

**CITY OF SANIBEL
RESOLUTION 26-026**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA, CALLING AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE CITY SHOULD CONSTRUCT A ROUNDABOUT AT THE INTERSECTION OF PERIWINKLE WAY, CAUSEWAY BOULEVARD, AND LINDGREN BOULEVARD; PROVIDING FOR THE BALLOT TITLE AND BALLOT QUESTION; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF THE REFERENDUM; REQUESTING THE LEE COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS TO CONDUCT THE REFERENDUM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the intersection of Periwinkle Way, Causeway Boulevard, and Lindgren Boulevard is a critical transportation and gateway intersection within the City of Sanibel, utilized by residents, businesses, visitors, emergency responders, and providing primary access to and from the island; and

WHEREAS, the City has completed engineering studies evaluating alternatives to improve the safety and operation of the intersection, including the Causeway Boulevard and Periwinkle Way Intersection Evaluation (2025), and the Periwinkle Way, Causeway Blvd, Lindgren Blvd. Topographical Right-of-Way Survey (2026), which concluded that both single-lane and double-lane roundabout concepts could be constructed within the existing public right-of-way without requiring the acquisition of land from Pond Apple Park; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that the construction of a roundabout at this intersection is a significant public policy decision that has generated considerable community interest; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to seek the advice of the qualified electors of the City through an advisory referendum before determining whether to proceed with additional design and construction of a roundabout at the intersection; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that conducting an advisory referendum serves a valid public purpose by providing the electorate with an opportunity to express its opinion on this significant transportation matter before the City Council makes its final decision; and

WHEREAS, the advisory referendum is intended solely to obtain the opinion of the electorate and does not authorize the construction of a roundabout, appropriate funds for such construction, or otherwise bind the City Council to any future legislative or budgetary action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA THAT:

SECTION 1. The Sanibel City Council hereby calls for an advisory referendum for the qualified electors of the City of Sanibel for the purpose of obtaining the advisory opinion of the electorate regarding whether the City should proceed with the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Periwinkle Way, Causeway Boulevard, and Lindgren Boulevard.

SECTION 2. The date of the Referendum shall be held in conjunction with the general City election on March 2, 2027.

SECTION 3. The Lee County Supervisor of Elections is requested to cause the necessary ballots to be prepared. The form of the ballots shall be in accordance with ballot forms used by the Supervisor of Elections and shall be, in substance, as follows:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ADVISORY REFERENDUM
CITY OF SANIBEL, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CONSTRUCTION OF A ROUNDABOUT AT THE INTERSECTION OF PERIWINKLE WAY,
CAUSEWAY BOULEVARD, AND LINDGREN BOULEVARD

The City Council is considering whether to replace the existing four-way stop-controlled intersection at Periwinkle Way, Causeway Boulevard, and Lindgren Boulevard with a roundabout. Before deciding whether to proceed, the City Council is seeking voter input through this advisory referendum. A YES vote supports constructing a roundabout. A NO vote opposes constructing a roundabout.

Should the City proceed with constructing a roundabout at this intersection?

- ☐ YES
☐ NO

OR

The City Council is considering whether to replace the existing four-way stop-controlled intersection at Periwinkle Way, Causeway Boulevard, and Lindgren Boulevard with a roundabout. A YES vote supports replacing the existing four-way stop-controlled intersection with a roundabout. A NO vote supports retaining the existing four-way stop-controlled intersection.

Do you favor replacing the existing four-way stop-controlled intersection with a roundabout?

- ☐ YES
☐ NO

OR

The City has studied replacing the existing four-way stop-controlled intersection at Periwinkle Way, Causeway Boulevard, and Lindgren Boulevard with a roundabout. A topographic survey determined that a roundabout can be constructed within the existing public right-of-way.

Should the City Council replace the existing four-way stop-controlled intersection at Periwinkle Way, Causeway Boulevard, and Lindgren Boulevard with a roundabout?

- ☐ YES ☐ NO

OR

The intersection of Periwinkle Way, Causeway Boulevard, and Lindgren Boulevard is currently controlled by a four-way stop. The City is considering replacing the existing four-way stop intersection with a roundabout. A YES vote advises the City Council of your support for

constructing a roundabout. A NO vote advises the City Council of your opposition to constructing a roundabout.

Should the City proceed with constructing a roundabout at this intersection?

☐ YES

☐ NO

SECTION 4. The Lee County Supervisor of Elections is requested, and the City Clerk is directed to publish notice of the general election in accordance with general law.

SECTION 5. The Lee County Supervisor of Elections is requested to cause the necessary absentee ballots to be prepared and make provisions for the distribution and voting of the absentee ballots.

SECTION 6. The Lee County Supervisor of Elections is requested to cause the ballots to be canvassed and to certify same, and in turn, certify the election results to the Sanibel City Council. The Council shall declare the results thereof, and such returns shall be recorded in the minutes of the City Council at the first meeting after such certification.

SECTION 7. The Mayor, City Clerk, City Manager, City Attorney, are authorized to execute all documents and take all actions necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.

SECTION 8. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED IN OPEN AND REGULAR SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA, THIS 18TH DAY OF AUGUST 2025.

Attest:

Scotty Lynn Kelly, City Clerk

Mike Miller, Mayor

Approved as to form and legality:

John D. Agnew, City Attorney

Date filed with City Clerk: _____

Vote of Council Members:

Miller	_____
Henshaw	_____
DeBruce	_____
Johnson	_____
Smith	_____