

## Communication from Public

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**Date Submitted:** 01/24/2022 09:11 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** DO NOT ban Rodeo!

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Keep rodeo and livestock events in La

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 01/24/2022 10:26 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Our local hometown rodeo the California Rodeo Salinas has been around for over 110 years. I've been involved in rodeo since a was a little kid but not in the way you would expect. Our rodeo has a parade the weekend before the rodeo called the kiddie capers parade where kids can walk or enter in the parade and feel a part of the community. They each get a ribbon with a dollar and many vouchers to local restaurants and stores. Our rodeo brings people of all ages, ethnicities and experiences together to enjoy a family friendly event and raise money for hundreds of non profits (over half a million dollars annually!). Later in my life I competed, won and represented my hometown as miss California Rodeo Salinas in 2014. I loved being the leading lady of rodeo for many reasons but one was to be an example for hundreds of young women and girls. Empowering and encouraging girls is so important and rodeo does just that. I am also extremely passionate about agriculture and our roots in rodeo stem back to techniques still done on cattle ranches today. This ban on rodeo and some of our equipment was initiated by animal rights extremists who have no direct contact with our lifestyle. We have more then 70 rules already in place for the humane treatment of animals on top of always have a veterinarian on staff at every rodeo event and doing pre rodeo health checks/screenings. Did you know the average performance of a bull in a year is only 10 minutes? The remainder of their time is spent enjoying open pastures and fresh air. I would highly encourage you to reach out to a rodeo- like the California Rodeo Salinas or the equestrian Olympics team or a local Charros group to ask about how we treat our animals. Our livestock are like our family and honestly are treated better then most homeless people in LA. No one involved in Rodeo or the western industry was consulted by the Los Angeles City Council before they pushed the drafting of the ordinance forward. At least take the opportunity to educate yourselves about the equipment and usage before passing an ordinance. There are a number of businesses that count on the Professional Bull Riding and rodeo related activities at venues like the Staples Center that draw capacity crowds for their business. Those restaurants and businesses that gain income from the economic impact of these events will see their bottom line negatively impacted. With the economy already struggling and inflation at an all time high since 1981- I

encourage you to take a second look at how this ban will impact your local economic stimulation and support. More importantly, for me, rodeos raise awareness for engaging in youth to keep them off the streets, raise money for hundreds of non profits like Veterans associations, YMCA, breast cancer research (Susanne G Colleman foundation), domestic violence (Man Up Crusade) and hundreds more. Please reconsider removing this city ordinance.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Linda Farmer

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I can't believe this is happening. Rodeo is a way of life not just entertaining the crowds. There is lots of rules out there to protect the animals. Isn't there a lot more animals that need your services like Dogs and Cats that are being abused and left for dead. There are so many shelters that could use your help. Try helping all the homeless animals on the the streets there in LA. This is beyond over the top. Y'all need to get a grip and spend that money where it's need. ??

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Libby Hurley

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please, do not ban the wonderful sport of Rodeo. It is so much more than just a sport. I lived in Los Angeles for several years and worked in the music business. I was in a band with guys from The Doobie Brothers, Steely Dan, Guns and Roses, The Stray Cats and Glen Frey's band.. They were all HUGE rodeo fans! There are a lot of rodeo fans out there in LA they just won't say anything unless specifically asked about it. Our animals are our family and we take care of them and meet their needs before we meet our own.. Thank you for your time! Libby Hurley

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Stop harming the bulls for entertainment!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Eric Mills, coordinator, ACTION FOR ANIMALS

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I write in strong support of the proposed Los Angeles rodeo ordinance. Most of rodeo is bogus from the git-go, having little to do with life on a working ranch--it's mostly macho hype. REAL working ranch hand never routine rode bulls, or wrestled steers, or rode bareback, or barrel raced, or practiced calf roping as a timed event (terrified BABIES). And they certainly did not put flank straps on the animals, or work them over in the holding chutes with painful "hotshots," kicks, slaps and tail twisting. Some "sport"! Indeed, rodeo is not a "sport" at all. It's a macho exercise in DOMINATION, and it needs to stop. The United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales) outlawed all of rodeo back in 1934; the Netherlands and Germany have since followed suit. Can the U.S. be far behind? Follow the money.



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Brianna Bogle  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** You can take the kids out the rodeo, but you'll never take the rodeo out of the kids??