

14 June 2024

**Agenda Item 9: Sebastopol Municipal Utilities District**

Dear Council and City Manager,

Now that substantial rate increases for water and sewer seem a foregone conclusion, I'm writing to suggest that a new approach to management of our utilities be considered.

Creation of a municipal utilities district for the city of Sebastopol would assure that future revenue and expenditures would be dedicated to purpose, and would no longer be subject to the whims of a city council that has proven itself incapable of fulfilling its obligation to manage utilities responsibly.

I would support a parcel tax dedicated to the establishment of an independent utilities district and am optimistic that other ratepayers would as well.

Thanks and regards,

George Noel

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