From: Rachel Bartz
To: Mary Gourley

Subject: Reject the RV Village at 845 Gravenstein Hwy North

Date: Tuesday, December 07, 2021 10:11:20 PM

Dear Ms Gourley,

Would you please forward my letter to our City Council Members?

December 7, 2021

Dear City Council Members,

I'm a home-owner who live off Mill Station Road, a scarce .8 miles from the RV Village project which is being considered.

Please do not let a grant deadline and a rush for government money trample proper zoning procedures and thoughtful suburban planning.

We have two school-age children who regularly bike along the Joe Rodota Trail and the 116, and I feel the homeless RV Village has the potential to create unacceptable drug, crime, and nuisance problems for us residents of North Sebastopol, and the nearby Charter School.

North Sebastopol residents have a reasonable expectation to live in a safe and sober neighborhood. I was shocked to learn that resident drug use is tolerated by the group that would run the Village. We regularly visit San Francisco, and the leniency and toleration of drug use has amplified urban decay in the Market Street area. It is disappointing to me that our City Council would invite similar problems into our neighborhood- and in such a hurried, disrespectful way.

It is common knowledge that a large percentage of the homeless population have mental health and addiction problems. A paved parking lot will not solve the underlying problems of their homelessness (especially when it's next to a liquor store). Instead, true rehabilitation facilities with professionals are needed to help these folks overcome their problems.

Please re-focus your energies into <u>listening to the concerns of the residents that you serve</u>, and do not pursue an RV Village in our neighborhood.

Rachel Allen