



City of Key West, FL

City Hall
1300 White Street
Key West FL 33040

Action Minutes - Final

Tree Commission

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

5:00 PM

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

Roll Call

Absent 2 - Commissioner Henriquez, and Commissioner Johnson

Present 5 - Commissioner Cabanas, Commissioner Cullen, Commissioner Cunningham, 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 January 21, 2025

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

New Business

2 1412 White Street-Washington Street Right of Way/T2025-0004/City of Key West

Requesting approval to remove (1) Royal Poinciana tree.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Pope, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Royal Poinciana tree, at 1412 White Street to be replaced with 18.5 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, and at least one Royal Poinciana to be planted on site. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

3 323 Whitehead Street/T2025-0012/Banyan Tree of Key West

Represented by: John Hartman

Requesting approval to remove (1) Sapodilla tree.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Sapodilla tree, at 323 Whitehead Street to be replaced with 17.3 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

4 3101 N. Roosevelt Blvd (Ibis Bay)/TP204-0016/Christopher Holland LLC

Represented by: Keith Oropeza

Requesting conceptual landscape plan approval with tree removal for a development plan to demolish and rebuild the hotel. The proposed plan includes the removals of (1) Sea Grape, (6) Autograph trees, (1) Crabwood, (3) Green Buttonwood, (1) Silver Buttonwood,(1) Mango, (3) Sacred Fig, (1) Frangipani, (1) Gumbo Limbo, (1) Verawood, (1) Jatropha, (1) Barbados Cherry, (189) Coconut Palms, (17) Sabal Palms, (1) Washingtonian Palm, and (10) Fan Palms.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Vice Chair Pope, to approve the Conceptual Landscape Plan as presented with tree removals at 3101 N. Roosevelt Boulevard. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

5 Withdrawn: 324 Elizabeth Street/T2025-0011/Pagitt House LLC

Represented by: John Hartman

Requesting approval to remove (2) Royal Poinciana trees.

Withdrawn

- 6 1321 & 1325 Simonton Street and 625 South Street
(Southwind Motels)/TP2025-0001/Meisel Holdings FL 1321
Simonton Street LLC
Represented by: Keith Oropeza
Requesting conceptual landscape plan approval with tree
removal for a development plan to demolish and rebuild the
motel. The proposed plan includes the removals of (1)
Frangipani, (7) Gumbo Limbo, (3) Paradise trees, (4)
Mahogany, (1) Strangler Fig, (3) Spanish Stopper, (1)
Verawood, (1) Pigeon Plum, (7) Crabwood, (1) Jatropha, (2)
Black Ironwood, (3) Thatch Palms, (7) Alexander Palms,
(13) Montgomery Palms, (15) Christmas Palms, (3) Queen
Palms, (2) Fan Palms, (13) Coconut Palms, (1) Royal Palm,
and (1) Sabal Palm.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by
Commissioner Cullen, to approve the Conceptual Landscape Plan as presented
with tree removals at 1321 & 1325 Simonton Street and 625 South Street and
Final Landscape Plan approval handled administratively through the Urban
Forestry Manager. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

- 7 903 Frances Street/T2025-0009/Kimberley Darby
Represented by: Deborah Hindsley
Requesting approval to remove (1) Green Buttonwood tree.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by
Commissioner Cullen, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal
of (1) Green Buttonwood tree, at 903 Frances Street to be replaced with 12.6
caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list, FL#1, to be planted
on site. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

- 8 903 Frances Street-Havana Lane
Right-of-Way/T2025-0020/City of Key West and Kimberley
Darby
Represented by Deborah Hindsley
Requesting approval to remove (1) Green Buttonwood tree.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Cunningham, seconded by Vice Chair
Pope, in accordance with Sec.110-327, to approve the removal of (1) Green
Buttonwood tree, at 903 Frances Street-Havana Lane Right-of-Way to be
replaced with 10 caliper inches of dicot or fruit trees from the approved list,**

FL#1, to be planted on site. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Discussion Items

- 9 Mallory Square Master Plan
Discussed

Reports

Public Comments

Commissioner Comments

Adjournment - 5:49 P.M.