

13-1513 Motion to adopt a plan to increase the number of cats that may be legally owned from 3 to 5

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Dear Mr. Lid.

I submit these comments and questions on behalf of The Urban Wildlands Group, Inc. in connection with Motion 13-1513 on today's agenda for the Personnel and Animal Welfare Committee of the City of Los Angeles. Please provide a copy of these comments to Councilmember Koretz and O'Farrell and other committee members.

This motion, if adopted by the full City Council, would direct the Department of Animal Services to draft a plan to increase the number of legally owned cats per house hold from 3 to 5. We are puzzled about the timing of this motion, as the Board of Animal Services is currently undertaking environmental review of a City-wide cat program, which includes a similar proposal to increase the number of cats that can legally be owned in the City. In light of this ongoing environmental review, we have a series of questions:

- 1. Has the City already decided to increase the number of legally owned cats from 3 to 5? If not, when will that decision be made and what body has the authority to make that decision?
- 2. What is the relationship between Motion 13-1513 and the City-wide Cat Program currently being reviewed by the Department of Public Works? Are these parallel processes, or is the current effort to increase the cat limits part of the Cat Program?
- 3. Will the City undertake any environmental review under CEQA before finally deciding to increase the number of cats that can be legally owned from 3 to 5?

Please add my name to the list of individuals who receive written and electronic notice of any hearings, availability of documents or any potential actions relative to this issue.

regards

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