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**Formula Business Conditional Use Permit for Grocery Outlet**

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**To** Planning <planning@cityofsebastopol.gov>

Dear Chair and Members of the Planning Commission,

I am strongly against the proposed Grocery Outlet in Sebastopol. **Bringing in a low-budget store does not fix the cost of living problem** we face in California. And the idea of having EIGHT grocery stores for a community this small is downright embarrassing.

Safeway, Whole Foods, and CVS are already corporate operations that gobble up precious downtown real estate. **Surrendering the Rite Aid space to Grocery Outlet is completely antithetical to Sebastopol's character.** We should be seizing upon this opportunity to creatively reimagine that space.

**What about a space for winter market? Something like Oxbow in Napa or the Ferry Building in SF?** We could even have a rotating vendor section so that small artisan operations could maybe share space and/or rotate. Why can't we get innovative and keep Sebastopol a unique space in Sonoma County?

CVS downtown is an eyesore & was a terrible mistake. It's ugly, complicates traffic, and is trashy inside. Please let's not make another mistake with Grocery Outlet. It will assuredly create more problems than it solves.

Thank you for reading my comment.  
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