

## LANDSCAPE NARRATIVE RESPONSE

**Permit Number:** HPB22-0545

**Sanctuary Hotel**

1745 James Avenue

Miami Beach, FL 33139

### **Applicant Responses:**

**Urban Forestry:** (Ander Alvarez)

#### **Reference #1: Page LR-101**

Reviewer Comment: Species listed as "TBD" is unacceptable.

Applicant Response: Acknowledged. Species for Tree/Palms # 8, 9, 26, and 27 have been listed, please refer to 'Existing Tree Disposition Schedule' chart, Sheet LR-101.

#### **Reference #2: Page LR-101**

Reviewer Comment: Trees #10, 11, and 12; why are these not included in the mitigation count?

Applicant Response: Trees #10, 11, and 12 are Ficus Benjamina, a prohibited tree species, however, all 3 trees have been included in the mitigation count. Refer to 'Existing Trees/Palms Mitigation Schedule' chart, Sheet LR-101.

#### **Reference #3: Page LR-101**

Reviewer Comment: For the "Proposed Trees and Palms Schedule" chart, the canopy credit does not match the true canopy spread area. The City of Miami Beach uses DBH to calculate mitigation requirement, replacement tree canopy spread is not used.

Applicant Response: Acknowledged. Mitigation Charts and Proposed Trees Schedule have been updated and meet the minimum mitigation and planting requirements. For mitigation updates refer to 'Existing Trees/Palms Mitigation Schedule' and 'Proposed Trees Mitigation Schedule' charts, Sheets LR-101.

#### **Reference #4: Page LR-101**

Reviewer Comment: Palms under 15 foot in height do not require mitigation.

Applicant Response: Acknowledged. Mitigation Charts have been updated. Refer to 'Existing Trees/Palms Mitigation Schedule' chart, Sheet LR-101.

#### **Reference #5: Page LR-200**

Reviewer Comment: The "Tree Protection Detail" calls for a 5 inch layer of mulch, that is too high. 2 to 3 inches max.

Applicant Response: Acknowledged. Tree Protection Detail has been updated per latest 'City of Miami Beach Tree Protection Detail'; mulch layer has been updated as well (from 5" to 2-3" max). Refer to 'City of Miami Beach Tree/Palm Protection Detail #3', Sheet LR-200.

**Reference #6: Page LR-200**

Reviewer Comment: Under the "Warranty" section, subsection 7.3 states "The decision to replace based on poor health is at the discretion of the landscape Architect". That decision shall be at the discretion of the Urban Forestry Division.

Applicant Response: Acknowledged. Warranty note has been updated: "The decision to replace based on poor health is at the discretion of the Urban Forestry Division". Refer to 'Warranty' Section, subsection 7.3, Sheet LR-200.

**Reference #7: Page LR-200**

Reviewer Comment: For fertilization, be mindful of the fertilizer ban which runs from May 15 to October 31.

Applicant Response: Acknowledged. Fertilization note has been added, refer to '6.4 Fertilization Section', subsection 6.4.1, Sheet LR-200.

**Reference #8: Page LP-300**

Reviewer Comment: Under General Landscape Notes it refers to the use of the Florida Grades and Standards from 1973, 1975. The newest, 2022 edition, shall be used.

Applicant Response: Acknowledged. General Landscape Notes have been updated and refers to 'Florida Grades and Standards - Edition 2022'. Refer to 'General landscape Notes' section, subsection 1, Sheet LP-300.

**Planning Landscape:** (Enrique Nunez)

**Reference #1:**

Reviewer Comment: Refer to the Chapter 46 Tree Preservation Ordinance for the tree replacement/mitigation requirements. The total diameter of trees to be removed is in sum of inches, not square feet of canopy loss. Revise the tree disposition and landscape plans to reflect the required mitigation.

Applicant Response: Acknowledged. Mitigation charts and specification for replacement trees have been updated per Chapter 46 -City of Miami Beach Municode. For mitigation updates refer to 'Existing Trees/Palms Mitigation Schedule' and 'Proposed Trees Mitigation Schedule' charts, Sheets LR-101; for Tree Specification updates refer to 'Plant List' chart, Sheet LP-300.