



City of Key West, FL

City Hall
1300 White Street
Key West FL 33040

Action Minutes - Final

Tree Commission

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

5:00 PM

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Call Meeting To Order - 5:01 P.M.

Roll Call

Absent 3 - Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Cunningham, and Chairman McRAE

Present 4 - Commissioner Bravo, Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cullen, and Vice Chair Pope

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

Administering the Oath by the Clerk of the Board

Approval of Minutes

1 October 12, 2021

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Old Business

2 2861 Key Cove Drive/T2021-0267/Key Cove Landings LLC
Represented by: Javier Garrido

Requesting approval to remove approximately 176 square feet of shoreline mangrove trees to construct an observation platform.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of approximately 176 square feet of shoreline mangrove trees to construct an observation platform, at 2861 Key Cove Drive to be replaced with 7 approved trees, each a minimum of 1-inch diameter and 8-feet tall, to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

No: 1 - Vice Chair Pope

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Cunningham, and Chairman McRAE

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cullen, and Commissioner Bravo

New Business

3 Approval of Proposed 2022 Meeting Dates

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, that the Action Item be Approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

4 2123 Staples Avenue/T2021-0309/Masae O. Keohane Requesting approval to remove (1) Royal Poinciana tree.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Royal Poinciana Tree, at 2123 Staples Avenue to be replaced with 14.2 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

5 624 White Street/T2021-0344/Key West Literary Seminar-Arlo Haskell Represented by: Clifton Turner Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cabanas, seconded by Commissioner Bravo, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Mahogany Tree, at 624 White Street to be replaced with 12 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Administrative Hearing

6 3434 Riviera Drive/TC2021-0007/Marcia Peters Respondents: CK Trust & Caribbean Blue Services, Inc. One Mahogany tree was improperly, heavily trimmed without

benefit of a heavy maintenance trimming permit and the work was done improperly (hatracking).

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, that the Administrative Hearing be Postponed to December 14, 2021 and conditioned on staff obtaining the affected tree's measurements to determine the caliper inches required for replacement tree(s). The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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2226 Patterson Avenue/T2021-00008/Anwara Begam

Respondent: Anwar Hossain

Removal of (1) Sapodilla tree without benefit of a tree removal permit.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bravo, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec. 110-291, that the City of Key West enter into a compliance settlement agreement with the respondent, a fine of \$1,500 for the removal of (1) Sapodilla tree without benefit of a tree removal permit. The respondent also agreed to donate 28.9 caliper inches of dicot trees from the approved list, FL#1, and at least one Sapodilla tree, if possible, to the City of Key West. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Reports

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Urban Forestry Manager's Report

Received and Filed

Assistant City Attorney's Report

Public Comments

Commissioner Comments

Adjournment - 6:14 P.M.