

**From:** Renee Harcourt <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 8, 2026 10:58 AM  
**To:** City Council <citycouncil@cityofsebastopol.gov>  
**Subject:** NO Grocery Outlet

Dear City Council,

I am writing to express my disapproval of having a Grocery Outlet move into Sebastopol for several reasons:

- + Sebastopol already has eight markets (if you include Bill's Farmbasket), which already feels like overkill.
- + Having another market in town will only make things harder on the existing eight markets, with the current competition already high.
- + It's a large corporate chain store and it was my understanding that Sebastopol discourages corporate chain stores. I'm confused about this because there seem to be plenty of them here, and with the new pizza place going in, just another to add to the list. One of the reasons we moved here was that there weren't many of these chain/corporate stores, which was part of Sebastopol's charm.
- + I've never seen an attractive, nicely designed Grocery Outlet store.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Renée Harcourt



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