

# STAFF REPORT

DATE: September 26, 2019

RE: 522 Caroline Street (permit application # T2019-0433)

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

An application was received requesting the removal of (1) Autograph and (1) young Spanish Lime tree. A site inspection was done and documented the following:

Tree Species: Autograph (Clusia sp.)



Photo showing location of Autograph tree in planter.





Close up photo showing main area of tree, view 1. It is mostly dead and covered in vines.





Photo shows one of two main live areas from trunk of autograph tree.





Photo shows the second of two main live areas from trunk of autograph tree.





Photo of main trunk area of autograph tree, view 2. There are of few small live areas.





View of tree trunk showing location of young Spanish Lime tree.





Two photos showing base of tree, two views.



Spanish Lime tree





View of autograph tree trunk.





View showing one of the live main growth areas. Branch that it is growing from has heavy decay.





View of tree planter area.

Diameter: 8.8" (only measured live growth areas)

Location: 90%

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 10% (main part of tree is mostly dead. Tree heavily damaged in Hurricane Irma)

Total Average Value = 66%

Value x Diameter = 5.8 replacement caliper inches



Tree Species: Spanish Lime (*Melicococcus bijugatus*)



Photo of  
Spanish Lime  
tree canopy

09/24/2019



Photo of Spanish  
Lime trunk.



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Photo showing base of Spanish Lime tree.

Diameter: 3.8"

Location: 40% (growing in Autograph tree roots)

Species: 100% (on protected tree list)

Condition: 40% (poor, growth of trunk impacted by autograph tree aerial roots.)

Total Average Value = 60%

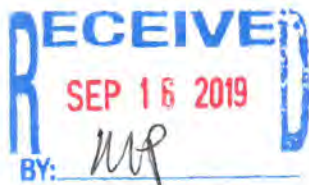
Value x Diameter = 2.2 replacement caliper inches

Total required replacement if both trees removed = 8 caliper inches.



# Application





9:30 am

2019-0433

# Tree Permit Application

Date: SEPT 9, 2019

Please Clearly Print All Information unless indicated otherwise.

Tree Address 522 CAROLINE ST  
Cross/Corner Street DUAL / SIMONTON  
List Tree Name(s) and Quantity 1 AUTOGRAPH TREE + 1 Spanish live (young)  
Species Type(s) check all that apply ( ) Palm ( ) Flowering ( ) Fruit (X) Shade ( ) Unsure  
Reason(s) for Application:

- ( ) REMOVE (X) Tree Health ( ) Safety ( ) Other/Explain below  
( ) TRANSPLANT ( ) New Location ( ) Same Property ( ) Other/Explain below  
( ) HEAVY MAINTENANCE ( ) Branch Removal ( ) Crown Cleaning/Thinning ( ) Crown Reduction

Additional Information and Explanation DAMAGED IN STORM - HAS NOT RECOVERED

Property Owner Name John Spottswood Jr  
Property Owner eMail Address dcress @ spottswood.com  
Property Owner Mailing Address 506 FLEMING ST  
Property Owner Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040  
Property Owner Phone Number (305) 731-8349  
Property Owner Signature \_\_\_\_\_

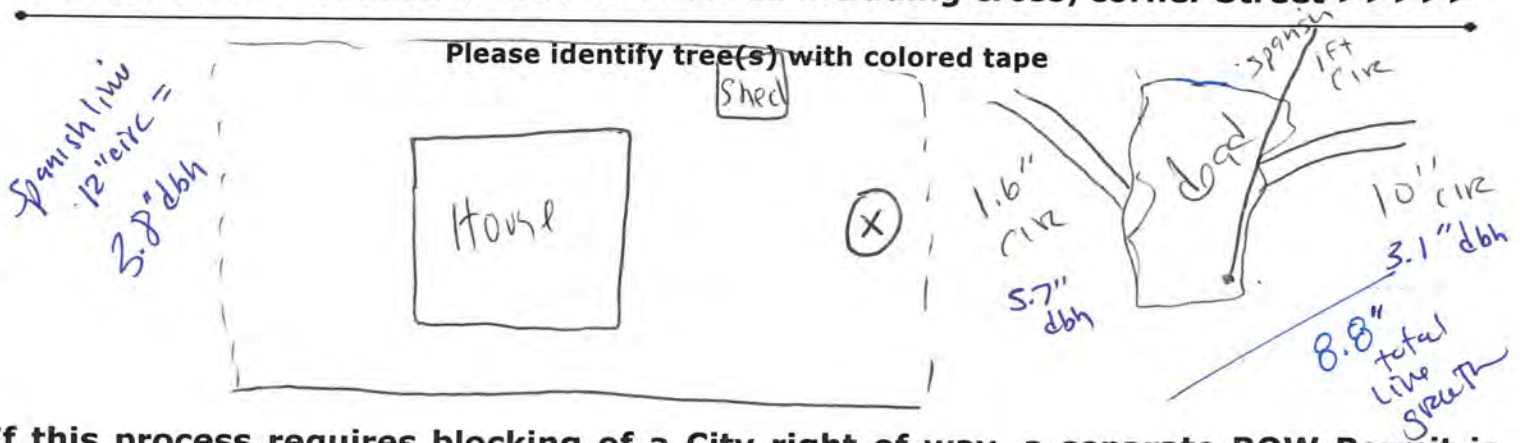
Representative Name Gustavo Gallo  
Representative eMail Address Gusgallo08@gmail.com  
Representative Mailing Address 1213 14th street lot #163  
Representative Mailing City Key West State FL Zip 33040  
Representative Phone Number (305) 304-6944

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 ( )

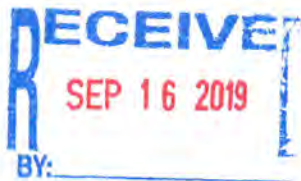
<<<<< Sketch location of tree in this area including cross/corner Street >>>>>

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.





2019-0433

**Tree Representation Authorization**Date: SEPT 9, 2019

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.

Tree Address 522 CAROLINE STREET

Property Owner Name JOHN SPOTTSWOOD JR

Property Owner eMail Address dress@spottswood.com

Property Owner Mailing Address 506 FLEMING ST

Property Owner Mailing City KEY WEST State FL Zip 33040

Property Owner Phone Number (305) 731-8349

Property Owner Signature X

Representative Name Gustavo Ealo

Representative eMail Address Gusgalo08@gmail.com

Representative Mailing Address 1213 14th Street, apt # 163

Representative Mailing City Keywest State FL Zip 33040

Representative Phone Number (305) 304-6944

I John Spottswood, Jr, 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.

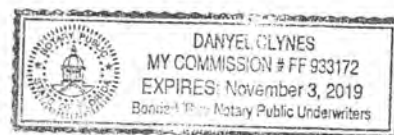
Property Owner Signature X

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this 4th day September, 2019

By (Print name of Affiant) John M. Spottswood, Jr. who is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and who did take an oath.

**NOTARY PUBLIC**Sign Name: Danyel Clynes

Notary Public - State of Florida (seal)

Print Name: Danyel ClynesMy Commission Expires: 11/3/2019



## Karen DeMaria

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**From:** Dana Cress <dcress@spottswood.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 17, 2019 2:54 PM  
**To:** Karen DeMaria; dusgalo08@gmail.com; gusgalo08@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Re: 522 Caroline Autograph tree removal application

Hi Karen,

I sent a quick map of the location.

Attached are 2 photos. Jack loves that tree and did everything to save it, but it's rotted through at the top and hasn't recovered from Irma.



Please contact me when you need to go on the property. I'll need to meet you.  
They have Jack Russell Terriers.  
Thank you much.

Dana J. Cress  
Spottswood Management Inc.  
Property Services Manager  
305-731-8349  
dcress@spottswood.com

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**From:** Karen DeMaria <kdemaria@cityofkeywest-fl.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 17, 2019 2:21:33 PM  
**To:** Dana Cress <dcress@spottswood.com>; dusgalo08@gmail.com <dusgalo08@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** 522 Caroline Autograph tree removal application

Dana and Gustavo:

I received an application to remove an autograph tree from 522 Caroline Street. The application is incomplete and does not include a drawing showing the location of the tree so I am not sure where it is exactly on the property. Also, do I need to contact someone regarding access to the property? Any photos you might have showing the damage would also be nice.

Sincerely,

Karen

*Karen DeMaria*  
Urban Forestry Manager  
Certified Arborist FL# 6585A  
City of Key West Planning Department  
1300 White Street, Key West, FL 33040  
305-809-3768





CAROLINE ST

522

CAROLINE

HOUSE

POOL

GARAGE

ROSE LANE

DAMAGED  
TREE →

X









