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Recology is a billion dollar company that is accustomed to being a monopoly and not being forced to negotiate or bid for a contract. The US Attorney's office charged Recology and senior staff with bribery and fraud in San Francisco. The company paid a \$36 million fine in 2021 and two executives were criminally charged. Recology has a perpetual no-bid contract in San Francisco.

Recology claims they were losing money on the Sebastopol contract they acquired from the prior vendor. Recology had the opportunity to negotiate last spring but believed Sebastopol should make up for their mistake and pay extra in the new contract. Who but a monopoly would propose such a ludicrous idea?

And now Recology has launched a PR campaign to malign the potential new vendor and the City staff and Council members who worked on the bidding process. I think any reasonable person would be extremely suspicious of Recology's campaign. I support the diligent work of City Council members Maurer and McLewis and city staff.

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