
REGARDING CITY COUNCIL FILE #17-0453

1 message

From: 'June Vargas' via Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>
To: Los Angeles City Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>
At: Sun, Aug 26, 2018 at 10:37 AM

Aug 26, 2018

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Why? Compassion! No animal should be in a zoo.

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1 message

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At: Sun, Aug 26, 2018 at 3:36 AM

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