

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** To Councilmember Bob Blumenfield, As a resident of Woodland Hills and a constituent of District 3, I am writing to you today to formally advocate for the creation of a specialized emergency subdivision dedicated to animal welfare and rescue. Currently, our city's emergency infrastructure lacks a streamlined, rapid-response protocol for animals in life-threatening situations. This gap not only affects the animals but also places an undue burden on our first responders and concerned citizens. I urge the Council to consider a systemic change that prioritizes: A dedicated animal emergency dispatch line. Specialized training for emergency personnel regarding animal rescue. Increased funding for local animal service programs, specifically looking at the needs of the West Valley Animal Shelter. Thank you for your time and for your consistent commitment to animal welfare in our district.