



City of Key West, FL

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Key West FL 33040

Action Minutes - Final

Tree Commission

Tuesday, October 1, 2024

5:00 PM

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

Roll Call

Present 6 - Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cullen, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Johnson, 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

Approval of Minutes

1 September 3, 2024

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

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

Old Business

2 WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT: 901 Thomas Street/T2024-0243/Carol J Strachan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](#)

Withdrawn

- 3 WITHDRAWN BY APPLICANT: 1019 South Street/T2024-0269/CM South Revocable Trust-Paul M (Matt) and Carrie Stohner
Represented by: Sean Creedon-Tree Man, LLC
Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo limbo tree

Withdrawn

New Business

- 4 PROPOSED ADD ON ITEM: 711 Frances Street "Right of Way"/T2024-0220/City of Key West, Florida
Represented by: Amy L. Dismukes
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree

Attachments: [6.8.21 UFM req for heavy maintenance and report](#)
[6.7.24 Emergency permit for heavy maintenance](#)
[7.8.24 UFM req for heavy mainenance_cabling and report](#)
[7.17.24_email requests for independant consultant](#)
[7.25.24 email thread regarding consultant request](#)
[9.3.24_requests for cabling estimates](#)
[9.12.24 T2024-0220 with M. McCoy \(Green Leaf\) report](#)
[Emails_not candidate for cabling](#)
[9.16.24 T2024-0220 Emergency permit for removal](#)
[TreeRiskAssessment711Frances - SupplementalReport](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, to approve the addition of the proposed add-on item at 711 Frances Street Right of Way to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Pope, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the emergency removal permit of (1) Mahogany tree at 711 Frances Street Right of Way. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cullen, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Johnson, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

- 5 Seaside Court North/T2024-0291/Traci Gullede-Seaside

Key West Residence

Represented by: John Hartman

Requesting approval to remove (2) Silver buttonwood trees

Attachments: [staff report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cunningham, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (2) Green Buttonwood trees, at Seaside Court North to be replaced with 35.5 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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222 Eanes Lane/T2024-0289/Ursula Welters Elliott

Represented by: Clifton Turner-Shorty's Tree & Lawn Care LLC

Requesting approval to remove (1) Avocado 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) Avocado tree, at 222 Eanes to be replaced with 8.3 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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319 Duval Street/T2024-0292/Andrea Wagner-Key West Womans Club

Represented by: John Hartman

Requesting approval to remove (1) Royal poinciana, (1) Tamarind and (4) Spanish lime trees

Attachments: [staff report](#)

Commissioner Cullen recused herself from this item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (2) Green Buttonwood trees, at Seaside Court North to be replaced with 35.5 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

Recuse: 1 - Commissioner Cullen

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Johnson, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

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1735 Bahama Drive/T2024-0294/William Wood-Starfish Property Solutions LLC

Represented by: John Hartman

Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo limbo, (1) Green buttonwood and (1) Mahogany trees

Attachments: [staff report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cunnhingham, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Gumbo Limbo, (1) Green Buttonwood, and (1) Mahogany tree, at 1735 Bahama Drive to be replaced with 34.5 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

No: 1 - Chairman McRAE

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cullen, Commissioner Cunningham, Commissioner Johnson, and Vice Chair Pope

- 9 1004-1006 Seminary Street/T2024-0297/Leslie
Leohr-WRM-Key West LLC and Roger Kepford
Represented by: John Hartman
Requesting approval to remove (1) Strangler fig tree

Attachments: [staff report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Pope, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Strangler Fig tree, at 1004-1006 Seminary Street to be replaced with 80.8 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 1225 Olivia Street/T2024-0303/Tammy Harrow-Harrow
Family Trust
Represented by: Clifton Turner-Shorty's Tree & Lawn Care
LLC
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 1225 Olivia Street to be replaced with 17.9 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion carried by the following vote:

No: 2 - Commissioner Cullen, and Commissioner Cunningham

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Johnson, Vice Chair Pope, and Chairman McRAE

- 11 1500 Rose Street/T2024-0305/Greg Sullivan
Represented by: Kenneth King
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany and (1)
Seagrape tree

Attachments: [staff report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Mahogany and (1) Seagrape tree, at 1500 Rose Street to be replaced with 34.8 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 12 2300 Staples Avenue/T2024-0306/Daniel & Analise
 Andrews
 Represented by: Kenneth King
 Requesting approval to remove (1) Golden shower tree

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) Golden Shower tree, at 2300 Staples Avenue to be replaced with 6 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 13 719 South Street/T2024-0307/Maggie Peterson-Red Palm
 Rentals LLC
 Represented by: Kenneth King
 Requesting approval to remove (1) Seagrape tree

Attachments: [staff report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Pope, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Seagrape tree, at 719 South Street to be replaced with 5.2 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 14 511 Caroline Street/T2024-0309/One of One Curry Mansion
 LLC
 Represented by Chris Hilleary
 Requesting approval to remove (1) Tamarind 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) Tamarind tree, at 511 Caroline Street to be replaced with 16 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 15 3700 Sunrise Lane/T2024-0314/Jim Dalton
 Represented by Sean Creedon-Tree Man LLC
 Requesting approval to remove (2) Seagrape trees

Attachments: [staff report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by

Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (2) Seagrape trees, at 3700 Sunrise Lane to be replaced with 21.6 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 16 525 Olivia Street/T2024-0313/Joanne Garzarella
Represented by: Sean Creedon-Tree Man LLC
Requesting approval to remove (1) Avocado tree

Attachments: [staff report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Cabanas, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Avocado tree, at 525 Olivia Street to be replaced with 4.2 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1 to be planted on site. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- 17 619-621 Duval Street/T2024-0007/619 Duval Company, c/o
Duval Group (Charles Ittah/Shlomo D'Jamal/Uri Gamal)
Represented by: Keith Oropeza, Landscape Architect and
Trepanier & Associates Inc (Owen Trepanier/Thomas
Francis-Siburg
Requesting approval of conceptual landscape design

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, to approve the conceptual landscape plan as modified. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business - Continued

- 18 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 Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Pope, to table this item until the end of the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, to postpone this item indefinitely, or until the applicant provides a representative. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports

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City Attorney's Report

Urban Forestry Manager's Report

Attachments: [September 2024 Monthly Report
monthly report and notice](#)

Received and Filed

Public Comments

Commissioner Comments

Adjournment - 7:15 P.M.