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Mr. Lee, we totally support you in your efforts on ebikes and pedestrian safety. Please include South Roosevelt sidewalks along with North Roosevelt in your concerns. We used to walk South Roosevelt sidewalk in sunrise hours and it is now an unpleasant experience due ebike commuter traffic. No rules of the road are obeyed, no notification or slowing down for pedestrian traffic. It would be reasonable to guess that many, if not most of these folks do not have driving licenses. I believe that ebikes and their drivers should be licensed, have lighting and use the roadway, not a pedestrian or multiuse sidewalk. The problem is spreading beyond KW into adjoining keys. We used to bike the bike/pedestrian path along Rt 1 from Boca Chica to Big Coppitt. In the morning you will be startled or run over by ebike commuters on their way to work . No longer is this path for recreational use. Best wishes and thank you for efforts to regulate this increasing problem.