

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
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City Council members,

I bought my first home in Sebastopol at the age of 48. I am a single mother who has worked modest wages as a non-profit advocate for most of my adult life. I bought my small fixer-upper a few years after the housing market crashed, and refinanced twice so now my mortgage costs far less than renting. I am really lucky and I am a unicorn - very few people in my situation could afford to own a home here.

I am writing to ask you to cast a Yes vote in favor of adopting AB 1033. This is a good move for the economic vitality of our town because it could increase property tax revenues. It will increase the diversity and vibrancy of Sebastopol by creating opportunities for younger people and families to afford to buy homes and send their kids to school here. It is a creative way to incentivize in-fill development which is one of the most powerful ways that cities can contribute to curbing climate change. And for people like me whose homes are an important retirement asset, it opens doors for leveraging our investments while helping address the housing shortage. Sebastopol is poised to be the first city in the North Bay and one of the first in the state to implement this new law. Please lead the way and vote to support AB 1033!

Thank you for your consideration,

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