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To: City Council <citycouncil@cityofsebastopol.gov>  
Subject: Eleanor Ave Neighborhood

Dear Council members and Mayor,

I've lived on the corner of Fannen and Eleanor since 1999. In that time, we've had to fight for our neighborhood several times. It's a small and close-knit neighborhood with folks of all ages. Many children have been raised here. Many gardens grow here.

Currently we have a situation with the new BBQ joint at the Luca Center. We all know that they grew the business at an accelerated rate, causing air pollution in the surrounding areas and troublesome driving conditions for those of us who use Walker to get to Main Street. The smoke from their cooking wafts through the neighborhood affecting each household differently. Those at the top of the hill are more greatly affected but those of us at the bottom of the hill notice as well.

More than twenty years ago, I had a similar problem with the auto body shop. I was treated so poorly by the owner when I asked for better filtration. Pregnant at the time, I spent hours and hours contacting various agencies to try to remedy the situation. They were blowing toxic and nauseating fumes into the neighborhood daily. They finally placed some big filters on the roof which partially mitigated the smell and hopefully the toxicity. But the situation was never truly remedied. I still smell it daily. This cannot be healthy.

I'm a proponent of small business and bolstering the local economy. That said, we cannot jeopardize the health of our residents or our environment for things as trivial as smoked meat and shiny car paint. These are unreasonable risks with very little value. Quality of life is not improved enough by smoked meat to make people (and potentially animals and the water system) sick. The numbers don't pencil out.

I'm asking you to take action to protect your community and our health and happiness. Please regulate and monitor these businesses who seem to be under the impression that they can do whatever they like just to make a buck.

Thank you for your attention,  
Trish Davis

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