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Subject: public comment for 2/15/2022, Agenda Item 10, Parking Ordinance

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Attention: Mary Gourley, Sebastopol City Clerk

To: Council Members of the City of Sebastopol Re: Agenda Item #10: Parking Ordinance--02/15/2022

Dear Sebastopol Council Members,

An initial thanks to all of you for the time and support you gave for the creation of the now-in-place RV Village (Horizon Shine) in Sebastopol. It came about through dedicated collaboration. It was heartening to watch you work toward realization of the village with all the others involved. It is vitally needed at this time of so many people without the resources and safety they need.

The parking ordinance under consideration tonight is also related to the needs that brought forth the new village. The no parking ordinance calls for no RV parking between 7:30am and 10pm (with minor exceptions) and applies to residents, visitors, and the unhoused Sebastopol community. Do look at who will be hurt most by this. Where should those who live in their RVs go? Where ever they go they are not welcome, not provided with basic needs, and not safe.

What to do that doesn't just shuffle people around needs to be seriously undertaken. Deep re-imagining of solutions requiring collaboration, transparency, inclusion of those experiencing homelessness, changing priorities, looking at who is in control of what housing gets built. Call on county supervisors. There needs to be a step in the right direction towards showing that every one is deserving. Not a step that further discounts those with the least. It is just a question of money but who controls it and who decides. Not easy but possible. Question, look, imagine.

Sincerely,

Barbara Renzullo