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Subject: Stop Plan to Install wireless "smart" Water Meters

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To The City Council and City Staff,

I am writing again to request that you NOT proceed with the plan to install new Wireless/Wifi/"smart" water meters within the City of Sebastopol.

There is a great deal of bewilderment and confusion, if not actual ignorance, about these devices, about what they actually do and about what kinds of frequencies of Electromagnetic Radiation they emit. Without a deep widespread understanding of what these devices do, it is impossible for Citizens, Council, and Staff to know the harm caused to living organisms. The meters should therefore not be commissioned. Actions taken to proceed with the meters were hasty, and should be paused for a deeper review. Given the moratorium on "smart" meters, a pause is within the guidelines for Sebastopol.

I'd like to suggest a transparent process of education and investigation about this matter.

I believe you are trying hard to push through equipment that will be very hard to decommission once it's installed, after more information and potential harms are in evidence. Why? Why? What is the urgency? What is behind all of this? This process seems so misguided.

Please allow for the opportunity to invite actual Building Biology Experts and Engineers with NO partisan affiliation or loyalty to Syserco or inside connection with the City Water Department to speak to these issues and answer the public's and THE COUNCIL's questions before proceeding. Can you call this process **ethical** when you had already signed a contract to proceed to purchase the Wifi/"smart" water meters? This, before the public and all 5

Council members had their questions and concerns satisfactorily addressed?

What was odd, and sad, was hearing three Councilmembers argue in favor of voting to fund these meters and go forward with the contract (that had been made out of the public's eye) because of not wanting to break their agreement with an outside, non-local, private company.

We rely on you to keep your contract with the people of Sebastopol who deserve to have a proper say in this matter. As has been noted by many Constituents in letters and phone calls to you throughout these hearings during the past several months, proceeding with these meters violates Sebastopol General Plan.

Please do not break faith with your sworn duty by betraying the people of Sebastopol, out of concern with changing a purchasing decision. City Manager Larry McGlaughlin had said the contract could be broken without harm, in the meeting on December 21, 2021.

Sebastopol does not want or need these meters.

Sincerely,

Martha Glaser

https://ehtrust.org/wireless-radiation-what-environmental-health-leaders-should-know/

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