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Council File #17-0453

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Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

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Antonia Diaz <webmaster@lazoo.org> Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 1:00 PM
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Morgan Marzec <webmaster@lazoo.org> Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 1:00 PM
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In addition to all of the above, my awareness of the needs of the elephant population has raised dramatically through my interactions with Billy and the zoo. Please DO NOT take this away from me, and others who love Billy, and elephants. You would be doing a giant disservice to the entire species.
Sincerely,

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Dear Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee Member,

I watched Billy unhappy in his previous habitat. I could see him pacing and it honestly wasn't great. HOWEVER, as a pass holder I see him often now and you can see him thriving. You don't need an education in animal behavior to see the positive changes in his eyes and body language. Don't take it from me, visit him. Do not cause unnecessary pain to this sweet creature. Please.

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Susan Goldman-Shaw <webmaster@lazoo.org> Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 6:23 PM
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Leave the zoo and Billy alone! They take good care of the animals. Stay out of the zoos business and worry about the bigger problems in your city.

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Bruce Kennedy <webmaster@lazoo.org> Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 8:03 PM
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Sincerely,
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Susan LeTourneur <webmaster@lazoo.org> Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 5:16 PM
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To whom it may concern,

understand that there is some sort of wackiness interested in moving Billy the Elephant to an unknown and unnamed sanctuary. This is really stupid. Billy is getting amazing care at the LA Zoo. He is a bull elephant and they don't live with other elephants in the wild. They live alone. Billy's supposed behavior predates his coming to the LA Zoo, as any normal zoo attendee would know. These "Free Billy" people are wackos and should be more interested in learning about elephants than trying to foist their uniformed opinions on the wise and caring staff and the well cared for animals at the LA Zoo.

Thank you,

Sam, Zoe and Griffin Alexander

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Richard Linsalato <webmaster@lazoo.org> Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 3:23 PM
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susy rubinstein <webmaster@lazoo.org> Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 3:28 PM
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Charlene V incent <webmaster@lazoo.org> Sun, Jan 21, 2018 at 3:35 PM
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It's appalling that you're asking the zoo visitors and LA Residence to take a stand on your behalf to keep the elephant at the zoo!!! The decision of retiring this elephant to a sanctuary should be supported by everyone. Including you. It is greedy and selfish of you- the LA zoo to claim "best conditioned &care" for this elephant. Shame on you.
I as a visitor of the LA zoo I will discontinue my membership with you and request that you adopt the recommendation of relocating the elephant to the sanctuary for its own good and wellbeing.
Thank you.

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The zoo offers an outstanding opportunity for the public, especially young people, to expand their appreciation of wild animals. Respect for the animals is fostered by allowing them to be in a specialized habitat designed for their long term care, health and safety . Such a habitat is outstanding for the zoo's elephant, Billy, and both he and the public benefit from his continued presence at the zoo. I hope it will continue for years to come.

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The Elephants of Asia habitat at the Los Angeles Zoo is nothing like his natural home. i would also support a moratorium on any elephants or animals of this size in the zoo from this point forward.

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It seems quite silly to us that there is controversy over the care of Billy, when any zoogoer can see that the elephants have a great space and look well cared for. It also seems silly to remove Billy in the name of conservation because it means that thousands of children, like ours, won't get to see him at the zoo and build a sense of appreciation for these

animals that then fosters an interest in conservation.

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Sent by the Los Angeles Zoo on behalf of:

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To the Los Angeles City Council Arts, Parks, and River Committee,

Please consider the fact that Billy the elephant is getting the best care that is possible right now at the L.A. Zoo and would not be getting any better care elsewhere. I support the L.A. Zoo and their professional veterinarians who are caring for Billy and want him to remain where he is. Please don't fold under the pressure of a small group of activists who are protesting out of emotion rather than facts!

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BILLY

cmammoth Jan 21, 2018 12:11 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Pls leave Billy the elephant at our
LA
ZOO. Where he is loved and cared for.

COLE FAMILY

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Fw: LEAVE BILLY THE ELEPHANT AT THE LA ZOO WHERE HE BELONGS! Council File #17-0453.

JACOB WIESEL Jan 21, 2018 12:21 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

On Sunday, January 21, 2018 12:20 PM, JACOB WIESEL <jacob926@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Please do not remove Billy from his home.
He is loved and well taken care of...
There are more relevant and critical issues that
animal activist could tackle.
Billy is fine where he is.
Jacob Wiesel
A Taxpayer and zoo/wildlife supporter!

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Billy the Elephant - Council File #17-0453.

Al Stavola Jan 21, 2018 12:28 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Hello,

I'm writing to you regarding Billy the elephant, who lives at the LA Zoo.

It has come to my attention that animal activists want him removed from the zoo. This is ridiculous.

As a frequent zoo visitor, I have watched the zookeepers care for Billy and I've seen how happy and comfortable he is in his large, well-designed enclosure. I've visited zoos and safari parks all around the country and Billy lives in some of the very beat conditions.

Please do not remove Billy from the LA Zoo. He is happy there and provides an educational opportunity for kids who might otherwise never see a live elephant.

Thank you,

-Al Stavola-

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Billy The Elephant: Must Stay

Ron Young Jan 21, 2018 12:34 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Billy the elephant is a wonderful creature that our entire family enjoys. As memebers of the zoo and regular attendees of zoo camp, we fully support him staying at the zoo. It would be a true shame for him to go.

Sincerely,

Leo, Harper, Sage, Scott & Sari

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Billy needs to stay put

Seth Margolies Jan 21, 2018 12:36 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

LA Zoo has been nothing but loving and supportive of their animals. How dare you presume to know better than the experts!
Stick to what you know high taxes and mismanagement of our tax dollars and let the zoo deal with the animals. Let's keep Billy safe where he is and move you to the sanctuary.

Eric Garcetti 2020 for President.

Glory of love will see you through- Lou Reed

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Billy. The elephant

dzol...@sbcglobal.net Jan 21, 2018 12:38 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

I believe that Billy must stay at the LA Zoo.this is his best home at present.
David Zollman.
Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE device

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file#17-0453 billy

Sandra Landis Jan 21, 2018 12:38 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

re:file #17-0453....please leave billy the elephant at the zoo so my grand children can enjoy him in his new and very large area....thnx tim landis caltrans

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Billy The Elephant - Council File #17-0453

Julie Traina Jan 21, 2018 12:40 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Hello,

I'm writing to ask you to keep Billy the the elephant in his home at the LA Zoo. He has excellent care and is doing well where he lives.
Please do not move him.

Thank you!
Julie Traina

Sent from my iPhone.

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Council File #17-0453 - Billy/Elephant - Los Angeles Zoo - Meeting January 24, 2018

simonm...@sbcglobal.net Jan 21, 2018 12:52 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

My name is Linda Simon. I have been a volunteer at the Los Angeles Zoo for close to ten years. As a volunteer my duties were office work rather than physical activity as I do have issues with walking great distances and with balancing. Because of my variety of duties I have been privileged to a variety of facts, information and other issues not normally disclosed to the general public. The Los Angeles Zoo has so many great people in charge that care for our animals beyond what the average homeowner does for its dogs or cats.

Billy has been a resident of the zoo (basically his entire life), is in great health, receives enrichment on a daily basis, is well fed, enjoys greeting the public, and overall is a physical specimen of elephant to leave us all in awe. His personality is amazing, you can look into his eyes and see that he really appreciates everything the Zoo Keepers do for him, etc.

To take him away from his home and place him in a sanctuary sounds good as he would have other friends to be with (more than here at the zoo), however, the daily care, the one-on-one feeding/bathing/playing, etc., the daily communication with humans, the 'love' that is shared between human and beast is undeniable. To remove him from the zoo would not be in his best interests.

If you were to research any of the records at the Los Angeles Zoo, you would discover that most animals live more than a normal length of time, most all animals are healthy, there is a continuation of the species through the variety of programs utilized at the zoo, and as mentioned above, our Zoo Keepers would live with their animals if permitted.

I do anticipate everything will be taken into making a decision in Billy's best interests - at the zoo he has his food, he has his daily exercises, his feet are always taken care of, the barn has the soft heated floor for the feet/legs of our elephants, there is exchange of elephant language between the girls and Billy - the area designated for Billy and the girls is a wonderful place -

Please make the effort to leave Billy where he is - do not remove him from the home he has known for 30 years .. all of the volunteers and docents as well as employees from the zoo pray you make the right determination after all facts have been thoroughly digested.

Linda Simon

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Los Angeles Zoo elephant Billy

Susan Bassett Jan 21, 2018 1:02 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

As a citizen of Los Angeles I strongly support Billy to stay in his home at the Los Angeles Zoo. This is his home. He has and does receive excellent care, and has the room to roam in his elephant habitat. Sanctuaries play a roll for animals who have been mistreated or treated cruelly as in the circus or other type of shows. Billy has only received loving care and support. Zoos today act as animal ambassadors to the human public. They educate people to understand their beauty and importance to the world. We all have a part to play in the continuation of this wonderful world we live in. With species disappearing it is even more important we all learn about animals. It has been often stated we only save what we love. Learning about animals creates a love for them, and a likelihood to want to save them from extinction. The city needs to take a roll in saving Billy from being torn from his home, his loving team, and his job of living a comfortable life, and teaching the public to love him and want to protect him in his Los Angeles home. He does have rights and that right is to stay in his home that is familiar to him, with the humans he is use to and who love and care for him. Please stand behind Billy's rights to stay in his home. The Los Angeles Zoo. A Zoo to be proud of. Thank you
Susan Bassett
19558 Rosita St
Tarzana 91356

Sent from my iPad

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Council File #17-0453, release Billy the Elephant

Kiran Hashmi Jan 21, 2018 1:03 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Hi
I am a member of the LA ZOO. And I do not support keeping elephants in captivity. There are plenty of other animals that are nice attractions for kids and families. We don't need to see elephants in the so called "state of the art" facility. These are sophisticated animals who need to roam long distances.

I would still hold membership to the zoo without an elephant exhibit. In fact, I would feel less guilty about having a Zoo membership for my kids if the zoo didn't imprison elephants.

FREE Billy!!

Kiran Hashmi
Redondo beach, CA

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Billy the Elephant - Council File #17-0453

Christine Hayes Jan 21, 2018 1:07 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Please leave Billy at the Los Angeles Zoo. I have seen his keepers work with him and believe they truly care for and want the best for him.

Has Billy been evaluated by a knowledgeable person who feels he is not getting the care he needs? If so, can you email me that evaluation, so I can understand why a sanctuary will be better for him than the Los Angeles Zoo.

I care about all animals and want the best for them. With the information I now have, I believe Billy should stay at the zoo and not be moved to a sanctuary. Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Christine B. Hayes
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Please keep Billy the Elephant at the LA Zoo

prakash mallya Jan 21, 2018 1:07 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

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Billy The Asian Elephant At The L.A. Zoo

Penelope Moon Flower Jan 21, 2018 1:08 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Thank you for hearing my opinion about Billy and the choice between keeping him at the L.A. Zoo, or relocating Billy to an elephant sanctuary.

Elephants are animals that definitely bond not only with one another, but also, if they are by circumstance compelled to be around humans... they truly bond with the caring humans in their midst.

Although I, as a fellow animal rights advocate, understand the position on animals roaming free... in this case with Billy The Elephant, it is my thoughful opinion that he remain in the care of the program at the L.A. Zoo.

Please, keep Billy with the L.A. Zoo, the humans he has learned to be bonded with and that have become bonded with Billy.

Thank you,
Penelope Flower-Flemming
L.A. Zoo member
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Council File #17-0453 - Meeting 1/24/28 - Los Angeles Zoo - 'Billy'

simonm...@sbcglobal.net Jan 21, 2018 1:16 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

As a husband to one of the Los Angeles Zoo's volunteers, I also wish to be represented with a voice on behalf of Billy. Billy has been living at the zoo for almost three decades, is a very healthy member of a marvelous zoo, and to be part of a political arena once again (such a short time in a few years) just seems a little ridiculous.

The Los Angeles Zoo provides excellent care for all critters, whether the animal is a tiny tadpole or to the marvelous stately size of Billy, our elephant. All animals receive such amazing care - first by the daily initial checking of the animals by the dedicated Zoo Keepers, then, if necessary, a visit from the medical staff -- immediate care is given. All animals seem to defy normal longevity living at the LA Zoo.

Understand the concern from the other side wanting Billy to live in a sanctuary - however, after being a resident of the LA Zoo for so long it only seems fitting he remain where he feels most comfortable. His daily needs of being groomed, fed, exercised, experience enrichment activity and loving the inclusion of the public (Billy loves the attention) is something we believe he would miss.

The opposition may not have all the records available, but if enlightened, we are sure they would agree, the Los Angeles Zoo is the place where Billy should live.

Thank you for your time.

Steve Simon

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City Council Motion #17-0453 Re: Billy

Glenn R. Stewart Jan 21, 2018 1:20 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

To: Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee

Dear Committee Members,

As a Professor Emeritus of Zoology and Environmental Science at Cal Poly Pomona, I am writing in support of the Los Angeles Zoo and urging you dismiss L. A. City Council motion #17-0453 that would require Billy, the Asian Elephant, to be sent to an elephant sanctuary. During my 45 years at Cal Poly Pomona, I taught a senior level course in Mammalogy, the study of mammals. One of the annual class field trips was to the LA Zoo, and one of the most popular and instructive parts of our "behind the scenes" tour for the students was the elephant exhibit. They were able to visit with the elephant keepers and learn about the biology of Asian Elephants, their endangerment in the wild, and their care at the zoo. I personally was privileged to observe young Billy and watch him grow up to a magnificent, mature bull - the perfect ambassador to the public for his endangered species!

During this time, I also was impressed by the zoo's diligent efforts to improve the elephant exhibit to the point that is now one of the best and largest zoo habitats for elephants in North America. In addition, the elephant care staff is top-notch and provides high quality care for all of their elephants, including Billy. This far exceeds the care he would get at a sanctuary. Moreover, elephants are very intelligent, social animals that form deep bonds with their keepers and other elephants. These bonds would be broken if Billy were sent to a sanctuary, likely leading him to become depressed and neurotic. The LA Zoo is the only home he has known and his removal, itself, could be interpreted as a form of animal cruelty!

It is with deep concern for Billy's future, and that of wild Asian Elephants, that I urge you not to approve the motion to send Billy to a sanctuary. He's getting great care here at home where he can continue his important role educating the public about the plight of wild Asian Elephants!

Thank you for your attention to my comments!

Sincerely,

Glenn R. Stewart, Ph.D.

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Council File #17-0453 - PLEASE KEEP BILLY THE ELEPHANT AT THE LOS ANGELES ZOO - THIS IS HIS HOME - HOW WOULD YOU FEEL IF YOU WERE TAKEN AWAY FROM THE ONLY HOME THAT YOU KNOW FOR THE PAST 28 YEARS

stba...@aol.com Jan 21, 2018 1:13 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

To the Council,

Thank you for taking time to read my email.

"In response to Council File #17-0453, I do not support any effort to move Billy the Asian elephant to a sanctuary," I am a life long animal lover. As I write this email, my cat is sitting on my lap. I visit the Los Angeles Zoo quite often. They take such great care of all the animals there. They would not get their accreditation if they did not give the great care to the animals at this zoo. I have watched the way the care taker look after all the elephants at the zoo especially Billy. The care takers at this zoo have such passion for these animals.

A few years ago, the zoo spent 39 million dollars to replace and build a state of the art elephant exhibit. The best I have ever seen. I took a tour of the elephant barn. The elephants have plenty of room and heated floors for their feet. In this zoo the elephants are free to roam the exhibit all day and night. The sanctuaries would lock them up at night. The sanctuaries would not provide the care that the zoo provides. He would be separated out from the females at a sanctuary as the females are too old to breed. So you tell me why a sanctuary is better for Billy. He has contact with the females now. The elephants have plenty of space to exercise, pools to swim in, a waterfall, soft dirt for their feet. I watched the care takers exercise Billy around the exhibit. They use enrichment exercise to ensure that Billy gets the exercise he needs. He has access to Tina and Jewel and Shanzi through the bars that separate the areas within the exhibit. Billy has been at this zoo since he was "4" years old. This is his home. He loves the people who care for him and the care takers love him. Please see the recent video from the Los Angeles Zoo about Billy's home. Billy loves to see the people and children who come to see him. I have seen him at the evening events enjoying the event along with the people. I have attached picture of Billy playing in the splashing in the water. He was having a great time. He did this on his own. Nobody forced him to do this. He is the heart of the zoo. He brings attention to the need to keep these beautiful and social animals alive and not go extinct.

I am interested in helping make sure that Billy the Elephant remains at the Los Angeles Zoo. This is the best place for him. He is happy there and the people love him and he loves the people who visit him. I saw him today roaming around the exhibit first at the waterfall and then at the Cambodia section of the exhibit. I know there are animal activates who think that a sanctuary is the best place for Billy. They are providing lies and misinformation about how the zoo cares for Billy. They DO NOT use bull hooks and electric shocks to work with Billy. They say he is too lonely at the zoo so that is why he exhibits behavior that shows he is not happy. How do these activates know what Is best for Billy. Do they know all about elephant behavior?. Apparently Billy had the bobbing of the head activity when he first came to the zoo. My understanding is that this behavior is common to elephants even in the wild. He does not show this behavior all the time. This behavior has decreased considerably since he came to the zoo. The activates say Billy is lonely. A bull elephant is known to be isolated in the wild. Billy has access to Tina and Jewel and Shanzi if he wants that companionship. He has the care takers and he has the people coming to the zoo as his companions. Moving an elephant is very stressful. We do not know that he will assimilate to the sanctuary as he has been at this zoo for so long. He certainly will not get the attention and care at the sanctuary as he is now getting at the zoo. My understanding is that these sanctuaries are understaffed. When another elephant Ruby was transferred to another sanctuary, I was told that he did not assimilate at all there and was miserable. How would you feel if the only home that you know for so many years and the people who love you and whom you love are suddenly taken away from you. I would be miserable.

Billy needs to stay at the Los Angeles Zoo. Billy love his home an we love Billy.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Susan Topper

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Council File 17-0453 Billy the elephant

Carol Austin Jan 21, 2018 1:26 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

To whom it may concern,
I have been made aware of efforts being made to relocate Billy the elephant from the L. A. zoo and place him in a sanctuary. Let me first say I don't believe in keeping any wild animal in captivity and I can't tell you how any of the animals made their way to the zoo. I can tell you, being an animal lover myself that once man has placed an animal in captivity they have a very low possibility of making in the wild ever again. At this point in Billy's life I believe you would be doing a grave disservice to relocate him into a sanctuary. He has a beautiful home where he is, plenty of room to roam and a sanctuary could and would never be able to give Billy the care that he needs, and looks forward to receiving on a day to day basis. I believe you would be shortening Billy's life by moving him, throwing him into a state of depression, taking him from the people he loves. I see this happen all the time, not just with animals but people as well. You have well meaning people getting involved and disrupting a life style that is working fine for them. What happens when you displace someone from what is familiar to them? they become depressed with a failure to thrive. Show me that Billy is living in deplorable conditions, is not being cared for, is not being well fed and loved, then maybe you would have a case to remove him. The people pressing for his removal don't know the first thing about Billy, he is no more than "a cause" for them to back. Please just leave Billy alone he doesn't need your help. He has a home.

Sincerely
Carol Austin

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Reference 17-0453 elephant

Shar Till Jan 21, 2018 1:42 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

To whom it may concern,

Please reconsider the motion to remove Billy the Elephant from his wonderful home at the L A Zoo. The zoo spent a huge amount of money, time and resources to build a state of the art compound for the elephants. Sending him to a sanctuary is tantamount to putting your father in a inexpensive care facility rather than keeping him in his forever home. Totally un necessary. I have spent time in Africa and seen wild elephants there and in the orphanages. There is no comparison. Given Billy's age it would be so hard for him to adjust and he would be with people and other elephants that are strangers. Please leave him to live out his years in the place where he is happy.

Yours,
Shar Till

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Council File #17-0453, GLAZA & Billy

Kathlene Persoff Jan 21, 2018 1:43 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Council,

I understand the sentiments of animal activists that are lobbying for Billy the Elephant of our Los Angeles Zoo to be moved to a sanctuary. However, he is what one might call a "special needs" elephant, and with the team of professionals that are caring for him DAILY, he could never receive all the special care he gets now at another location.

Please "save" some other animals elsewhere that really need to be rescued. This, however, is not such a case.

I have supported GLAZA for some years, and also animal organizations that rescue/care for animals in need. Please do your research for this particular case, and I am sure you will favor GLAZA.

Respectfully yours,

Kathlene Persoff
Sherman Oaks, CA 91411

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Council File #17-0453 -- KEEP BILLY THE ELEPHANT AT THE LA ZOO

Emily Edwards Jan 21, 2018 1:51 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear City Council Members:

I'm writing to you for the first time to express my outrage that anyone would consider removing Billy the Elephant from the only home he has ever known at the LA Zoo.

When I first moved to Los Angeles in 2006, I was overjoyed to learn that my new city's zoo would be spending $40 million to refurbish and completely overhaul their elephant enclosure. It was such an amazing sign, to me, that the city deeply cared for conservation and the world's wildlife, as well as first-hand education for its citizens and children in the ways of conservation, animal science, and global issues threatening the health of the Earth and all of its creatures.

And now, twelve years later, I feel as though the city is all but demolishing that dedication to education with the removal of Billy the Elephant.

Not only will moving Billy be detrimental to the culture of LA, but it will be hurtful to the animal himself. Like all elephants, Billy is a social creature and has been cared for nearly his **entire** life by the same team of dedicated animal care experts at the Zoo. Billy benefits from animal care staff and accommodations that FAR exceed almost any other zoo's or sanctuary's in North America.

By removing Billy, Los Angeles will be stating loud and clear to the world that we are willing to forgo our dedication to green issues, animal conservation, education, and world-class animal care by catering to a small group of well intentioned but ultimately misguided people.

PLEASE do what is right by keeping Billy at the Zoo!

Best,
Emily Edwards

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KEEP BILLY AT THE la ZOO

Fred Koegler Jan 21, 2018 1:55 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Sirs: KEEP BILLY AT THE LA ZOO!!! The animal rights activists obviously have not visited other zoos in the
United States or the world. Billy has one of the best enclosures anywhere. People love him and don't listen to the
left wing whacks!!

KEEP BILLY WHERE HE IS AT THE LA ZOO!!
Debbie Koegler
La Crescenta
Ca 91214

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L.A. City Council motion #17-0453

Cristina Morrison Jan 21, 2018 2:17 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee Member,

As an area resident and a supporter of the Los Angeles Zoo, I urge you to dismiss L.A. City Council motion #17-0453 that would send Billy the Asian elephant to a sanctuary.

The Elephants of Asia habitat at the Los Angeles Zoo is Billy's home. In fact, it's the only home that he has ever known. Billy lives in one of the best and largest elephant habitats in North America and benefits from tremendous resources, a dedicated staff, and top-quality health care. Elephants of Asia is the largest habitat at the L.A. Zoo and the space vastly exceeds the standards of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), as well as those of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the California Department of Fish & Wildlife.

Billy's quality of care at the L.A. Zoo far surpasses that which he would receive at any sanctuary. Elephants are highly intelligent and sociable animals, and they form deep emotional bonds with their caregivers and other elephants. Billy's caregivers have known him for decades and he receives the best care possible at the L.A. Zoo. If Billy were sent to a sanctuary, the ties he has with his caregivers and fellow elephant companions would be broken. Further, any sanctuary would keep Billy separated from other elephants, since he is a bull and would not be allowed to mate.

The fact is that sanctuaries are limited in their land and financial resources, no matter their size. They do not have an accrediting organization as stringent as the AZA and they are not focused on or committed to saving animals from extinction.

At the L.A. Zoo, Billy is an ambassador for his endangered species. He is an important member of the AZA Asian elephant Species Survival Plan (SSP) and his presence at the L.A. Zoo raises awareness about his wild counterparts to the nearly 1.8 million people who visit the Zoo annually. The L.A. Zoo does a tremendous amount of conservation work and is committed to saving the thousands of species, including wild Asian elephants, that are on the verge of extinction.

I am submitting this letter because I care deeply about Billy's future as well as that of endangered wild Asian elephants. It is with this concern that I ask you NOT to approve the motion to send Billy to a sanctuary. Billy deserves the best care possible – and wild Asian elephants deserve a future.

Sincerely,
Cristina Morrison

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Council File #17-0453 L.A. Zoo and Bill the Asian Elephant

Paula Riggin Jan 21, 2018 2:23 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Los Angeles City Council Arts, Entertainment, Parks and River Committee Member,

I am an area resident and a supporter of the Los Angeles Zoo. I urge you to dismiss L.A. City Council motion #17-0453 that would send Billy the Asian elephant to a sanctuary.

Billy is an amazing elephant, and the Elephants of Asia habitat at the Los Angeles Zoo is an amazing home for him. In fact, it's the only home that he has ever known. Billy lives in one of the best and largest elephant habitats in North America and benefits from tremendous resources, a dedicated staff, and top-quality health care. Elephants of Asia is the largest habitat at the L.A. Zoo and the space vastly exceeds the standards of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), as well as those of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the California Department of Fish & Wildlife.

When I visit the zoo, I love to watch the elephant keepers working with Billy. Their compassion for this magnificent animal and his appreciation for them can be seen after only observing them for a few minutes. I had the opportunity last year to talk for a few minutes with one of the elephant keepers. I asked him if he had a 'favorite' elephant. He smiled and replied that he loves caring for all the elephants, but has a special place in his heart for Billy. I was touched when I witnessed how Billy heard this keeper's voice from a far and made a special trip through his expansive habit to come over and see his friend. That behavior demonstrates love and compassion, not a distressed animal that needs to be removed from his home.

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Sincerely,

Paula Riggin
10937 Otsego St Apt 3
North Hollywood, CA 91601

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Reference Council File #17-0453.

Justine Jan 21, 2018 2:30 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Los Angeles City Council:

While my children love visiting the zoo & I am not opposed to sanctuaries by any means, Billy seems to love his home at the LA Zoo.

As a concerned citizen, I do not think it's up to the city council members to decide the fate of Billy the Elephant.

As humans are mammals, and as mammals are animals, and we all are creatures of habit, I can't see how moving an animal that has lived his entire life in one place would benefit him.

Moving Billy away from everything he knows in his old age, might make him more depressed than one may think.

I actually work with students with diverse disabilities & I had a former student who's parent is a veterinarian technician at the Los Angeles Zoo in the past. The knowledge that my student had for the care and safety of animals was beyond her years & I am sure her mom is to thank for that. The other students really enjoyed hearing her told stories.

While it is not my decision to have the fate of Billy the Elephant be moved, I think it would surely be a heartbreaking experience from the many, many people that are involved in his life to keep Billy where he is at, in his home that he knows.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,

Justine Hooper
Los Angeles Resident & Los Angeles Zoo member

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Billy elephant LA Zoo

lydia herndon Jan 21, 2018 2:33 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Upon receiving an email from LA Zoo as one of its members. I'm learning that there is a motion to move Billy the elephant to a sanctuary.
I support Billy being relocated to a facility that would offer him a more open quiet natural environment to live in. The LA Zoo elephant habitat is one of our favorites, with that said I never forget to remind my son that it is still a caged animal denied the right to freedom. If there is any opportunity to offer this elephant a life without being on display it must be taken.
I don't know details of the sanctuary.. the name alone says enough for me. Billy deserves to have the most natural setting as it's home albeit the LA Zoo offers a lovely home if there is another option we have to take it.
Thank you
Lydia Herndon

Sent from my iPhone

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Council File #17-0453 (Billy the Elephant)

Kim Gruenenfelder Jan 21, 2018 2:53 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

The Los Angeles Zoo has been heavily active in conservation and animal welfare efforts for decades. Their work has helped prevent the extinction of various species of animals, and done so much in order to protect the animal kingdom. They are also involved with many anti-poaching organizations to stop the hunting of a variety of animals threatened by man. This is especially true of the zoo's elephants, who are kept in one of the finest state-of-the-art enclosures in the world. The elephants are tended to by a team of wonderful scientists and experts who care deeply about them, and have decades of experience helping them thrive.

Council File #17-0453 shows no understanding of the work that the Los Angeles Zoo does for Billy the elephant. The bill would only strip Billy of the amazing care he receives. There is no scientific merit to what the animal right's movement pushing for the bill is advocating, and the City Council should not endanger Billy's health and well being by supporting it.

Kim Gruenenfelder
Kim@KimForCongress.org

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Files case number #17-0453

Dale Jan 21, 2018 3:13 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear City Council,

I'm a little confused on why you would want to move Billy the Elephant from a safe enclosure where he has lived for a number years and risk endangering him with an environment that will be strange and possibly harmful. Isn't there a much larger crisis lingering with in your Districts that warrants the money that will be needed to move an Elephant from what is already his home? How would you spend your own money when you compare the needs of the community verses moving an elephant that is happy right where he is? As a sanctuary city, you should be ashamed of yourself for not treating an endangered animal with the same respect you allow for others.

Dale
schpa5vp@aol.com

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Billy the elephant should stay at the LA Zoo

Vicki Defalque Jan 21, 2018 3:14 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Please let the city council know that I do NOT want Billy, the Asian elephant, moved to a sanctuary. He is in a state-of-the art facility where he benefits from tremendous resources: a dedicated team of animal care staff and top-quality health care from board-certified staff veterinarians.
I support the zoo's efforts to keep Billy here at the zoo for the millions of visitors to see, love, care about the future of elephants around the world.
Kind Regards,
Vicki Defalque

Sent from my iPad

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re: Council File #17-0453, Billy The Elephant

David Keliher Jan 21, 2018 3:15 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Re: Council File #17-0453, Billy The Elephant

Dear City Council:

My name is Dave Keliher. I am writing to you to ask you to please leave Billy the Elephant at the Los Angeles Zoo. I have worked there as an AV Tech for 13 years and have seen Billy many times over the years. I have gotten to know the animals keepers, the curators, and the enrichment staff and seen how hard they work to make all the animals in the zoo safe and well cared for. I have attended many lectures from guest speakers from around the world telling us about the plights of animals in the wild and learned about the important work zoos do, and that includes providing a home for Billy.

Not only do I believe Billy likes where he is, the people who visit the zoo can see him in person and he helps them understand the importance of saving the elephants in the wild. Humans are destroying the elephant habitat and that of hundred and thousands of other animals.

It is not my intention to make an appeal based on emotion. Look at the facts; come see Billy for yourself; talk to the keepers and the enrichment staff and you will see why Billy should stay where he belongs: at the Los Angeles Zoo.

Sincerely,

Dave Keliher
davesavepigs@yahoo.com

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Re: Council File #17-0453 - We are against the proposed relocation of Billy the Asian elephant

Keith Berglund Jan 21, 2018 3:31 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to advise of the Berglund Family's strong support in favor of keeping Billy the Asian elephant at the Los Angeles Zoo and against relocation to a sanctuary. The Los Angeles Zoo is best suited to provide support for and continued growth of the Asian elephant species. The degree of care, support and ability to highlight the continued degradation of wildlife in general is a mission that AZA is well suited to accomplish - and specifically the Los Angeles Zoo with respect to Billy. The sophisticated breeding programs implemented by AZA members, including the Los Angeles Zoo, are unparalleled and are in many instances the last line of defense for many species. Moreover, the Los Angeles Zoo is an important part of the fabric of the city and a meaningful elephant program highlights many of the issues faced by too many animal species in the crowded world of today.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our position in support of keeping Billy the Asian elephant in the Los Angeles Zoo.

Sincerely,

Keith, Jee, Taylor, Vaughn and Siena Berglund

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Council File #17-0453. Please do not disrupt Billy the Elephant's life and home at L.A. Zoo.

Laurie Pehar Borsh Jan 21, 2018 3:32 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk** - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public **Services**

I would like to let the Council know that my family and I support the L.A. Zoo and the professionals who are entrusted to care for our beloved Billy the elephant!

Why are you/we trying to interrupt and his life and home at the Zoo? Please understand that he his SO HAPPY! He adores his keepers! Where do you think he should go? This is unbelievable. We went through this back when we were first going to build the new elephant habitat! I thought that was going to be the last time this "fight to move Billy" would have to be dealt with.

The L.A. Zoo is Billy's home — he flourishes there!!! As Zoo members and supporters we will fight this! We love our Billy!

He lives is one of the GREATEST elephant habitats in North America! THIS is a state-of-the Art facility with a TEAM of the world's BEST animal care and health care/board-Certifed staff veterinarians!

Where in the world do you THINK Billy should go? This is a CRAZY situation!

Why are we caving into these activists, who have nothing better to do? Unbelievable!

Again, the success of the L.A. Zoo's elephant program and Billy's good health is based, in part, on the quality of care he has received from some of the best animal care professionals in the world, who have a combined 65+ years of working with Billy. Like I said, HE LOVES them and he LOVES HIS HOME. HE IS SO HAPPY!

This would be no different than ripping a child away from a home in which he/she has been loved and cared for for so long! Moving Billy will be a devastating move to all of us who love him, his keepers, the other Elephants, the Zoo as a whole and most of all this "activist-driven" move of Billy will harm and devastate Billy!

Let these activists go fight another cause, i.e. fighting homelessness or abuse.

Laurie Pehar Borsh

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File #17-0453. Please Keep Billy at the Zoo

Dave Jan 21, 2018 3:39 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

I am writing in support of the Los Angeles Zoo and keeping elephants at the zoo. The zoo has an amazing elephant program and the elephants are better served staying at the zoo. By keeping elephants and other animals at the zoo the economically diverse population served by the zoo has access to important educational opportunities that they would have no other chance to have absent the zoo. Please do not jeopardize the zoo elephant program. Thanks

Sent from my mobile device.

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Council File #17-0453 KEEP BILLY AT THE ZOO!

Kaz Kasnetsis Jan 21, 2018 3:44 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Hi city council, we are long time members of the Los Angeles Zoo.

Billy lives in one of the best and largest elephant habitats in North America, at a state-of-the art facility where he benefits from tremendous resources: a dedicated team of animal care staff and top-quality health care from board-certified staff veterinarians.

The success of the Zoo's elephant program and Billy's good health is based, in part, on the quality of care he has received from highly qualified animal care professionals who have a combined 65+ years of working with him daily.

It is not an exaggeration to say that a sanctuary could never match the level of care and the quality of life that Billy enjoys at the Los Angeles Zoo. *Never.*

Please support keeping Billy and all the elephants at the Los Angeles Zoo.

Michael Kasnetsis and Mia Zhang
1920 Brightwood Street, Monterey Park CA 91754

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Council File #17-0453 - Billy's possible relocation

Amy Ness Jan 21, 2018 4:11 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Council Members.

Billy, the Asian elephant, has been at the LA Zoo since 1989. He is 32 years old and has been in Los Angeles for most of his life. He is familiar with his luxurious surroundings - 6.56 acres, over three acres of outdoor space, bathing pools with a waterfall, varied topography including sandy hills, clever enrichment opportunities, and a high tech barn well-equipped to care for all the elephants.

Even more importantly, he knows his zoo caregivers and they KNOW him. They understand his behavior, his preferences, his health status, his idiosyncracies. The keepers are able to detect minute changes immediately, making critical adjustments to ensure his well-being. Relocating any animal from familiar surroundings is inordinately stressful. A move to a different facility is counterintuitive and would be counterproductive to a life well-lived.

Part of the Zoo's mission is "To inspire an appreciation of wildlife through exhibitry and education; ensure the highest level of animal welfare; and support programs that preserve biodiversity and conserve natural habitat." John Lewis, the zoo staff and volunteers are committed to this vision. They have the education, talent and expertise to accomplish this mission. The council members should willingly defer to their knowledge, leadership, and to science. Leave Billy in peace at his home in The Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens*.

Thank you for you time,

Amy Ness
Veterinary Technician
Long time wildlife advocate and Zoo supporter

* Accredited by AZA, non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of zoos and aquariums in the areas of conservation, education, and science.

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Do Not Remove Billy! Council File #17-0453

Shannon Berg Jan 21, 2018 4:13 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Council-

Please, please listen to the wish of the people, namely those whom have the facts, evidence, and accurate data to support why it's so important that Billy the elephant remains at the LA Zoo, rather than those persons raising their voices loudly purely based on emotion to represent their voice.

Billy the elephant deserves to remain at the LA Zoo. It's been his home. He will NEVER see the same quality care that he does now. Billy has been a face to the LA Zoo and has provided millions of people, including all the children, with immense joy.

I strongly urge the Council to make the best decision and allow Billy to continue to call the LA Zoo his home. Do NOT move him. This species needs our help and the LA Zoo is a great advocate in the survival of this amazing species.

We are more than grateful to the Zoo and all its staff, for the care they continue to provide to the marvelous creatures in the world.

Billy belongs here!

In the [LA] Zoo, we trust,
Shannon & John Sonje Berg

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Leave Billy at the Los Angeles Zoo

Ronald Kipp Jan 21, 2018 4:41 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Please leave Billy at the Los Angeles Zoo where he has a beautiful yard and access to world class vet care. I am a long time supporter of the Los Angeles Zoo, they do amazing work in Los Angeles and support conservation efforts all over the world.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Kipp

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Billy, the Asian Elephant, who lives at the Los Angeles Zoo

Cathleen Depner Jan 21, 2018 4:42 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Los Angeles City Council,

My family and I have enjoyed visiting the Zoo for the last few years. I have seen the changes that have been made to keep all of the animals in the best of environments.

The elephants are one of the most enjoyable exhibits in the zoo. There are several ways for us to see the elephants up close. I believe it would be wrong to send Billy away from people who care and work hard to make sure Billy is happy and healthy. Please don't send Billy away. I believe what the Director sites below is the truth. Not only would we miss Billy, but Billy will miss his caretakers and friends.

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Reference Council File #17-0453

Thank you for your attention,

Cathleen Depner

Jennifer Crumpton

Lyla Crumpton

Gene Arias

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

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Billy the elephant.

martin.euan Jan 21, 2018 3:53 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Please leave Billy the elephant at the LA Zoo.
He is being taken care of and making a lot of people happy.
People enjoy going to the zoo and learning about all the different animals. I guarantee that there are a lot more people that want him to stay than people who are looking to spoil it for everyone else.
He lives in a state of the art facility.
Leave him alone.

Respectfully,

Martin R. Euan.

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Zoo Male elephant--#17-0453

richard Jan 21, 2018 5:01 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

How come you want to mess with Billy the LA zoo's male elephant? He's been at the zoo since a little kid. It's all he knows. Are you in favor of the Dreamers' staying? They only know America. Billy is the same status. His compound is huge. Billy has a ton of room to roam. He's very happy. The zoo is his home where in 20 years or so, he should die.

Zoo member,
Richard Farber

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Zoo member,
Richard Farber

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Billy, an LA Zoo resident

Chris McCarty Jan 21, 2018 5:11 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to request that Billy remain at his beloved home, the LA Zoo. He truly is loved, well cared for, and in the best of hands in the City of the Angels. If you ever get a chance to see the elephant talk, presented by Billy and his keepers, you will understand that there is a strong, loving bond between them and a relationship that is respectful and firmly attached. Billy loves to hang out with his trainers and mingle with them at this location of the exhibit. Thank you for your consideration in keeping Billy at this home when he will be most comfortable.

respectfully submitted,

Chris McCarty

GLAZA member

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Billy the Asian Elephant at the LA Zoo Council File #17-0453

Deborah Morrow Jan 21, 2018 5:21 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear LA City Council,

I became a member of the Greater Los Angeles Zoo Association 3 years ago because my new grandson was 6 months old. I go to the LA Zoo probably once a month. My grandson, William, who is now 3 1/2 years old loves going to the zoo and when his Aunt and Uncle were here from Boston, he was able to be their tour guide. Going different days of the weeks for the last 3 years I have observed how well all the animals are cared for by the LA Zoo staff. I have also observed how many children come to visit the Zoo from all over the city that have never or rarely seen wild animals. The children whether they are 6 months or 12 years old are in awe of all the animals. I feel seeing them in person is so much more special then seeing them on TV or a picture in a book. I think Zoo's are one way that we can show our children how important it is to keep our environment safe for us and for all animals. The LA Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoo & Aquariums (AZA), which is an independent nonprofit organization dedicated to conservation, education and science. Fewer than 10% of the 2,800 wildlife exhibitors licensed by the US Department of Agriculture are accredited by the AZA.

For you that have never seen Billy, he is a beautiful 32 year old male with two amazingly large white tusks. His species is endangered. He lives in a beautiful 6.56 acres that is just for him and 3 other female elephants. Their facility consist of varied terrain and hills that offers plenty of different ways to exercise and have fun. If you go to the Zoo, at times you can see him having fun in the waterfall, walking around looking for food, or putting dirt on his back. He is really magnificent. He knows his handlers and zookeepers. How can animal activists know what is best for him when he has lived happily at the LA Zoo for 28 years? How sad it would be if we don't let the children of Los Angeles see this magnificent animal with their own eyes and how sad for Billy to be taken from his home.

In these last 3 years, I have been so impressed with our LA Zoo that I am planning on applying to be a docent in the fall (they only allow you to apply once a year). I have seen the joy of the people that come to the LA Zoo and I want to be a part of it. Also, I know everyone talks about the San Diego Zoo but in my opinion the LA Zoo is better because you can see almost all the animals in a day.

Sincerely,
Deborah Wade Morrow
(818) 957-1258

P.S. If you haven't been to the LA Zoo in awhile I'm sure my grandson, William would be willing to give you a tour.

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In support of Billy the elephant remaining at the LA Zoo (please open)

Pepper Edmiston Jan 21, 2018 5:31 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Jambo!

We have visited Africa many, many times. Elephants are best kept on the plains of Kenya, Tanzania and the other countries in East Africa.

However, when an elephant has been raised in captivity - wonderful captivity! -
he must stay where he has flourished, where he feels safe and where he demonstrates happiness.

Elephants, famed for their intelligence and sensitivity, are comfortable with animals, people and surroundings that are familiar.

Obviously, Billy is brighter than the misguided activists who would remove him from his home. If only Billy could speak.....

Sincerely,

Pepper & Joe Edmiston

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Council File #17-0453 Billy the Elephant

Susan L. Wells Jan 21, 2018 2:54 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Regarding Council File #17-0453
Billy the Elephant

I support the Los Angeles Zoo. I wholeheartedly support those who act in the best interests of Billy the Elephant—the experts at the Los Angeles Zoo.

Those who wish to banish Billy to a sanctuary are completely misguided. Billy would NEVER receive the level of care that he receives at the Los Angeles Zoo.

Billy lives in one of the best and largest elephant habitats in North America, at a state-of-the art facility where he benefits from tremendous resources: a dedicated team of animal care staff and top-quality health care from board-certified staff veterinarians.

The success of the Zoo's elephant program and Billy's good health is based, in part, on the quality of care he has received from highly qualified animal care professionals who have a combined 65+ years of working with him daily.

Billy needs to stay at the Los Angeles Zoo as an ambassador for all elephants. He needs to stay with the top-quality Los Angeles Zoo professionals who care for him and know him.

Please, keep Billy where he belongs.

Susan L. Wells
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Santa Susana, CA 93063

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Council File #17-0453 - L.A. Zoo

Robert Jan 21, 2018 5:47 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Hello;

Re: Council File #17-0453

I am supporting the Los Angeles Zoo and opposition to a Los Angeles City Council motion that has been filed to remove Billy the Asian elephant from the Zoo to a sanctuary. It is so important to Keep Billy and Have him remain at his home!

Billy lives in one of the best and largest elephant habitats in North America, at a state-of-the art facility where he benefits from tremendous resources: a dedicated team of animal care staff and top-quality health care from board-certified staff veterinarians.

The success of the Zoo's elephant program and Billy's good health is based, in part, on the quality of care he has received from highly qualified animal care professionals who have a combined 65+ years of working with him daily.

It is not an exaggeration to say that a sanctuary could never match the level of care and the quality of life that Billy enjoys at the Los Angeles Zoo. *Never.*

Billy needs to stay right where he is! Think of all the children and adults that have never seen an elephant. If you move him all those people will never see one! Please leave him alone right where he is!

Thank You!

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Billy the elephant #17-0453

Pamela Everett Jan 21, 2018 6:23 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Please keep Billy at the Los Angeles Zoo. It is a beautiful facility.

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billy

cthehighkix Jan 21, 2018 6:32 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

leave Billy the elephant at the LA zoo. it IS BY FAR the best place for him!

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

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Please keep Billy the Elephant

Robert Baron Jan 21, 2018 6:44 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

To whom it may concern,

I believe that the City of LA should keep Billy the elephant at the LA Zoo. My young children love the zoo so much and admire the elephants; which are their favorite animals to see. While I understand the concerns of environmentalists as I am one myself, I don't believe it would be prudent to remove Billy from a home that he has become acclimated to, and where he is safe from poachers and hunters and is well cared for. Furthermore, I hope the city keeps the status quo and doesn't do anything further to extract Billy from the zoo. The city has bigger and more pressing things to deal with and this is clearly not one of them. Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,
Robert Baron

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Billy the Asian Elephant

Fefe Ford Jan 21, 2018 7:38 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Hi,

Please be kind to this Elephant...He is comfortable, safe, and has a predictable schedule, and life .

As he ages, his environment needs to be predictable. Having him be charged to navigate, and adjust to new surrounding could prove to be traumatic for him.

Go see him for yourself, take a tour. Then decide.

Best,
Felicia Ford,
Annual Pass Holder

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65+ Say's it all you take billy out his habitat now your just asking 65yrs of care what if he gets home sick he's not used to other thanking car of him can't you see what could happened if you take him from us & and the one's that love him ?! So please don't take him out of his home ! Mr Mrs Galindo & family

Ronald Galindo Jan 21, 2018 7:35 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

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County File #17-0453 Billy the Elephant

Jennifer Graves Jan 21, 2018 7:43 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

I am writing this email to show my support for the LA Zoo in their attempt to maintain custody of Billy the elephant. The LA Zoo is Billy's home. He has a beautiful facility to live in, one that surpasses other elephant facilities in the country. Billy also has a staff that cares for him in many ways. The LA Zoo works hard to maintain the health and happiness of all of their animals, and they have created an environment for him where he can be as healthy and as happy as possible. Moving him to another facility at this point in his life would be cruel, as this is the only home he has known. Please allow the LA Zoo and its staff to continue the amazing work they do with Billy.

Thank you,
Jennifer Graves

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#17-0453

Scott Sewell Jan 21, 2018 7:32 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

I oppose the well-meaning but misguided efforts of a few animal rights activists to move Billy the Elephant from his home at the LA Zoo to another location. These individuals possess neither the expertise on elephants nor knowledge of this particular animal specifically to make this judgement. In any event, this kind of decision should not be made under any circumstances by a city committee which also does not possess this expertise.

This is an effort to remake history. I am afraid I believe that these individuals are opposed to the concept of zoos in general and have continuing agenda to destroy this very important city resource. The LA Zoo is a tremendous asset for the children and adults of our city as well as living repository of genetic and behavioral knowledge of its animals.

Let's let the professionals at the Zoo decide what's best for its inhabitants.

Scott Sewell

310 993-3203

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File# 17-0453

Kim Ellett Jan 21, 2018 1:45 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

I am writing in regards to the relocation of Billy the elephant at the LA Zoo. We have been zoo members for many years and have loved being able to observe the animals that are so well cared for at OUR zoo. Billy is not just an animal there, he is an animal ambassador. Billy's presences has helped instill a love of animals, an understand of the need to protect his wild family members and a greater understanding of our human responsibilities towards our planet and all the animals that love on it. Billy is well cared for and thriving in his home at the LA Zoo. Please save Billy from being relocated!
Concerned citizens,
Robert and Kimberly Ellett
Sent from my iPhone

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Billy the Elephant at the LA Zoo Reference Council File #17-0463

Sandra Lipschultz Jan 21, 2018 8:20 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

I am sending this email to voice my support for Billy's (and Jewel and Tina and Shauni's) continuing residence at the LA Zoo. Billy and "the girls" live in one of the best and largest elephant habitats in North America. The LA Zoo's Elephant Exhibit is a state-of-the art facility where he and they benefit from incredible resources, including : a team of animal care staff that are dedicated to their well being, as well as top-quality health care from board-certified staff veterinarians.

Billy's good health is not just a lucky happenstance. It is based on the quality of care he has received from highly qualified animal care professionals who have spent decades working with elephants with for the past 2 decades with Billy daily.

A sanctuary could never match the level of care and the quality of life that Billy enjoys at the Los Angeles Zoo. Don't be enticed by the supposedly thousands of acres that a sanctuary might claim or own. The fact is that the elephant barn will be located close to the perimeter road and entrance, to make supply delivery more efficient. Elephants are VERY smart. They will hang out in that close to the entrance area where all the action and food is located. They won't utilize the large space. The space at the LA Zoo may not be nearly as large as that of the sanctuary, but the Zoo's staff makes sure that the elephants are engaged in behavioral stimulation including having to hunt for their food in far and varying sections, giving them the variety and exercise they need and deserve.

And frankly, what is a zoo without elephants? A sad place where the public won't be able to see these magnificent animals and soon will have no connection.or empathy to the species, and the poaching stories we hear on the news will be meaningless to our citizens, and elephants around the world will lose the important support these engaged visitors provide.

PLEASE KEEP BILLY AND HIS COMPANIONS AT THE L.A. ZOO FOR THEIR SAKE AND OURS.

Thank you.

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Billy the African elephant at the GLAZA

James Jan 21, 2018 8:26 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Moving this elephant too so-called "sanctuary" is completely irresponsible. Billy is being cared for by professionals and in a state of the art habitat where he has lived for years, to move him would not be in his best interest. This is purely a political maneuver, and should condemned.

Sent from my iPad, Jim Anhalt

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Council File #17-0453 - Please Keep Billy the Elephant at the LA Zoo

Fruits...@yahoo.com Jan 21, 2018 9:02 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Hello,

I am writing to you to ask you to please keep Billy the Elephant at the LA Zoo and not send him to a sanctuary. Billy and the other elephants receive excellent care at the LA Zoo. Children and everyone who see the elephants at the Zoo learn to appreciate these wonderful and unusual animals. People care more about things they witness with their own eyes, and I think more people will support elephants in the wild because they have experienced them at the Zoo.

Billy and all of the animals at the zoo have formed strong bonds with their caretakers and to move him away would cause him (and the keepers) emotional trauma.

Please keep Billy and all of the animals at the LA Zoo.

Jean Krasnick

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Keep Billy at home at the zoo

Goguen Jan 21, 2018 9:31 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Billy has lived all his life being well cared for at the LA Zoo.
Sending him to a sanctuary would be like sending DACA immigrants 'back' to a home they have never known.
Well meaning support for elephants can be focused on helping those still in the wild.
Krista Goguen

Sent from my iPad

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Billy - Council File #17-0453

Jose Maria Andres Martin Jan 21, 2018 9:46 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Billy is an ambassador of his species to all the future generations who would visit him at the zoo, please leave him at this facility. Also the relocation to the sanctuary could be even more harmful to the animal after all this time with us. Please, leave him with us.

Jose

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Billy the Elephant -- #17-0453

Joanna Sims Jan 21, 2018 10:06 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear City Clerk's Office,

I 100% support the LA Zoo to continue to care for Billy the Elephant. My 4 year old daughter and I have, on numerous occasions over the years, enjoyed Billy in his amazing habitat at the LA ZOO. Whenever a handler is nearby, we always ask as many questions as possible and have learned a lot about Billy and the other two female elephants. Please help Billy remain in his home where many children will be able to learn from him over the years to come.

Sincerely,
Joanna Sims
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Billy, the elephant at the Los Angeles Zoo

Sandra Cutuli Jan 21, 2018 1:59 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

I urge you to allow Billy to stay at the Los Angeles Zoo, where he has been for most of his life, where he receives outstanding care, and where he has formed relationships with his keepers.

Sandra Cutuli
1840 Preuss Road
Los Angeles, CA 90035

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Billy, the elephant at the Los Angeles Zoo

Esther Chao Jan 21, 2018 10:10 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Los Angeles City Council,

I have been a resident of the Los Angeles area since 1959. I am 70 years told. I believe that our ZOO should have Billy, as a representative of his species.

I recently returned from a trip to Uganda and Rwanda. I saw many wild elephants. It is sad to say that I saw one up close with a right rear leg injury due to SNARES made by the local poachers.

The main reason for my trip to Uganda/Rwanda was to see the Mountain Gorillas. I saw them in both of those countries. The poachers in those countries who used to hunt Mountain Gorillas are now porters for the tourists. We have to hike up to 6 hours at high elevations to get to the families of habituated Mountain Gorillas. I gave huge TIPS to those porters to impress on them that they could make more money from tourism than poaching of the Mountain Gorillas.

You are probably inundated with news that many species of our wildlife is becoming extinct due to habitat reduction (from people needing a place to live, and needing to grow crops to feed themselves), AND poaching.

The public needs to be educated on these issues, and there is no better place to bring that out than in a zoo education situation.

I hope that you will allow Billy to enjoy many more years at the Los Angeles Zoo. His enclosure is large, with soft dirt ground to walk on, and he has excellent caretakers, and medical team.

Most sincerely,

Esther S. M. CHUI CHAO

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Billy the Elephant at the LA Zoo

DELIA DUQUE Jan 21, 2018 12:39 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear Sirs;

I just wanted to say that Billy lives in probably the largest and best enclosure in the United States and perhaps the World. He gets daily enrichment as well as daily hands-on care. He would not get this at a Sanctuary. Yes, he might have more grounds to wander, but a Sanctuary cannot give the same daily personal attention to their Elephants that the LA Zoo does. Billy also gets to interact with 3 females, so he is in no way isolated.

I believe that if he were moved to a sanctuary he would have to be castrated. He is one of the last captured Elephants and his genes are vital to diversity of the species. Please leave him at the LA Zoo where he is VERY WELL CARED FOR.

Sincerely,

Mary Duque
990 West Riverside Drive
Burbank, CA

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Billy the Elephant at the LA Zoo

Nancy Dennis Jan 21, 2018 10:49 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my unequivocal support of maintaining Billy, the Asian elephant, in his luxurious and expansive quarters at the Los Angeles Zoo. He is supported by caring and dedicated keepers, whose only job is to insure his well being and health. Could he conceivably receive such attention and care in an animal sanctuary? NO! He receives one-on-one veterinary care in a state of the art facility at the L.A. Zoo, where he has lived for years. Why on earth would anyone want to move him from his only known and familiar home, and deprive many children of Los Angeles of their only chance to see a real live elephant? Can you imagine the shock that Billy would experience through a grueling transition to an unfamiliar residence at his age? I am staunchly opposed to any effort to relocate Billy, as I know in my heart he would never receive the same standard of care in a "sanctuary" and he would risk damage to his health and life during the relocation.

I am copying my representative, Councilmember Koretz, so that he is clear that my household (four registered voters) firmly believe he is on the wrong side of this movement.

Thank you,

Nancy L. Dennis
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(310) 245-1173 (cell)

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File #17-0453, Relocation of Billy the Elephant

Ben Matsunaga Jan 21, 2018 10:56 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear City Clerk Office,

My name is Ben Matsunaga and I am writing to you in response of Council Member Kortez' motion (file # 17-0453) to relocate the Zoo's male elephant, Billy, to a sanctuary. I have been a Zoo patron for many years, but this past June I have joined the Zoo staff as an Education Specialist. Before this I have had over 4 years of experience in informal interpretation in Zoological and Aquatic Facilities. At every one of these facilities I have seen first hand the hard work, dedication and love that goes into caring for these animals. The Elephants we house at the Zoo receive the best quality care I have seen in any Zoo. With over 65 years of combined experience in our Los Angles Zoo's elephant team they are the ones who can best attest the love, hard work and dedication that goes into caring for these animals. Animal Rights group want you to believe that Billy would be better off in a sanctuary. Again, this is not the case. You must not and can not listen to Animal Right Extremists shouting at the top of their lungs performing publicity stunts. Listen to those who work with Billy everyday, we are the ones who know what is best for him. As an Education Specialist I do not have stories of working hands on with Billy like the elephant team, but I do have stories of guests who get to see Billy everyday at our Zoo. I get to meet kids and adults everyday who share a love for animals and want to know more about Billy and his friends. My job as an educator does not end on Zoo grounds, my job follows me everywhere I go. I get to see peoples faces light up when they see my Zoo shirt at the store while buying groceries or when I'm walking down the street at night to get to class. People have stopped me and will ask about their favorite animal from when they were kids. One time in particular comes to mind, I had finished a long day at Zoo and I needed to stop by the store to pick up some groceries for dinner. At the check outline I was talking to my cashier and as he greeted me asked if I worked at the Zoo. Preparing for an anti-captivity driven rant, I sighed and said "Why yes, I do." My cashier then let out the biggest smile and pointed to a LA Zoo pin on his apron. He exclaimed "I love the Zoo! I just took my grandkids there two weeks ago!" He then proceeded to talk about him and his grandkids enjoying their day at the Zoo and how they loved all of the animals, especially the Elephants. After we talked about Billy and our other animals at the Zoo, I finished paying and I was on my way. It's moments like these that I am grateful for. Moments where I can share my love, passion, and knowledge of wildlife with people both in and outside the Zoo. I beg you to reconsider this bill and look at it for what it truly is, another publicity stunt to promote the illogical, emotionally driven views of Animal Rights groups. I thank you for reading this and hope that you let Billy inspire guests for years to come.

Sincerely,

Ben Matsunaga
Education Specialist, Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens

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Billy, LA Zoo's Beloved Elephant

KBWbooks Jan 21, 2018 11:19 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk - Public Use - Clerk Council and Public Services**

Dear City Clerk and all,

Billy, our Asian elephant is incredibly well-cared for by his dedicated keepers. For anyone to suggest otherwise is irresponsible, an insult to his caregivers whose concern and hard work is all about Billy's well-being.

Billy's a healthy Asian elephant who represents his species that are in peril in their natural habitat. Our wonderful LA Zoo is involved
in educating young and old about our responsibility toward saving Asian elephants and Billy's presence is our greatest asset.

To deny zoo visitors the wonderment of seeing Billy is wrong. The LA Zoo and all AZA accredited zoos are doing all they can to save elephants.

And there is no place to send Billy where he would be better off. The Tennessee Sanctuary
has no facility for an Asian male elephant. PAWS sanctuary would have to build one at great cost of which they would first have to raise funds.

Please keep Billy where he is. The LA Zoo is his home. It's where he belongs. No other place will offer him a better home.

Sincerely,
Karen B. Winnick
President, LA Zoo Commission

Visit my new website http://www.karenbwinnick.com/



