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To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Do not pass the "Smart" water meters; Agenda item #12, Dec. 7, 2021 City Council meeting
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Dear City Council and Staff,

I'm writing as a long-term resident of West County and Sebastopol, with family roots that go back to Graton and Sebastopol since the early 1900's. I lived here with my Grandmother while I attended SSU, worked here after getting my degree, and now reside and rent in Sebastopol with my husband, our toddler, and our two school-aged children. We are glad to be able to live here, and are glad that we are able to Opt out of having to live with a PG & E "Smart" meter on our townhouse. Now we understand that there's an attempt to put "Smart" water meters on multi-unit buildings such as the one we live in, where the concentration of several meters pulsing throughout the day and night will be multiplied by the number of units being monitored. Since we have 27 units here, I hate to think of my kids playing outside and sleeping near these things emitting radiation day and night. I'm terrified that this is going to harm my young children. Part of what has always been great about West Sonoma County and Sebastopol is the respect for nature and individuals. The fact that we won't be able to walk through the town without thinking we are being "zapped" by Cell signals that we have no control over sounds horrible! This isn't the town my great grandparents helped to establish, where my grandmother and her siblings were raised, where I have spent years of my life and am now trying to safely raise my children.

Please do **not** rush into this scheme. I don't know who it's benefitting, but it's not us, and it's not the panacea you're being sold for our town. And I've heard that those meter units require single use batteries as well? So much for "Zero Waste Sebastopol."

Respectfully yours,

Sarah Douglas Morrison

Sent from my iPhone