

10. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Proposal from Sanibel Dog Club, Inc. to develop a Dog Park, financed by the Sanibel Dog Club, Inc., on City owned property and adjacent SCCF property (proposed to be acquired by the City in exchange for other City lands in Sanibel Gardens Subdivision), such parcels previously used as a burn site after Hurricane Charley and generally located adjacent to and north of Island Inn Road and extending from approximately .25 miles to approximately .33 miles west of Tarpon Bay Road.
- viii. Memo previously provided to City Council from Sanibel Dog Club, Inc., President Harvey Sugerman, M.D.

City of Sanibel

Re: Sanibel Dog Park

The Sanibel Dog Club, Inc. has become incorporated as a Florida not-for-profit corporation. In addition, another entity, the Sanibel Dog Park Foundation, Inc. has also become a Florida not-for-profit corporation and has applied for a 501(c)4 Federal not-for-profit status. The latter corporation will be applying for a Federal 501(c)3 status to enable tax deductible donations once it receives its 501(c)4 approval. Copies of the State of Florida not-for-profit status of these corporate entities will be provided prior to the October 7, 2008 City Council meeting.

A site plan for the proposed Sanibel Dog Park, developed by R. Walsh, Landscaping, Inc. is attached to this letter. This site plan includes land currently owned by the Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation. The latter's Board has supported an equivalent exchange of land with the City of Sanibel; this land exchange will require approval by the citizens of Sanibel in a referendum on March 16.

The referendum for this land exchange, as well as a referendum requesting approval for removal of these areas from the City's Environmentally Sensitive Lands Conservation District will be submitted by the City's Attorney to the Sanibel City Council for their approval.

A draft contract between the City of Sanibel and the Sanibel Dog Club, Inc. also will be submitted by the City's Attorney.

A preliminary budget for the development and maintenance of the Sanibel Dog Park is attached. There may be modifications of this budget, especially regarding landscaping plans, which will be dependent upon fund-raising.

The proposed rules for the Sanibel Dog Park have been previously provided to the City and have not been changed; they are included as Exhibit B in the Dog Park Contract. As with most other dog parks, an honor system will be expected of users of the Park. However, members of the Sanibel Dog Club will strongly encourage their support whenever they notice a violation and, if necessary, contact City Police when a dog owner refuses to obey.

Sincerely yours,  
Harvey Sugerman, MD  
President  
Sanibel Dog Club, Inc.