



# City of Key West, FL

City Hall  
1300 White Street  
Key West FL 33040

## Action Minutes - Final

### Tree Commission

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Tuesday, September 3, 2024

5:00 PM

City Hall

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**FOR VISUAL PRESENTATIONS:** For City Commission meetings the City Clerk's Office will need a copy of all presentations for the agenda at least 7 days before the meeting.

**Call Meeting To Order - 5:02 P.M.**

#### Roll Call

**Absent** 1 - Commissioner Cunningham

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

#### Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

#### Administering the Oath by the Clerk of the Commission

#### Public Comments

#### Approval of Minutes

1 August 6, 2024

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, to approve the Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Old Business

2 3228 Flagler Avenue/TP2024-0003/Land 10031, LLC-Land

4027, LLC-Land 113, LLC-Land 1071, LLC-Land 2808,  
LLC-Land 8351, LLC-Land 8601, LLC-Land 7009,  
LLC-Land 2421, LLC-Uphoff Investments, LLC-Steven M  
Uphoff

Represented by: Keith Oropeza, Landscape Architect and  
Trepanier & Associates-Owen Trepanier and Thomas  
Francis-Siburg

Requesting approval of final landscape plan.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Cullen, seconded by Commissioner  
Pope, based on Section 108 and pursuant to the staff report, that the final  
landscape plan be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

### New Business

- 3                   430 Greene Street/430 Greene, LLC, Rossi Family Limited  
Partnership, and M& M Enterprises of the Florida Keys Inc  
Represented by: Trepanier & Associates Inc (Owen  
Trepanier)  
Requesting Landscape Plan Waiver for a major  
development plan to reconstruct a bar on a constrained site.

**Attachments:**     [TP2024-0006 Staff Report 430 Greene Final](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner  
Cullen, to approve the application as presented as a legal non-conforming  
involuntarily destroyed structure with the suggestion for the applicant to make  
a donation to the City tree fund. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### Old Business (Continued)

- 4                   Resolution for reporting violations of Florida Statute  
163.045 to the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA)

**Attachments:**     Resolution  
                          Cover Memo  
                          TC Resolution - Danger Tree Violations

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner  
Cullen, to approve the Resolution as amended with direction to staff to forward  
to the City Commission for further action. The motion passed unanimously.

Enactment No: TC 24-03

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**New Business (Continued)**

- 5                    1 Golf Club Drive/T2024-0244/John Behmke  
Represented by: Dot Palm Landscaping, Inc  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo limbo tree  
  
*Attachments:*     [staff report](#)  
  
A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Gumbo Limbo tree, at 1 Golf Club Drive 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 by unanimous vote.
- 6                    901 Thomas Street/T2024-0243/Carol J Strachan  
Represented by: John Cole-Shade Tree, Inc  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Orange Geiger tree  
  
*Attachments:*     [staff report](#)  
  
A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, to Postpone this item to the October 1, 2024 Tree Commission meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
- 7                    929 Truman Street/2024-0254/Seth Dudley-Reel  
Developers II, LLC  
Represented by Clifton Turner-Shorty's Tree & Lawn Care, LLC  
Requesting approval to remove (2) Gumbo limbo trees  
  
*Attachments:*     [staff report](#)  
  
A motion was made by Commissioner Cabanas, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (2) Gumbo Limbo trees, at 929 Truman Avenue to be replaced with 19.4 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site, with the option for an in-lieu donation to be made to the City tree fund. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 8                    1505 Johnson Street/2024-0252/Nick Geisler-Geisler  
Conwill Investments, LLC  
Represented by: Dot Palm Landscaping, Inc  
Requesting approval to remove (3) Gumbo limbo trees  
  
*Attachments:*     [staff report](#)  
  
A motion was made by Commissioner Cabanas, seconded by Commissioner Pope, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (3) Gumbo Limbo trees, at 1505 Johnson Street to be replaced with 32.6 caliper inches of

dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site, with the option for an in-lieu donation to be made to the City tree fund. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 9 719 Washington Street/T2024-0253/Ofack Development Group  
Represented by: John Hartman  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Strangler fig

Attachments: [staff report](#)

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 719 Washington Street to be replaced with 17.2 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 10 2829 Venetian Drive/T2024-0264/Ki Wing (Kevin) Cheung  
Represented by: Eric Gartenmayer  
Requesting approval to remove 77 square feet of native trees (1) Buttonwood clump, (1) White mangrove and (4) Red mangrove trees, to install dock

Attachments: [staff report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cabanas, seconded by Commissioner Pope, to Postpone this item to the October 1, 2024 Tree Commission meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

- 11 3724 Sunrise Lane/T2024-0274/Todd Webster  
Represented by: Kenneth King  
Requesting approval to remove (1) Eucalyptus tree

Attachments: [staff report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cabans, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Eucalyptus tree, at 3724 Sunrise Drive to be replaced with 6.2 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## Reports

- 12 City Attorney's Report  
  
Urban Forestry Manager's Report

Attachments: [August 2024 Monthly Report](#)

Received and Filed

**Commissioner Comments**

**Adjournment - 6:15 P.M.**