



**SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD  
THE CITY OF KEY WEST**

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**To:** City Commissioners  
City Manager

**Date:** December 13, 2012

**Re:** Caroline Street Bike Lane

Dear Leaders,

The Sustainability Board feels very strongly that the City of Key West should remain unified in pursuing balanced and fair travel options for the citizens, visitors and businesses of Key West.

We applaud the most recent version of the Caroline Street Redevelopment Area which calls for a dedicated bicycle lane, while still allowing for wider sidewalks, landscaping and two way traffic. We recognize there were many community comments that went in to that decision and some hard choices to be made, including the elimination of curbside parking along the north side of Caroline between Grinnell and Elizabeth. We also recognize that there is overwhelming support for the bike path from the greater Key West community, who all use this right of way.

Having attended many of the community meetings, we feel it is also very important to make those remaining residential and city parking spots as viable as possible to the nearby businesses and residents. We strongly support better signage at our existing City parking lots, policies to reduce City parking fees for business employees and residents in the Park & Ride garage, and the creation and enforcement of a more localized residential permit.

We feel that the implementation of **all** of these items is what will help the City of Key West attain its greenhouse reduction goals by making our streets safer and friendlier to all modes of transportation.

Thank you,

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