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**To:** City Council <citycouncil@cityofsebastopol.gov>  
**Subject:** A&M BBQ

Good morning,

I am writing to say this city council needs to look for ways to keep businesses within the city limits. The city needs to grow and needs tax revenue. Hearing whispers of that City going broke does not help when you are trying to shut down businesses. This restaurant space was zoned as a restaurant, so let it be a restaurant. Bringing some new flavor to this town was something that got me excited about heading to Sebastopol for lunch on a regular basis. Please consider that this is an important business to help Sebastopol grow as a small city and you all need to support this small business and other small businesses. You're losing Yerba Madre...let's not lose another small business that started in Sebastopol.

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Brian Ford

Formerly of [REDACTED] (as of 5/1)

Now a resident on [REDACTED]  
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