

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners  
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20050881

**1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:**

Authorize staff to schedule and advertise a Public Hearing on proposed revised toll structure for the Sanibel Bridges and Causeway for August 9, 2005 at 5:00 p.m. in Chambers.

**2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:**

Allows County staff to proceed with advertising and scheduling a Public Hearing and places the item on the August 9, 2005 agenda for a public hearing to be conducted at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard.

**3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval**

<b>4. Departmental Category:</b> <span style="font-size: 2em; margin-left: 100px;">AQA</span>		<b>5. Meeting Date:</b> <span style="font-size: 1.2em; margin-left: 20px;">06-28-2005</span>
<b>6. Agenda:</b>	<b>7. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)</b>	<b>8. Request Initiated:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Consent	<input type="checkbox"/> Statute	Commissioner <span style="float: right;">All</span>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrative	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	Department <span style="float: right;">Transportation</span>
<input type="checkbox"/> Appeals	<input type="checkbox"/> Admin. Code	Division <span style="float: right;">Administration</span>
<input type="checkbox"/> Public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	By: <span style="float: right;">Scott M. Gilbertson</span>
<input type="checkbox"/> Walk-On	<input type="checkbox"/> Bond Coverage	

**9. Background:**

Lee County closed on the 2005B Transportation Facilities Revenue Bonds on June 22, 2004 for the replacement of the Sanibel Bridges and Causeway.

As part of the settlement agreement with the City of Sanibel dated March 1, 2005, Lee County agreed to use its best efforts to reduce the tolls associated with the commuter discount programs for the Sanibel Causeway.

The attached draft resolution has the proposed toll structure for the Sanibel Causeway.

**10. Review for Scheduling:**

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services				County Manager/P.W. Director
					Analyst	Risk	Grants	Mgr.	
<i>[Signature]</i>	NA			<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i> 6-14-05

**11. Commission Action:**

- Approved
- Deferred
- Denied
- Other

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LEE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; RELATING TO THE CAPE CORAL, MIDPOINT MEMORIAL AND SANIBEL TOLL FACILITIES; REVISE TOLL STRUCTURE FOR THE CAPE CORAL, MIDPOINT MEMORIAL AND SANIBEL DISCOUNT PROGRAMS; REVISE TOLL STRUCTURE FOR SANIBEL DISCOUNT PROGRAMS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, on April 16, 1986, the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida (the "Board"), enacted Lee County Ordinance No. 86-11, providing for the imposition of tolls on certain bridges and causeways and for the issuance of revenue bonds payable therefrom; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board has previously adopted Lee County Resolution Nos. 90-09-26, 90-09-27, 94-08-05, 97-09-53, 01-06-58, and 04-08-60 which established and extended the toll rates and commuter discount programs for the Sanibel Causeway, Midpoint Memorial Bridge and the Cape Coral Bridge collectively, "The Bridges"; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board, on December 18, 1996, adopted Lee County Resolution No. 96-12-105 which sets forth reduced rates for each one-way trip on the Cape Coral Bridge and the Midpoint Memorial Bridge during off-peak hours when using the Automatic Vehicle Identification System (AVI System) for the duration of the congestion pricing program; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board finds and determines that vehicle class, frequency of use and time-of-day use are a reasonable basis for the classification of its tolls; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board now finds it appropriate to further amend the Toll Facilities' Resolutions to better serve the public.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that:

**SECTION ONE:**

Lee County Resolution Nos. 90-09-26, 90-09-27, 94-08-05, 96-12-105, 97-09-53, 01-06-58, and 04-08-60 are hereby amended and superceded by this resolution.

Imposition of Tolls. Commencing on November 1, 2005, the following tolls shall be imposed for use of The Bridges.

I. Cape Coral and Mid-Point Memorial Bridges

A. One-way Trip Tolls

Except as otherwise provided herein, a toll for each one-way trip on the Cape Coral and Midpoint Memorial Bridges shall be paid in accordance with the schedule set forth below:

<u>Vehicle Class</u>	<u>Toll Payment without AVI Device</u>	<u>Toll Payment with AVI Device</u>
Motorcycles	\$ .50	\$ .50
2 axles, 4 tires	\$1.00	\$1.00
2 axles, 6 tires	\$1.00	\$1.00
3 axles	\$2.00	\$2.00
4 axles	\$3.00	\$3.00
5 axles	\$4.00	\$4.00
6 or more axles	\$1.00 per axle	\$1.00 per axle

B. Commuter Discount Programs

The following commuter discount programs utilizing an AVI device will be available for 2-axle, 4-tire vehicles or 2-axle, 6-tire vehicles only:

1. Annual Discount Program

An annual discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of \$40.00 per vehicle or \$20.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Cape Coral and Midpoint Memorial Bridges for a period of twelve months commencing on November 1, upon payment of a \$0.50 toll to be deducted from a prepaid debit account with a positive balance for each one-way trip across the Bridges.

2. Semi-annual Discount Program

A semi-annual discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of \$24.00 per vehicle or \$12.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Cape Coral and Midpoint Memorial Bridges for a period of six months commencing on November 1 or May 1, upon payment of a \$0.50 toll to be deducted from a prepaid debit account with a positive balance for each one-way trip across the Bridges.

3. Unlimited Annual Discount Program

An unlimited annual discount program utilizing an AVI device may be

purchased at a cost of \$330.00 per vehicle or \$165.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Cape Coral and Midpoint Memorial Bridges for a period of twelve months commencing on November 1, without further payment. Unlimited programs require a positive pre-paid debit account with a \$15.00 initial balance. Prorated annual commuter programs will be sold per the following schedule:

<u>Validity Period</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Half-Price</u>
December 1 - October 31	\$309.00	\$155.00
January 1 - October 31	\$288.00	\$144.00
February 1 - October 31	\$267.00	\$134.00
March 1 - October 31	\$246.00	\$123.00
April 1 - October 31	\$222.00	\$111.00

4. Unlimited Semi-annual Discount Program

An unlimited semi-annual discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of \$200.00 per vehicle or \$100.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc. non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Cape Coral and Midpoint Memorial Bridges for a period of six months commencing on November 1 or May 1, without further payment. Unlimited programs require a positive pre-paid debit account with a \$15.00 initial balance. Prorated semi-annual commuter programs will be sold per the following schedule:

<u>Validity Period</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Half-Price</u>
December 1 - April 30	\$168.00	\$84.00
January 1 - April 30	\$136.00	\$68.00
February 1 - April 30	\$104.00	\$52.00
March 1 - April 30	\$ 72.00	\$36.00
June 1 - October 31	\$168.00	\$84.00
July 1 - October 31	\$136.00	\$68.00
August 1 - October 31	\$104.00	\$52.00
September 1 - October 31	\$ 72.00	\$36.00

II. Cape Coral, Mid-Point Memorial, and Sanibel Toll Facilities

A. Combination Commuter Discount Programs

The following combination commuter discount programs utilizing an AVI device for use on the Cape Coral, Midpoint Memorial and Sanibel Toll Facilities will be available for 2-axle, 4-wheel vehicles or 2-axle, 6 wheel vehicles only:

1. Annual Combination Discount Program

An annual combination discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of ~~\$140.00~~ \$107.00 per vehicle of ~~\$70.00~~ \$53.50 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., non-commercial vehicles registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Cape Coral, Midpoint Memorial and Sanibel Toll facilities for a period of twelve months commencing on November 1, upon the payment of a \$0.50 toll deducted from a prepaid debit account with a positive balance at the Cape Coral and Midpoint Memorial Bridges and a ~~\$3.00~~ \$2.00 toll deducted from a prepaid debit account with a positive balance at the Sanibel Toll Facilities.

2. Semi-annual Combination Discount Program

A semi-annual combination discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of ~~\$99.00~~ \$74.00 per vehicle or ~~\$49.50~~ \$37.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., non-commercial vehicles registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Cape Coral, Midpoint Memorial and Sanibel Toll Facilities for a period of six months commencing on November 1 or May 1, upon payment of a \$0.50 toll deducted from a prepaid debit account with a positive balance at the Cape Coral and Midpoint Memorial Bridges and a ~~\$3.00~~ \$2.00 toll deducted from a prepaid debit account with a positive balance at the Sanibel Toll Facilities.

3. Unlimited Annual Combination Discount Program

An unlimited annual combination discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of ~~\$930.00~~ \$730.00 per vehicle or ~~\$465.00~~ \$365.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc. non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when properly installed, will entitle such vehicle to use the Cape Coral, Midpoint Memorial and the Sanibel Toll Facilities for a period of twelve months commencing on November 1, without further payment. Unlimited programs require a positive pre-paid debit account with a \$15.00 initial balance. Prorated annual combination commuter programs will be sold per the following schedule:

<u>Validity Period</u>	<u>Price</u>		<u>Half-Price</u>	
December 1 - October 31	<del>\$884.00</del>	\$692.00	<del>\$442.00</del>	\$346.00
January 1 - October 31	<del>\$838.00</del>	\$654.00	<del>\$419.00</del>	\$327.00
February 1 - October 31	<del>\$792.00</del>	\$616.00	<del>\$396.00</del>	\$308.00
March 1 - October 31	<del>\$746.00</del>	\$578.00	<del>\$373.00</del>	\$289.00
April 1 - October 31	<del>\$697.00</del>	\$537.00	<del>\$349.00</del>	\$268.50

4. Unlimited Semi-annual Combination Discount Program

An unlimited semi-annual combination discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of ~~\$650.00~~ \$500.00 per vehicle or ~~\$325.00~~ \$250.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when the AVI device is properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Cape Coral, Midpoint Memorial and Sanibel Toll Facilities for a period of six months commencing on November 1 and May 1, without further payment. Unlimited programs require a positive pre-paid debit account with a \$15.00 initial balance. Prorated semi-annual combination commuter programs will be sold per the following schedule:

<u>Validity Period</u>	<u>Price</u>		<u>Half-Price</u>	
December 1 - April 30	<del>\$543.00</del>	\$418.00	<del>\$272.00</del>	\$209.00
January 1 - April 30	<del>\$436.00</del>	\$336.00	<del>\$218.00</del>	\$168.00
February 1 - April 30	<del>\$329.00</del>	\$254.00	<del>\$165.00</del>	\$127.00
March 1 - April 30	<del>\$222.00</del>	\$172.00	<del>\$111.00</del>	\$ 86.00
June 1 - October 31	<del>\$543.00</del>	\$418.00	<del>\$272.00</del>	\$209.00
July 1 - October 31	<del>\$436.00</del>	\$336.00	<del>\$218.00</del>	\$168.00
August 1 - October 31	<del>\$329.00</del>	\$254.00	<del>\$165.00</del>	\$127.00
September 1 - October 31	<del>\$222.00</del>	\$172.00	<del>\$111.00</del>	\$ 86.00

III. Sanibel Causeway

A. Sanibel Bound

Except as otherwise provided herein, a full paid toll for each Sanibel bound trip on the Causeway shall be paid in accordance with the schedule set forth below.

<u>Vehicle Class</u>	<u>Toll Payment without AVI Device</u>	<u>Toll Payment with AVI Device</u>
Motorcycles	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00
2 axles, 4 tires	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00
2 axles, 6 tires	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00
3 axles	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00



4 axles	\$12.00	\$12.00
5 axles	\$15.00	\$15.00
6 or more axles	\$ 3.00 per axle	\$ 3.00 per axle

No toll shall be charged for a mainland-bound trip on the Sanibel Causeway.

B. Commuter Discount Programs

The following commuter discount programs will be available for 2-axle, 4-tire vehicles or 2-axle, 6-tire vehicles only:

1. Annual Discount Program

An annual discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of ~~\$100.00~~ \$67.00 per vehicle of ~~\$50.00~~ \$33.50 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., additional non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Sanibel Causeway for a period of twelve months commencing on November 1, upon payment of a ~~\$3.00~~ \$2.00 toll deducted from a prepaid debit account with a positive balance for each Sanibel-bound trip on the Sanibel Causeway.

2. Semi-annual Discount Program

A semi-annual discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of ~~\$75.00~~ \$50.00 per vehicle or ~~\$37.50~~ \$25.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., additional non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Sanibel Causeway for a period of six months commencing on November 1 or May 1, upon payment of a ~~\$3.00~~ \$2.00 toll deducted from a prepaid debit account with a positive balance for each Sanibel-bound trip on the Sanibel Causeway.

3. Unlimited Annual Discount Program

An unlimited annual discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of ~~\$600.00~~ \$400.00 per vehicle or ~~\$300.00~~ \$200.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Sanibel Causeway for a period of twelve months commencing on November 1, without further payment. Unlimited programs require a positive pre-paid debit account with a \$15.00 initial balance. Prorated annual commuter programs will be sold per the following schedule:

<u>Validity Period</u>	<u>Price</u>		<u>Half-Price</u>	
December 1 - October 31	<del>\$575.00</del>	\$383.00	<del>\$288.00</del>	\$191.50
January 1 - October 31	<del>\$550.00</del>	\$366.00	<del>\$275.00</del>	\$183.00
February 1 - October 31	<del>\$525.00</del>	\$349.00	<del>\$263.00</del>	\$174.50
March 1 - October 31	<del>\$500.00</del>	\$332.00	<del>\$250.00</del>	\$166.00
April 1 - October 31	<del>\$475.00</del>	\$315.00	<del>\$238.00</del>	\$157.50

4. Unlimited Semi-annual Discount Program

An unlimited semi-annual discount program utilizing an AVI device may be purchased at a cost of ~~\$450.00~~ \$300.00 per vehicle or ~~\$225.00~~ \$150.00 for the second, fourth, sixth, etc., non-commercial vehicle registered to or leased by the same natural person, which when properly installed will entitle such vehicle to use the Sanibel Causeway for a period of six months commencing on November 1 or May 1, without further payment. Unlimited programs require a positive pre-paid debit account with a \$15.00 initial balance. Prorated semi-annual commuter programs will be sold per the following schedule:

<u>Validity Period</u>	<u>Price</u>		<u>Half-Price</u>	
December 1 - April 30	<del>\$375.00</del>	\$250.00	<del>\$188.00</del>	\$125.00
January 1 - April 30	<del>\$300.00</del>	\$200.00	<del>\$150.00</del>	\$100.00
February 1 - April 30	<del>\$225.00</del>	\$150.00	<del>\$113.00</del>	\$ 75.00
March 1 - April 30	<del>\$150.00</del>	\$100.00	<del>\$ 75.00</del>	\$ 50.00

June 1 - October 31	<del>\$375.00</del>	\$250.00	<del>\$188.00</del>	\$125.00
July 1 - October 31	<del>\$300.00</del>	\$200.00	<del>\$150.00</del>	\$100.00
August 1 - October 31	<del>\$225.00</del>	\$150.00	<del>\$113.00</del>	\$ 75.00
September 1 - October 31	<del>\$150.00</del>	\$100.00	<del>\$ 75.00</del>	\$ 50.00

IV. Variable Pricing Program

During the term of the variable pricing program, a toll for each one-way trip on the Cape Coral and Midpoint Memorial Bridges during off-peak hours when using the AVI System shall be paid in accordance with the schedule set forth below.

These rates for off-peak discounted toll travel shall only be available to toll facility travelers who have established a pre-paid account with a positive balance and obtained an officially authorized AVI device.

<u>Vehicle Class</u>	<u>Off-Peak Hour Toll Payment Without AVI Device</u>	<u>Off-Peak Hour Toll Payment With AVI Device</u>
Motorcycles	\$ .50	\$ .25
2 axles, 4 tires	\$1.00	\$ .50/.25*
2 axles, 6 tires	\$1.00	\$ .50/.25*
3 axles	\$2.00	\$1.00
4 axles	\$3.00	\$1.50
5 axles	\$4.00	\$2.00
6 or more axles	\$1.00 per axle	\$ .50 per axle

(\*The \$.25 discounted rate will be available only to the commuter discount programs as defined and authorized by Paragraphs I.B.1., I.B.2., II.A.1., and II. A.2., above. The 50% discounted rate will be available to all other toll facility travelers who have established a pre-paid account with a positive balance and obtained an officially authorized AVI device.)

Off-peak hours are currently defined as that time between 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.; 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.; 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Days. In the event the Fourth of July, Christmas or New Year's Day falls on

a Saturday or Sunday, the week-day customarily given as a day off to county employees will be excluded from the definition of off-peak hours and no additional discount in accordance with this schedule will be given.

**SECTION TWO:**

This Resolution shall be implemented as of November 1, 2005.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and, being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

DOUGLAS ST. CERNY	_____
BOB JANES	_____
RAY JUDAH	_____
TAMMY HALL	_____
JOHN E. ALBION	_____

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

ATTEST:  
CHARLIE GREEN, CLERK

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Office of County Attorney