TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: May 8, 2018

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

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

RE: Historic or Specimen Tree Designation at Three Locations

Resolution No. 68-2018

DATE: April 18, 2018

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town staff requests that Town Council approve Resolution No. 68-2018 and the designation assignment of Historic/Specimen (H/S) trees as described below.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Town staff administers the H/S Trees Program on behalf of the Garden Club of Palm Beach. One hundred and one (101) trees on the island are designated as H/S trees. The Town arborist inspects these trees annually. 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 the addition of trees that are deemed to be of H/S quality. The Town arborist has identified the following trees as candidates for the H/S list and the respective owners, or their representatives, have agreed to allow the trees to be designated.

1255 South Ocean Boulevard

Common NameScientific NameWeeping Bottlebrush TreeCallistemon ViminalisWeeping EucalyptusEucalyptus Lacrimans

Four Arts Garden

Common NameScientific NameDwarf Sugar PalmArenga Engleri

The Garden Club feels that these trees would be a welcomed addition to the H/S list and the new total of historic or specimen trees would be one hundred and four (104).

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