

Ms. Judie Zimomra
City Manager
City of Sanibel

Dear Ms. Zimomra:

As you know, the Sanibel Bicycle Club committed \$15,000 from its fund-raising affiliate Sanibel Trails in Motion towards the construction cost of the pending Shared Use Path extension alongside San-Cap Road from Pine Avenue to the Blind Pass Bridge. The original cost of that project was expected to be approximately \$80,000. Reflecting the Bike Club's promised funds, the City budgeted \$65,000 for the project.

We understand that bids have now been received for the project, and the portion of the staff-recommended bid attributable to the San-Cap path extension project reflects a cost of approximately \$63,000. Thus, the total cost of the San-Cap path project will be less than the currently budgeted amount even before any funds are received from the Bike Club.

As you also know, the Bike Club has concurrently been working on a project to construct a path "Welcoming Center" near the Rutland property on Periwinkle between the Shell Shop and Huxters'.

In light of the savings from the received bids, we would like to respectfully request that \$10,000 of the Club's promised \$15,000 contribution be reallocated from the San-Cap path project to the Welcoming Center project. This will allow the City's cost for the path extension to be approximately \$7,000 less than budget and will enable the Bike Club to achieve its Welcoming Center funding goals with a minimum of additional community fund raising.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Mary L. Miller
President
Sanibel Bicycle Club, Inc.