

Communication from Public

Name: Amanda (Mandy) Linqvist

Date Submitted: 01/06/2022 09:12 AM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: I oppose the ban of rodeo in LA. There are already laws in place regarding rodeo equipment and usage in California. The Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association also has over 70 rules pertaining to the safety of the livestock and contestants. These laws and rules already address spurs, flank straps and electric prod usage. Penal code 596.7 already restricts the use of electric prods, flank straps are fleece lined or soft rope, and sharp spurs are prohibited and locked spurs are prohibited in saddle bronc and bareback events. We take great pride in our rodeo livestock. Our animals are often worth thousands of dollars and are bred for their job as a rodeo athlete. Items such as flank straps are not used to hurt an animal but for the safety of the animal and the rider. Flank straps are lined with fleece and never placed too tightly as the animal will not buck if that is the case. Spurs are not sharp as often indicated and electric prods can only be used in case of an emergency when the chute gate is open and the life of the animal and/or rider is threatened. 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.

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Name: Robyn Benensohn

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Comments for Public Posting: Please vote in favor of the L.A. rodeo device ban. There is no excuse for animal abuse in the name of entertainment. Rodeos that use painful devices are barbaric and have no place in our society in 2022.

Charles McGibbon

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Dear Sirs:

I have read and heard reports how the City Council of the City of Los Angeles is considering an ordinance that would make rodeos illegal. I think this is a foolhardy move and I oppose this proposed ordinance. Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles McGibbon". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized script.

Charles McGibbon