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**To:** [City Council](#)  
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Dear Sebastopol City Council,

I'm the co-owner of Sebastopol Bike Center, and have lived in Sebastopol for over 30 years. I recently heard you were cancelling Recology's contract and are going with another company. I understand the rates will increase for customers with the new company. I also understand they don't have a recycling facility in the county, so are transporting waste far away: making the carbon footprint and risk of transportation issues that much greater on an already environmentally challenging business.

I feel Recology's rates are fine and their service is great. They're the company which services my home, our local business, and whom I have worked with at the Bodega Seafood, Art & Wine Festival (I was the producer for 27 years, until we closed last year), and Sebastopol Apple Blossom Festival. They are efficient and environmentally aware.

Please reconsider this decision! I know the city is financially challenged, but this is not an answer.

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