



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Finance Department

City Council Regular Meeting Date: June 4, 2024

To: City Council
From: Steve C. Chapel, Deputy City Manager/CFO
Date: May 23, 2024

SUBJECT: Sanibel Causeway Traffic Counts – April 2024

As reported to the City by Lee County, the April 2024 Sanibel Causeway inbound vehicle counts increased by 14.75% as compared to April 2023.

The Causeway is open to vehicular traffic after needing significant temporary restoration following the effects of Hurricane Ian on Sanibel. However, the causeway remains an active construction site during the rebuilding phase of the bridges and the spoil islands. Vehicular traffic is expected to be affected for the foreseeable future.

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2024 vs 2023	
January	282,778	311,596	190,919	252,892	61,973	32.46%
February	293,554	317,584	207,699	260,436	52,737	25.39%
March	352,029	363,863	246,296	285,946	39,650	16.10%
April	330,664	332,323	226,212	259,576	33,364	14.75%
May	323,157	303,569	226,250			
June	300,788	279,042	212,373			
July	307,599	299,834	212,189			
August	252,803	257,717	210,811			
September	233,764	199,312	200,549			
October	269,353	-	223,326			
November	281,379	-	213,918			
December	307,355	130,165	208,065			
YTD Total	1,259,025	1,325,366	871,126	1,058,850	187,724	21.55%
Total Year	3,535,223	2,795,005	2,578,607	1,058,850	187,724	(58.94%)

The tables on the following page compare the current year with the last five fiscal years for both fiscal year to date and total year to date counts.

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	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	Change from Prior Month
October	239,426	253,144	246,035	269,353	-	223,326	11.36%
November	261,399	266,766	242,527	281,379	-	213,918	(4.21%)
December	275,964	284,979	270,520	307,355	130,165	208,065	(2.74%)
January	305,372	318,315	282,778	311,596	190,919	252,892	21.54%
February	310,367	321,085	293,554	317,584	207,699	260,436	2.98%
March	355,759	265,546	352,029	363,863	246,296	285,946	9.80%
April	314,979	123,130	330,664	332,323	226,212	259,576	(9.22%)
May	283,526	221,665	323,157	303,569	226,250		
June	256,840	252,000	300,788	279,042	212,373		
July	265,024	255,010	307,599	299,834	212,189		
August	234,099	233,491	252,803	257,717	210,811		
September	207,956	218,338	233,764	199,312	200,549		
Total FY	3,310,711	3,013,469	3,436,218	3,522,927	2,063,463	1,704,159	

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September	207,956	321,085	293,554	317,584	207,699	-
FYTD	2,063,266	1,832,965	2,018,107	2,183,453	1,001,291	1,704,159

Notes

- On March 9, 2020 Governor DeSantis declared a state of emergency for the State of Florida due to COVID-19. On March 17, 2020 Lee County declared a local state of emergency related to the same. The City Council declared a local state of emergency on March 18, 2020. As a result of these actions, visitation and traffic to the island was significantly negatively impacted starting in March 2020. The state of emergency ended in June 26, 2021.
- On September 28, 2022 Hurricane Ian made landfall in Sanibel causing catastrophic damage. The causeway was significantly damaged and vehicular traffic did not resume travel until late October 2022. Traffic counts resumed in December 2022; however, tolls did not resume until January 1, 2023.

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Lee County Toll System
PERIODIC DAILY AVI TRAFFIC REPORT
Sanibel Island

Start Date: 04/01/2024

End Date: 04/30/2024

Revenue Date	Prepaid Variable			Prepaid			AVI Exempt	Total
	AVI	AVI Red	AVI Full	AVI	AVI Red	AVI Full		
04/01/2024	0	0	0	2911	1580	1411	32	5934
04/02/2024	0	0	0	3044	1741	1558	37	6380
04/03/2024	0	0	0	2626	1684	1581	51	5942
04/04/2024	0	0	0	3036	1719	1533	48	6336
04/05/2024	0	0	0	2975	1678	1528	41	6222
04/06/2024	0	0	0	2665	1414	949	10	5038
04/07/2024	0	0	0	2336	1139	715	19	4209
04/08/2024	0	0	0	2509	1585	1455	48	5597
04/09/2024	0	0	0	2685	1690	1548	53	5976
04/10/2024	0	0	0	2734	1699	1570	45	6048
04/11/2024	0	0	0	2499	1710	1579	42	5830
04/12/2024	0	0	0	2830	1633	1543	35	6041
04/13/2024	0	0	0	2589	1382	980	13	4964
04/14/2024	0	0	0	2256	1123	689	13	4081
04/15/2024	0	0	0	2498	1583	1476	35	5592
04/16/2024	0	0	0	2636	1690	1596	37	5959
04/17/2024	0	0	0	2639	1792	1641	36	6108
04/18/2024	0	0	0	2657	1699	1589	36	5981
04/19/2024	0	0	0	2772	1675	1515	33	5995
04/20/2024	0	0	0	2627	1326	971	15	4939
04/21/2024	0	0	0	2261	1122	717	11	4111
04/22/2024	0	0	0	2404	1623	1460	48	5535
04/23/2024	0	0	0	2629	1658	1590	42	5919
04/24/2024	0	0	0	2580	1719	1533	42	5874
04/25/2024	0	0	0	2698	1697	1578	40	6013
04/26/2024	0	0	0	2678	1605	1526	41	5850
04/27/2024	0	0	0	2424	1240	957	16	4637
04/28/2024	0	0	0	1980	1057	708	17	3762
04/29/2024	0	0	0	2332	1541	1501	39	5413
04/30/2024	0	0	0	2478	1592	1596	34	5700
Total:	0	0	0	77988	46396	40593	1009	165986

PERIODIC DAILY LANE TRAFFIC REPORT

Sanibel Island

Start Date: 04/01/2024

End Date: 04/30/2024

Date	Lane 1	Lane 2	Total
04/01/2024	4,516	5,203	9,719
04/02/2024	4,766	5,247	10,013
04/03/2024	4,422	4,903	9,325
04/04/2024	4,799	5,288	10,087
04/05/2024	4,688	5,239	9,927
04/06/2024	3,269	4,822	8,091
04/07/2024	3,144	3,489	6,633
04/08/2024	4,042	4,690	8,732
04/09/2024	4,331	4,870	9,201
04/10/2024	4,353	4,962	9,315
04/11/2024	4,096	4,680	8,776
04/12/2024	4,305	4,985	9,290
04/13/2024	3,780	4,340	8,120
04/14/2024	3,040	3,432	6,472
04/15/2024	4,001	4,691	8,692
04/16/2024	4,316	4,782	9,098
04/17/2024	4,372	4,933	9,305
04/18/2024	4,387	4,885	9,272
04/19/2024	4,328	4,975	9,303
04/20/2024	3,738	4,245	7,983
04/21/2024	3,132	3,415	6,547
04/22/2024	3,982	4,637	8,619
04/23/2024	4,337	4,805	9,142
04/24/2024	4,343	4,853	9,196
04/25/2024	4,351	4,877	9,228
04/26/2024	4,170	4,981	9,151
04/27/2024	3,543	3,976	7,519
04/28/2024	2,877	3,015	5,892
04/29/2024	3,778	4,565	8,343
04/30/2024	3,969	4,616	8,585
Total:	121,175	138,401	259,576