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

I am writing to express my support for A&M BBQ. Whatever health hazards, real or imagined, the the smoke from their weekly food preparations produces must pale when considered against the toxic smoke that hundreds if not thousands of wood burning stoves and fireplaces within the city limits produce during the winter months and on cold mornings through out the year. I assume the majority of complaints come from residents along Petaluma ave. as prevailing winds would carry the odor there. Most if not all of their health issues probably have more to do with the back up of traffic on Petaluma ave during the morning commute when idling cars are putting out a steady stream of exhaust gas. A problem exacerbated by reducing Petaluma ave. to one lane some years back. So short of prohibiting all burning of wood for any reason and not allowing any gas operated vehicles in the city limits, running A&M BBQ out of town will have absolutely miniscule to no effect on the air quality for the small number of complainers. Please do a cost benefits analysis. You will never make everybody happy so don't succumb to the tyranny of the few constant complainers. Regards, David MacArthur