

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Nancy Daly

**Date Submitted:** 02/19/2022 04:09 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1575

**Comments for Public Posting:** I hate that your county is trying to ban rodeo. I have read ignorant comments from people who have no idea of what the oldest sport in America is about and the financial impact it has on sponsoring cities and the scholarship money given to kids that will be future farmers and ranchers. Supporting industries are multi-million-dollar businesses that would be damaged. Facts that need to be corrected: Cattle prods are not used in pro rodeos - spurs in bronc riding are dull and smooth and do not hurt the animals (you never see scared necks or flanks) - bulls and horses are not given drugs to make them buck (they are bred by from generations of bucking stock and are very valuable animals) - cattle and calves very tough and are not easily injured (their ultimate fate is to be slaughtered along with millions of other livestock that end up on your plates} - you never see blood or scar marks on bulls (their hides are tough} - that's why cattle hides are used for shoes, boots, purses, etc. Cowboys are not macho showoffs but the humblest of pro sportsmen (macho belongs to football, basketball and hockey players). People rodeo because they love it and it's part of this country's western heritage. Many come from working ranches or from rodeo families. They start in Little Bitches, continue through high school and college (there are rodeo scholarships given from several hundred colleges}. Others love the sport as kids and will find a way to get started if that's their dream. Most pro rodeo athletes make their livings from competing and not being able to do so would be devastating. The ignorant animal activists are so absorbed with rodeo, but there are many other sad situations they should be concentrating on. Rodeo animals are very valuable and well taken care of. Many bulls and horses in the rough stock events are worth up to \$100,000 or more. and roping, steer wrestling, and barrel horses can cost up to \$200,000 or more. Rodeo is alive and well and your county is not looking at the real facts but giving in to a bunch of crazy radicals. When you consider the many other events involving horses and shows, you are cutting your own throats and losing a lot of revenue these events generate. Very sad and not well thought out. I suggest you reconsider your banning of rodeo - despicable decision.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Kevin L Hoyt

**Date Submitted:** 02/20/2022 06:03 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I have worked in the rodeo profession for a number of years and raise bucking bulls. Over the years I consistently hear the ignorant talk about how abusive owners are to rodeo livestock and nothing could be further from the truth. The livestock we own are athletes and in many cases are worth a considerable amount of money for the way they buck. You cannot make a 1500 lb. animal do anything. They must be trained and encouraged, not beaten. If they are in pain, like any other athlete, they will NOT perform. If they are not fed properly or taken care of as far as worming, annual shots, etc. they will NOT perform. Most of these animals live better than some human beings. Granted, they are not pets but they get treated very well. There may be some that don't, but the associations that contract animals to be at professional events generally weed those people out themselves. Don't snub the sport of rodeo based on the ignorance of a small group of people that have never bothered to educate themselves on the facts of the matter, but are more than willing to "cancel" an entire industry with a deep and honorable history.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Loretta Roland  
**Date Submitted:** 02/20/2022 06:46 AM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please do not ban rodeo in LA. It is an American tradition that should never go away. Rodeo riders, stock suppliers, and promoters respect and take great care in the health and safety of their animals. Most live, eat and sleep with their stock and know without them their lifestyle would end. The hard work and time they put into their industry makes it impossible not to give their stock the love and care they need not only because it is their livelihood but because you fall in love with the animals in your care. Go talk to riders and people in the industry and you will see the devotion they have for their stock and their industry. The industry is already overseen by animal safety measures and the care of the animals are closely monitored by agencies for the protection of the stock. Please do not take another piece of history away from Americans that has entertained the public and supplied a livelihood for so many for so many years. As a person raised in the rodeo life for over 60 years and having passed it down to two more generations I want to see it around for their next generations. It is wholesome family entertainment. It is a way of life for so many. It is the sole livelihood for generations. It is not just rodeo cowboys and cowgirls. It is an industry that involves so many from entertainment venues, food suppliers, veterinarians, stock contractors, hauling companies, agricultural industry leaders, cattle breeders and ranchers, horse breeders, farmers and so many more that this is their life, their livelihood, their passion and their love. Thank you for your time. PLEASE will you reconsider banning this sport in Los Angeles.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Suzanne E Strand

**Date Submitted:** 02/20/2022 09:33 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** This is an sad commentary on the sport of Rodeo. These animals are given the best of care. They are not abused or treated inhumanely. You are trying to kill a sport which brings enjoyment and revenue . Bulls are not put into these arenas until they are mature enough to be ridden and retired before they get too old. Less than a minute a day. As for bucking horses, they are bred from sturdy stock that can take the rigors of bucking. This is not your average saddle horse. It is not uncommon to see these animals work into their 20s which would not be possible without excellent care.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Dave Paul

**Date Submitted:** 02/20/2022 10:15 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** My family and I OPPOSE the ban on a rodeo. I have grown up on a farm/ranch, rodeoed all my life and raised two boys in the sport. What I can tell you is rodeo 4 legged athletes are taken care of better than a lot of humans in the LA area. They are prized animals that live a great life. I know, I own some. I encourage you, before you vote, to go to local rodeo stock contractor, sit down with them to visit... take a tour of their facility, see first hand how the animals are cared for then go to a rodeo with them and watch, from start to finish. You will be amazed. These are awesome animals that love their jobs and they are owned by folks who love their country, love God and love the western lifestyle. Don't take that away from LA... worry more about the homeless and mental health issues you are surrounded with. If we all spent more time caring about those people and those conditions, the world would be a better place. Thanks for your time. Dave Paul

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Dave E

**Date Submitted:** 02/20/2022 11:39 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Stop the ban on Western Sports. You have no right to ban a part of our American and Hispanic history. We will be coming for your jobs every election if you keep attacking our heritage and our traditions.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Mike Bullert

**Date Submitted:** 02/20/2022 05:33 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am against the recent action to ban rodeo in Los Angeles. Rodeo is at the heart of the founding of the Western United States. Rodeo represents a way of life that is rare in California, but is a the base for all of the agriculture that provides the food for our citizens. My son has the opportunity to compete in the California High School Rodeo Association. As a Sophomore in High School, he has learned responsibility, competition, respect for animals, and the commitment to succeed. These are virtues that are rare in this world and should be embraced and cultivated. Rodeo is the core of our existence and the core of great state. Please reconsider the action to ban rodeo in LA. Rodeo is great for America, great for California and Great for the our youth!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Cathy Goldwine  
**Date Submitted:** 02/20/2022 05:38 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** Do not shut down sports like bull riding in the rodeos

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Cathy Goldwine  
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## Communication from Public

**Name:** Charlene Himes  
**Date Submitted:** 02/20/2022 07:21 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** I oppose the ban on PBR BULRIDING in Louisiana! These bulls are better taken care of than most children! Thank you

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**Name:** Philip Anderson  
**Date Submitted:** 02/20/2022 08:02 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** To really understand that the PBR is giving out good clean family entertainment you will have to go behind the chutes to see and experience what great care that these folks give to their animals. Don't for one second assume that these bulls are mistreated in any way. You will see that they are fed well and are under the direct supervision of veterinarians who are familiar with this sport and the physical aspect of these bulls when on display. In addition this is a great entertainment which involves a way of life for the bull riders and their families, and the people who really enjoy watching the skill of both the rider and the bull. I don't believe that a entity within city government should sensor an accepted sport from across the country just because of pressure from the animal care activist groups that do not have the time or desire to get the real story about the treatment of the animals being used in this sport.