Additional Information

Karen DeMaria

From: Brendan M Byrne
 brendanmbyrne@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 1:57 PM

To: Karen DeMaria

Subject: Re: 1037 Catherine Street

Attachments: IMG_0032 18 Inches.JPG; IMG_0041 Water Main.JPG

Hello Karen

Attached are two photos to explain why we need the tree removed.

IMG 0032 Shows how the foundation is only 18 inches from the trunk of the tree and the roots are lifting the foundation.

IMG 0041 Shows how the water main for the house runs directly into the trees roots and we can hear that pressure is being exerted on it every time water flows in the house.

Ken King explained to me how foolish and dangerous it was for me to girdle the tree..... It wont happen again.

Have a good weekend...

Sincerely, Brendan Byrne

Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2017 1:08 PM **Subject:** RE: 1037 Catherine Street

Received, thank you and never girdle a tree. It is not a safe way to remove a tree.

Sincerely,

Karen

From: Brendan M Byrne [mailto:brendanmbyrne@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, June 30, 2017 10:27 AM

To: Karen DeMaria <kdemaria@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>

Subject: 1037 Catherine Street

Hello Karen.

This is Brendan Byrne from 1037 Catherine Street.

Thank you for coming back and taking a look at our tree so that we might get it taken care of sooner than later.

It was me that girdled the tree. It is damaging / growing into the water main for the house and it is also lifting the foundation of the house in the South East corner. Our house is only 11 years old and we wanted to make sure we didn't run into expensive problems down the road.

I had planned on slowly taking care of the tree myself as I had been told that the tree was not protected but then I ran into Ken King and asked his opinion. He pointed out my mistake and I decided to get tree taken care of in the proper manner and that is when we contacted you to get the problem resolved correctly.....

I am very sorry for what I did to the tree but I panicked when I realized that we could be in line for tens of thousands of dollars of damage to our new house. You can be certain that I would rather keep the tree and the \$550 payable to Mr King.

We have other Spanish Limes, palm trees and an avocado tree on our property that we are more than happy to cultivate and protect as they shade and protect our house. My wife also makes an awesome guacamole!

In regards to the Round-Up I bought it for the weeds that grow around my Jeep... It has bee properly stored and moved away from the trees .

If you need to contact me my number is 305-923-4248 and my email is BrendanMByrne@yahoo.com

Sincerely, Brendan Byrne



