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To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Waste Hauling Contract -- Please Retain Recology
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Dear Mayor Zollman, Vice Mayor McLewis, and Councilmembers Carter, Hinton, and Maurer,

I am writing to urge you to reconsider making changes to the current waste hauling contract with Recology. The proposed changes would result in increased costs for most residents, negative environmental impacts of using SCRR, and disrupt the positive track record of community involvement and support by Recology.

As a resident of Sebastopol, I understand the importance of responsible waste management and the role that Recology has played in supporting our community. Over the years, Recology has not only provided reliable waste hauling services but has also actively engaged with the community through educational programs, recycling initiatives, and portable restroom use at community events.

The proposed changes to the waste hauling contract would not only increase costs for majority of residents, (those with garbage collection cart size, 32-gallons would pay an additional \$4 per month), but also have negative environmental impacts. SCRR does not have the same recycling capabilities as Recology's brand new \$35,000,000 recycling / sorting facility. Additionally, SCRR does not have a recycling facility in Sonoma County and hauling everything into another county can't be good for our environment.

I strongly believe that maintaining the current waste hauling contract with Recology is in the best interest of our community. I urge you to consider the long-term effects of making changes to the contract and to prioritize the well-being of residents and the environment in your decision-making process.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I trust that you will carefully consider the implications of any changes to the waste hauling contract and make a decision that is in the best interest of our community.

Sincerely,

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