

Sebastopol City Council Meeting – July 19, 2012 – Synopsis and Commentary

All City Council members were present for a nearly six hour (Special) meeting. Evidently Council Member Shaffer's opening remarks that strongly supported the City staff, and especially Planning Director Kenyon Webster, fell on deaf ears as the usual mean spirited speakers launched yet another personal attack upon him. We were also informed that Chase bank collaborated with the Nazi's during the Second World War.

All of this, and much more, came after an early anti-CVS speaker called for harmony between the those who disagreed. However, when her three minutes expired and she wasn't allowed to continue speaking she failed to follow her own advise and became abusive, and loudly too.

So this closes public comment on the CVS issue and the City Council will discuss and hopefully decide the matter on August 7th.

In other news, the same City staff that is so vilified by the CVS opponents, produced a resolution in three days that asked PGE to delay installing Smart Meters until The California Public Utilities Commission rules on installation and billing issues for the "Opt Out" customers. The Council approved the resolution 5 to 0. It was close to midnight and less than ten members of the public were in attendance when that happened.

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