TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: February 13, 2018

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Thomas G. Bradford, Town Manager

FROM: H. Paul Brazil, P.E., Director of Public Works

RE: Historic or Specimen Tree Designation/De-designation at Various Town Locations

Resolution No. 16-2018

DATE: January 24, 2018

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town staff requests that Town Council approve Resolution No. 16-2018 and the designation/de-designation assignment of a Historic/Specimen (H/S) trees as described below.

GENERAL INFORMATION

There are ninety-nine (99) trees on the island that have been designated as H/S trees. These trees are inspected annually by the Town arborist. During the inspection, the trees are evaluated to determine if they are of suitable quality and condition to remain as a H/S tree and an inspection report is provided to the owner. The Town ordinance allows for relocation of trees and adding trees that are deemed to be of H/S quality.

After Hurricane Irma, the Town arborist performed a post-storm inspection of the H/S trees and found that a majority of the trees will recover from the damage sustained during the storm. A limited number were damaged, will not sufficiently recover, and will need to be de-designated. The Town Ordinance regarding H/S tree replacement does not address replacement due to storm events and, the owners of the properties are under no obligation to replace the tree. At all locations, the residents have asked the arborist to review the other trees on the property and identify any possible candidates as replacements to the de-designated trees.

300 El Brillo

Damaged Tree - Ficus Aurea Replacement - Haden Mango

1255 South Ocean Boulevard

Damaged Tree - Water Chestnut Tree Replacement - Silk Floss

Two (2) other trees on the property have been identified as possible additions to the H/S list and are being considered by the owner for future inclusion.

1265 South Ocean Blvd

This address is a combination of multiple properties that were previously the Blossom Way estate. All seventeen (17) of the H/S trees on the properties will be recorded to 1265 South Ocean Boulevard property.

Damaged Tree – Ice Cream Bean Tree Replacement – Ice Cream Bean Tree

Damaged Tree – Black Calabash Replacement – Black Calabash

Damaged Tree – Monkey Flower Replacement – Monkey Flower

Damaged Tree – Rose of Venezuela Replacement – Rose of Venezuela

Damaged Tree – Spring Orchid Replacement – Spring Orchid

Damaged Tree – Buford Holly Replacement – Buford Holly

Damaged Tree – Tropical Crepe Myrtle Replacement – Tropical Crepe Myrtle

Damaged Tree – Elephant Apple Replacement – Elephant Apple

Due to construction on the property, the owners are requesting a delay in replacing the trees until construction is completed and an operational irrigation system is in place. Because the damaged trees are older and near the end of their life cycle, the landscape architect has pledged to find replacement trees of significantly higher quality and better longevity. Town staff agrees with this request.

The landscape architect at 1265 South Ocean Boulevard has requested permission to relocate the Red Cassia tree. Town staff and the arborist have reviewed the tree, the proposed new location and staff recommends that Council approve this request. The Town ordinance requires the replacement of any H/S tree that does not survive the transplanting process to be replaced with two (2) trees of equal size and all parties agree this would be the applicable to this relocation request.

After the completion of the Bradley Park project, Town staff and the arborist identified two (2) trees of specimen quality. We recommend the designation of the Black Olive tree and the Sea Grape tree. Staff feels that both trees would be a welcome addition to the H/S list and the new total of historic or specimen trees would be one hundred and one (101).

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT:

There would be no impact to the budget unless the property owners participate in the voluntary maintenance program and fee as described in the Town Ordinance.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

The Town Attorney has reviewed this Resolution and approved it for legal form and sufficiency.

cc: Eric B. Brown, P.E., Assistant Director of Public Works/Operations Brett Madison, Facilities Maintenance Division Manager Elisabeth Thebault, President, Garden Club of Palm Beach Richard Maxwell, Town Arborist

RESOLUTION NO. 16-2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGNATION AND/OR THE DE-DESIGNATION OF THE HISTORIC/SPECIMEN TREES AT 300 EL BRILLO, 1255 AND 1265 SOUTH OCEAN BOULEVARD AND BRADLEY PARK, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, as follows:

Section 1. The strangler fig (botanical name: Ficus Aurea) designated as a historic or specimen tree shall be removed from 300 El Brillo Way and the haden mango tree (botanical name: Mangifera Indica) shall be added as a historic or specimen tree with the Palm Beach County Clerk:

300 El Brillo Way (PCN/ Legal: 50-43-43-27-07-000-0010)

Count	Common Name	Botanical Name
1	Strangler Fig	Ficus Aurea
1	Haden Mango	Mangifera Indica

Section 2. The water chestnut (botanical name: Pachira Aquatica) designated as a historic or specimen tree shall be removed from 1255 South Ocean Boulevard and the silk floss tree (botanical name: Chorisia Speciosa) shall be added as a historic or specimen tree with the Palm Beach County Clerk:

1255 South Ocean Blvd (PCN/Legal: 50-43-44-02-10-000-007)

Count	Common Name	Botanical Name
1	Water Chestnut	Pachira Aquatica
1	Silk Floss	Chorisia Speciosa

Section 3. The ice cream bean (botanical name: Inga Inicuil), the black calabash (botanical name: Amphitecna Latifolia), the monkey flower (botanical name: Phyllocarpus Septentrionalis), the tropical crepe myrtle (botanical name: Lagerstromia Floribunda), and the elephant apple (botanical name: Dillenia Indica) designated as historic or specimen trees shall be removed from 20 Blossom Way:

20 Blossom Way (PCN/Legal: 50-43-44-02-10-000-0040)

Count	Common Name	Botanical Name
1	Ice Cream Bean	Inga Inicuil
1	Black Calabash	Amphitecna Latifolia
1	Monkey Flower	Phyllocarpus Septentrionalis
1	Tropical Crepe Myrtle	Lagerstromia Floribunda
1	Elephant Apple	Dillenia Indica
1	Golden Shower	Cassia Fistula
1	Tulipwood	Harpullia Arborea
1	Mammee Apple Tree	Mammea Americana
2	Shaving Brush Trees	Pseudobombax Ellipticum
1	Jambolan Plum	Syzgium Cumini

<u>Section 4</u>. The Spring Orchid (botanical name: Bauhinia Variegata) and Rose of Venezuela (botanical name: Brownea Grandiceps) designated as a historic or specimen tree shall be removed from 10 Blossom Way:

10 Blossom Way (PCN/Legal: 50-43-44-02-10-000-0050)

<u>Count</u>	Common Name	<u>Botanical Name</u>
1	Spring Orchid	Bauhinia Variegata
1	Rose of Venezuela	Brownea Grandiceps
1	Red Cassia	Cassia Afrofistula

<u>Section 5.</u> The Burford Holly (botanical name: Ilex Cornutta Burfordii) designated as a historic or specimen tree shall be removed from 50 Blossom Way:

50 Blossom Way (PCN/Legal:50-43-43-15-00-001-0080)

Count	Common Name	Botanical Name
1	Burford Holly	Ilex Cornutta Burfordii
1	Lignum Vitae	Guaiacum Officinale
1	Pink Trumpet Tree	Tabebuia Pallida

<u>Section 6.</u> The trees described in Sections 3, 4 and 5 shall be added as historic or specimen trees at 1265 South Ocean Boulevard and recorded with the Palm Beach County Clerk.

1265 South Ocean Blvd (PCN/Legal: 50-43-44-02-10-000-0010)

Count	Common Name	Botanical Name
1	Ice Cream Bean	Inga Inicuil
1	Black Calabash	Amphitecna Latifolia
1	Monkey Flower	Phyllocarpus Septentrionalis
1	Tropical Crepe Myrtle	Lagerstromia Floribunda
1	Elephant Apple	Dillenia Indica
1	Golden Shower	Cassia Fistula
1	Tulipwood	Harpullia Arborea
1	Mammee Apple Tree	Mammea Americana
2	Shaving Brush Trees	Pseudobombax Ellipticum
1	Jambolan Plum	Syzgium Cumini
1	Spring Orchid	Bauhinia Variegata
1	Rose of Venezuela	Brownea Grandiceps
1	Red Cassia	Cassia Afrofistula
1	Burford Holly	Ilex Cornutta Burfordii
1	Lignum Vitae	Guaiacum Officinale
1	Pink Trumpet Tree	Tabebuia Pallida

<u>Section 7.</u> The red cassia tree (botanical name: Cassia Afrofistula) located at 1265 South Ocean Blvd. shall be removed and relocated to a new location on the property.

Count	Common Name	Botanical Name
1	Red Cassia	Cassia Afrofistula

Section 8. The sea grape tree (botanical name:Cocoloba Uvifera) and the black Olive tree (botanical name: Bucida Buceras) shall be added as historic or specimen trees at Bradley Park and recorded with the Palm Beach County Clerk.

Bradley Park (PCN/Legal: 50-43-43-22-00-000-1010)

Count	Common Name_	Botanical Name
1	Sea Grape	Coccoloba Uvifera
1	Black Olive	Bucida Buceras

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption as provided by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in a regular adjourned session of Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach this 13th day of February.

Gail L. Coniglio, Mayor	Richard M. Kleid, Town Council President
	Danielle H. Moore, Council President Pro Tem
	Julie Araskog, Town Council Member
ATTEST:	Bobbie Lindsay, Town Council Member
Kathleen Dominguez, Town Clerk	Margaret A. Zeidman, Town Council Member