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Hi Steven,

I hope all is well and thank you for all that you do for Sanibel. The purpose of this email is to give resident feedback regarding the shared use path and e-bikes that was recently discussed at the city council meeting. Given the traffic issues that we faced this year many full time residents went out and purchased e-bikes. Using our cars to run an errand during the day, go to work on island, and even grab dinner for our families turned into 1-2 hour ordeals. The e-bike seemed like a wonderful way to lesson the traffic on the island and get around in an environmentally friendly way while supporting businesses on the island. Rather than eliminate their use all together I would ask the council and city manager office to consider allowing type 1 and type 2 e-bikes on the shared use path. I would also like to ask that a speed limit of 15mph or 20mph be posted on the shared use path. I think that this would increase the safety of the path for all those that use it, especially (young and old). Too many times I have seen bikes and e-bikes exceeding this speed and causing a real safety concern for those on the path. I don not believe these excessive speeds are limited to just the e bikes. Furthermore, there are many type 2 e-bikes that do not exceed 15mph and it would seem that these would not present a safety issue and would help with the ongoing traffic issues that the island faces as we continue to rebuild. Thank you.

All the best,

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