjournment - 6:39 P.M.