

Communication from Public

Name: Carol Lutter

Date Submitted: 12/16/2024 07:08 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: It is plain to see that rodeos use, exploit, and harm animals. There's absolutely no reason for these violent activities to continue or for anyone to make money from them. Los Angeles is well known and respected for setting precedents against harmful activities. Please extend compassion and moral consideration to the suffering of animals subjected to cruelty in rodeos. The rest of the country and the world are watching, and if you take this step of leadership in banning rodeos, others will follow, and uncountable animals will be saved from these violent activities. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Christina King

Date Submitted: 12/19/2024 09:27 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeos teach children to rope and wrestle animals for fun. And then we wonder why humans grow up and do terrible things to other humans. Please ban rodeo in Los Angeles.

Communication from Public

Name: Samuel Cowley
Date Submitted: 12/19/2024 10:40 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: Don't listen to the rodeo organizations, listen to the unbiased professionals. Veterinarians study animal behavior and know what's wrong. An entire veterinary coalition stated, 'In contrast to this, rodeos normalise cruelty, supported by the legality and promotion of these events.' Veterinarians believe rodeos are cruel, and thus the council should ban them in Los Angeles.

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Name: Matthew King

Date Submitted: 12/19/2024 10:44 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: The RSPCA states, 'All rodeo events will cause stress, fear and pain as well as injure animals for the sake of sport and entertainment.' A major animal welfare organization recognizes this, and so should the LA City Council. Please ban rodeo in Los Angeles.

Communication from Public

Name: Sam Cowley

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Comments for Public Posting: Major rodeo organizations are represented by the Western Sports Industry Coalition. They are grossly downplaying and minimizing the fear and harm done to animals in order to profit from their continued exploitation in rodeo. Don't listen to them. The activists are the ones trying to help the animals and have nothing to gain from it, unlike the rodeo organizations who put profit before ethics. Please Ban Rodeo in LA!

Communication from Public

Name: MK

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo supporters usually cite the preservation of the sport based on 'tradition.' That argument is logically problematic because it is an 'appeal to tradition fallacy.' Just because something is a tradition does not make it ethical or moral. For instance, cockfighting is considered a tradition in many cultures yet it is illegal in the United States because of the cruelty involved. Rodeo similarly is a tradition, but is cruel and should be illegal. Let's make it happen in Los Angeles!

Communication from Public

Name: Christian Animal Rights Association

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello, Los Angeles City Council members, Our ministry intends to speak for the Christians in Los Angeles. The veterinarian and former bareback rodeo bronc rider Peggy Larson, DVM, stated, “Based upon my extensive large animal experience, I have concluded that rodeo events are inherently cruel.” (1) That’s an expert’s testimony. Additionally, an entire veterinary coalition stated this, ‘In contrast to this, rodeos normalise cruelty, supported by the legality and promotion of these events.’ (2) From a Christian perspective, the Bible condemns animal cruelty in Proverbs 12:10, stating, “Good people take care of their animals, but wicked people are cruel to theirs.” Furthermore, the Bible condemns hurting animals for entertainment like rodeo. For instance, Genesis 49:6 states, ‘May I never join in their meetings; may I never be a party to their plans. For in their anger they murdered men, and they crippled oxen just for sport.’ Please move forward with the Los Angeles rodeo ban. We believe this would be God-pleasing and satisfy the Christians in Los Angeles, as well as be the best thing to do for the victims. 1. https://www.hsvma.org/rodeos_inherent_cruelty_to_animals 2. <https://www.sentient.org.au/rodeos>