



Sebastopol Citizens

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Sebastopol City Council Meeting April 4, 2016 – Synopsis and Commentary

A previous commitment will keep me from attending this meeting. What follows is gleaned from the agenda and the meeting packet. [You can find all of that at the City website](#) and avoid what follows completely. For you reckless souls, read on.

Proclamations/Presentations:

- Rebecca Mansour was recognized for 10 years of service in the Planning Department as was Patrick Innes for 30 years in the Fire Department. The fire department is in great need of more volunteer fire fighters. My diagnosis of TOTS Syndrome (Too Old Too Slow) prevents me from volunteering but [if you're interested click here](#).

Public Comment (aka Open Mike):

- Failing to appear was a spokes person who would have denied that any member of the City Council has had any [contact with these Russians](#), or is hatching some grand plan with officials [from other environs*](#). – although sometimes one does wonder.

Consent Calendar: Up for approval by the Council were:

- Consideration of awarding the signal maintenance contract to [D.C. Electrical Group](#).
- Adopting an ordinance for rezoning the [Village Park/Tomodachi Park](#) property.
- Approval of [Badawi & Associates](#) for auditing services. (another State requirement.)
- Authorizing the mayor to sign letters of support for [SB 2\(Atkins\)](#) and [SB3\(Beall\)](#) that address affordable housing – an oxymoron in Sonoma County.

Informational Items/ Presentation:

- A presentation by Sonoma County Department of Health Services was scheduled regarding medicine disposal. The department was here last year and a good plan for safe disposal is needed now more than ever. It's having a measurable impact on the environment. You can do your part by disposing of your unused “**medical**” **marijuana** by [one of these devices](#). **Medical Martinis** require no special disposal methods [but are not without other social complications](#).

Public Hearings:

- The new General Plan was adopted November 15, 2016. This was a public hearing to introduce the ordinance.

Regular Agenda Items:

- The Planning Director gave the Annual Level of Service Report that includes the status of City services. There are some interesting items in it. [Click here for more information](#).

A Parting Shot:

- **Mayor Glass** has also signed a letter addressed to PG&E **opposing smart meter installation**. In that letter she cites the **concerns of “many citizens”** but failed to actually assign an integer to the variable. My guess would be about 1,300,000, the same number that showed up for our president’s inauguration. Not satisfied with that **huge, big, beautiful** argument, she continues with veiled threats of “public disturbances,” “involvement from our police department” and some free PR advice – which is within two cents what it is worth. ***Will she go to Plan 9 next?** The letter is attached to your email.

Next City Council meeting is April 18, 2017 at the Teen Center, 425 Morris Street at 6:00 pm.

You can view this meeting and others at: <https://livestream.com/accounts/14608643>.

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