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Sent: Tuesday, July 7, 2026 1:23 PM
To: City Council <citycouncil@cityofsebastopol.gov>
Subject: Grocery Outlet

Greetings,

I am writing to formally oppose the proposed Grocery Outlet project in downtown Sebastopol and respectfully urge the Planning Commission to deny the Conditional Use Permit application.

Sebastopol already has multiple grocery stores serving the community, and I do not believe another grocery retailer is necessary, particularly a large discount chain in a prominent downtown location.

I am also concerned about the additional traffic and impacts this type of project could create in an already busy area of town.

Sebastopol's General Plan emphasizes preserving community character, supporting local businesses, and maintaining downtown vitality. I believe this site presents an opportunity for uses that would better serve long-term community needs and align more closely with Sebastopol's locally rooted identity.

Rather than adding another formula retail grocery store to an already saturated market, I believe the City should carefully consider community-oriented alternatives that would strengthen Sebastopol's long-term economic and social vitality.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask the Planning Commission and City Council to deny the proposed Conditional Use Permit application for Grocery Outlet.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Trish Spence