
Support Grocery Outlet's Sebastopol store proposal

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To City Council <citycouncil@cityofsebastopol.gov>

Dear City Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for bringing a Grocery Outlet to Sebastopol.

Young families in our community urgently need affordable grocery options, which our current local stores do not provide. Without affordable choices, residents are increasingly forced to shop outside city limits. This results in a loss of local tax revenue for Sebastopol and increases commute traffic as residents leave and return to the area. Furthermore, when community members shop elsewhere, they also spend their dining and retail dollars in those neighboring communities rather than supporting our local economy.

We need to ensure that Sebastopol remains affordable for the next generation. My children were born and raised here, but they are now finding it difficult to afford living in the area. As a resident who has supported this town for 35 years, I want my grandchild to have the opportunity to grow up in this wonderful community.

I urge you to consider the economic and social benefits of allowing more affordable shopping options like Grocery Outlet into Sebastopol.

Best regards,

Jana and Mike Wacholz

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