



City of Key West, FL

City Hall
1300 White Street
Key West FL 33040

Action Minutes - Final

Tree Commission

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

5:00 PM

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ALL VISUAL PRESENTATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS MUST BE RECEIVED (24) TWENTY-FOUR HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

Call Meeting To Order 5:00 PM

Roll Call

Absent 1 - Ms. Bravo

Present 5 - Mr. Kapsch, Mr. Mellies II, Ms. Sullivan, Ms. Robinson, and Chairman Jackson

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Sue Sullivan, that the be Approved the Agenda as amended, with item 7 being postponed. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

Approval of Minutes

1 October 10, 2017

A motion was made by Commissioner Sue Sullivan, seconded by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

Old Business

- 2 2102 Staples Avenue/File# T17-8589/Carol Masat
Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo Limbo.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Sue Sullivan, seconded by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, in accordance with Sec.110-327, the approval to remove (1) Gumbo Limbo, to include the replacement of 4.1 caliper inches of approved FL #1 dicot or fruit trees to be planted on site, or on city property. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

New Business

- 3 Proposed 2018 Meeting Dates Schedule
- A motion was made by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Neil S. Mellies II, that the Action Item be Approved. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.
- 4 3131 Northside Drive/File# T17-8627/Wells Fargo-FNA Wachovia Bank
Represented by: John Mumford
Requesting approval to remove (1) Gumbo Limbo tree.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Sue Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Glenn Kapsch, in accordance with Sec.110-327, the approval to remove (1) Gumbo Limbo tree, to include the replacement of 10.6 caliper inches of approved FL #1 dicot or fruit trees to be planted on site. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.
- 5 1108 Watson Street/File# T17-8633/Annabel Williams
Represented by: Nick Downs-A Caring Tree Company
Requesting approval to remove (1) Autograph tree and (1) Cherry tree.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Glenn Kapsch, seconded by Commissioner Neil S. Mellies II, in accordance with Sec.110-327, the approval to remove (1) Autograph and (1) Cherry tree to include the replacement of 24.9 caliper inches of approved FL #1 dicot or fruit trees to be planted on site. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

- 6 5900 College Road/File# T17-8635/Lower Keys Medical Center
Represented by: John Mumford
Requesting approval to remove (1) Sea Grape, (1) Sapodilla, and (1) Gumbo Limbo tree in order to create additional parking for the hospital and approval of the proposed landscape plan.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Glenn Kapsch, seconded by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, in accordance with Sec.110-327, the approval to remove (1) Sea Grape, (1) Sapodilla and (1) Gumbo Limbo tree, to include the replacement of 54.4 caliper inches of approved FL #1 dicot or fruit trees to be planted on site, trying to transplant the Gumbo Limbo if possible, and the approval of the final landscape plan. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**
- 7 POSTPONED-1231 South Street/File# T17-8639/Linda Sisson
Requesting approval to remove (1) Mahogany tree.
- Postponed**
- 8 261 Southard Street/File# T17-8656/William & Linda Horrocks
Represented by: DOT Palm Landscaping Inc
Requesting approval to remove (1) Cuban Laurel Fig tree.
- A motion was made by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Glenn Kapsch, in accordance with Sec.110-327, the approval to remove (1) Cuban Laurel Fig tree, to include the replacement of 4.6 caliper inches of approved FL #1 dicot or fruit trees to be planted on site. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**
- 9 1110 17th Street/File# T17-8658/Michael Kelly
Represented by: Quality Lawn Service/Shade Tree Services
Requesting approval to remove (1) Bottlebrush tree.
- A motion was made by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Glenn Kapsch, in accordance with Sec. 110-328 (1), the species, size, Champion Tree status, historical importance and/or condition of the tree make it a unique or rare specimen and the Action Item be Denied. Recommend trimming of tree to remove lower branch. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**
- 10 811 Southard Street/File# T17-8673/Andrew & Eunice Melnick
Represented by: Carl Gilley
Requesting approval to remove (1) Star Apple and (1) African Tulip tree.
- A motion was made by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Glenn Kapsch in accordance with Sec.110-327, the approval to remove (1) Star Apple and (1) African Tulip tree to include the replacement of 28 caliper inches of approved FL #1 dicot or fruit trees to be planted on site. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

- 11 622 Grinnell Street/File# T17-8676/Christopher Belland
Represented by: DOT Palm Landscaping Inc
Requesting approval to remove (1) Barbados Cherry tree.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Sue Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Glenn Kapsch, in accordance with Sec.110-327, the approval to remove (1) Barbados Cherry tree tree, to include the replacement of 8 caliper inches of approved FL #1 dicot or fruit trees to be planted on site. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**
- 12 324 Truman Avenue/File# T17-8680/Sands Family Holdings
Requesting approval to remove (1) Strangler Fig tree.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Sue Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Glenn Kapsch, that the Action Item be Postponed and that the property owners meet with HARC and the Chief Building Official before coming back to ask for the tree removal. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**
- 13 527 Margaret Street/File# T17-8681/Beyer Holdings LLC
Represented by: Carl Gilley
Requesting approval to remove (1) Strangler Fig tree.
- A motion was made by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Neil S. Mellies II, in accordance with Sec.110-327, the approval to remove (1) Strangler Fig tree, to include the replacement of 70 caliper inches of approved FL #1 dicot or fruit trees to be planted on site and on city property. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

Adminstrative Hearings

- 14 320 William Street/Barbara Bowers (owner)
Respondents: Edward Schmanski & James Corum-Jimmy C Trees
Service
Alleged Violation: Removal of the heart/top of (1) regulated Fan Palm
without benefit of a tree removal permit.
- A motion was made by Commissioner Sue Sullivan, seconded by Madam Vice-Chair Robin Robinson, in accordance with Sec. 110-291 that the City of Key West enter into a compliance settlement agreement with the respondent, a fine for a total of \$1,000.00 for 2 separate counts at \$500.00 each. 1.Tree Abuse with irreparable damage and 2. Removing a Palm tree without a permit. The respondent agreed to the compliance settlement agreement.**

Urban Forestry Manager's Report

- 15 Monthly Tree Report

Assistant City Attorney's Report

Public Comment

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Commissioner's Report

Adjournment 6:45 PM