

Communication from Public

Name: Robin Bothum

Date Submitted: 03/19/2024 08:21 PM

Council File No: 20-1575

Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is a part of our western heritage.... A heritage we ALL share. Visit a rodeo, ask for a tour, ask for an education. These animals help provide a livelihood for many, while preserving a piece of our heritage. Who would abuse or mistreat something providing that livelihood? These animals are treated better and loved more than many pets are. Protect rodeo and our western way of life!

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 09:50 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am against any ordinance prohibiting any type of rodeo or any type of livestock show.

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Name: Susan Beary
Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 10:08 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: Please don't ban rodeo.

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Name: gbl
Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 06:57 AM
Council File No: 20-1575
Comments for Public Posting: please do not ban rodeos

Communication from Public

Name: Rebecca J Smith

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 07:03 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo animals are well cared for and enjoy their job. If these animals don't have a job they don't have a purpose. When they don't have a purpose people stop having them. That equals to animals going extinct.

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Name: Wade Sankey
Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 07:05 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is an important part of our culture.

Communication from Public

Name: Jamie

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 08:02 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeos have been a part of American culture for centuries. They are seen as a way to celebrate the cowboy lifestyle and the American West. For many people, rodeos are a way to connect with their heritage and traditions. The different rodeo events has the competitor competing with their animal partner. It's amazing to watch the rodeo competitors communicate with their animal partner to compete in their event. The animals are athletes, and they treat them like athletes, and their welfare is probably one of the biggest concerns. The competitors and stock contractors do everything they can to make sure the animals are healthy and happy. The animals themselves and their care costs thousands of dollars. Everyone relies on the animals and want to oepn this world up to others who do not get to experience this lifestyle on a daily basis.

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Name: Patrick McCarry

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 11:23 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support rodeo, for our western heritage and our way of life

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Name: T.R. McCarthy

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 11:27 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo has been a tradition in this country for generations. The animals used in rodeo are carefully cared for by their owners as, not only are they valuable assets, they are also respected by the owners. Stop this PETA insanity. Stand up to them and don't back down to their intimidation. Support our American heritage.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 12:02 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I have been involved in the rodeo business for almost 40 years. From being a contestant to now being an official, judging rodeos. I've seen nothing but professional people that take excellent care of they're animals. I am in favor of western justices stand on this ordinance. Please vote this ordinance down.

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Name: LJ Warner

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 12:11 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I oppose the proposed ban on the sport of Rodeo in the city of Los Angeles. I find it distressing that an elected body of representatives have not done their due diligence in researching all points of view concerning Rodeo and have not taken the time to actually interview those people responsible for the operation of a Rodeo, those people who care for the animals that are in the Rodeo, nor has the sanctioning body for all approved Rodeos been consulted on their terms and conditions that Rodeos must operate under. Currently the livestock at Rodeos have more health checks and daily attendance by a Veterinarian than horses at the race track or animals exhibited at the Los Angeles County Fair. The Rodeo livestock have numerous health checks prior to arriving at a Rodeo, are checked on a daily basis for their condition prior to each event, and if the animal is not found to be physically sound the animal will not be in the competition. The animals in the bucking events are BRED to buck, in much the same way a Thoroughbred or Quarter Horse is bred to race, many of these animals live long lives up to 30+ years, on ranches and farms with large pastures for them to roam in. An animal cannot be forced to buck through pain, electric shock, or any other method that un-knowing persons suggest. As a sport Rodeo teaches competitors to respect, support, and help each other during the competition, unlike some team sports that I no longer watch due to the un-sportsman-like, rude and unruly behavior of participants and spectators. Rodeo also teaches participants and spectators to respect the animals in Rodeos, for without those animals this sport would not enjoy the popularity it currently has. And did anyone on the city council even know that the "World Series" of Rodeo, the National Finals Rodeo, was once held right here in Los Angeles from 1962 to 1964? And it was wildly popular then just as it is now. And is the city council willing to forego the revenue that such events as the PBR offers to the city of Los Angeles.

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Name: JANE PETERSON

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 12:25 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeos are a celebration of skills, traditions, and the deep bond between humans and animals, showcasing the incredible training, care, and respect that participants have for their equine partners and their talents as trained athletes. While concerns for animal welfare are important, it's crucial to differentiate between organizations committed to animal health and performance, and those whose practices might not align with their public stance. The equestrian community, including rodeo participants, deeply understands the value of their animals, not just in terms of performance, but as cherished beings deserving of respect and care. In any discussion about animal welfare, it's essential to base our opinions on comprehensive understanding and facts. Misrepresentation of facts or highlighting selective statistics without context does not contribute to constructive dialogue. For example, concerns raised about organizations like PETA and their handling of animals entrusted to their care need to be part of our broader conversation on animal welfare. Just since 1998, PETA has killed well over 47,000 animals entrusted to their care. This dialogue should be about transparency, accountability, and the shared goal of ensuring the well-being of all animals. Rodeos have evolved, with many implementing rigorous animal welfare standards, showcasing that tradition and animal welfare can go hand in hand.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 12:34 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I totally support rodeo in LA County. My husband and I love rodeo, the animals used are called animal athletes for the way they are bred & cared for their entire lives. Many go on to live on ranches where they are put out to stud. We're now reduced to watch rodeo on television. Bring back rodeo! You allow horse racing where the animals are bread for speed that results in weak legs. They are put down at an alarming rate when they inevitably break a leg.

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Name: Ethel Harris

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 12:34 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is our western heritage. It is not detrimental to the animals which are taken very well care, they are used for 8 minutes each performance of a rodeo. They have great vet care. Peta needs to stop killing animals so we will take their words of saving animals seriously, until then they are just a mouthpiece set on destroying our heritage.

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Name: Karen K Taylor
Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 12:40 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: Support Rodeo and the Western Way of Life.

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Name: Donald

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 12:42 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: We have enjoyed Rodeo's all our lives. The participants work hard at their efforts, and always show care and concern and put the animals first. Been to many Rodeos for years and have never seen any animal neglect. We have animals, and know what healthy and well cared for animals look like. Our family not only raises animals, but show them in competitions locally, and statewide. Horses are shown all over the United States. Great family memories. PETA, on the other hand has a bad reputation for pushing a false and fake agenda. My wife and our family support any and all Rodeos. Donald, Linda, Terri, Marsha and Darcy.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 12:54 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I fully support rodeo. Being around animals builds responsible, empathetic humans. Too many urbanites never get the opportunity to see any form of livestock anymore, there's kids that don't even know what a cow looks like, or how big a horse truly is. To remove another opportunity for urbanites to see these events, which are based on the history of our nation, would be a terrible loss. Already, circuses are gone, taking with them elephants and big cats. Sometimes, that's the only opportunity a child might have had to see these animals. Don't take away rodeo too.

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Name: Sally

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 12:56 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Been to many local rodeos as well as across the state, a great family event. The animals are always very healthy, and are extremely well treated. Would hate to see anything happen to Rodeos. Leave them alone and choose a real battle... Sally and family

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Name: Eileen Moore

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 11:07 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeos are a part of who we are. These animals are well cared for and are not abused. PETA is overstepping, just like the Federal Government, trying to control what we can & cannot do!

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Name: Taylor

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 01:08 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please do not ban rodeo in Southern California. Rodeo athletes love and care for their animal athletes like members of their family. We take care of our horses and cattle better than we take care of ourselves. I know my horses love to run barrels as much as I do. Please do not ban rodeo in Southern California.

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Name: Jerry Griffin

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 01:55 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: How do you think California got to be there. The western people opened it up. We are trying to keep that alive. Pay attention people. Do not make this mistake. Jerry Griffin Idaho

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Name: Stephen Hollingsworth

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 02:29 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: The attack on western lifestyle and our livestock is personal. Under all guises this is nothing more than an attempt to destroy political dissents' livelihood. It's well known most of the individuals seeking to ban this are anti farmer and rancher. City folk. Do not bam this. This is people's livelihood and culture. How dare you.

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Name: Quinnette Gravois

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 02:37 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeos are more American than apple pie. They have been a way for the cowboys to exhibit their skills for public enjoyment. There is plenty of excitement for all ages to enjoy and it is one of the few things left in our society that we can comfortably go to and not be subjected to nudity or offensive language. If someone objects to rodeos then the simple answer is not go. Just because a few object, the vast majority should not be denied their rights.

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Name: Dawn T

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 02:38 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support Rodeo and the western way of life.

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Name: Kyle Keithley

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 03:21 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is great for the kids, animals, and the crowds plus contestants. Don't lose sight of the revenue it brings into the host cities.

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Name: Amy

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 03:21 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm in support of the Rodeo. It's a long standing American tradition..... which helps youth and children in inner cities learn about this tradition..... that was once a way of life for many.

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Name: Lisa

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 03:04 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: The Rodeo family takes great pride in their livestock. Their livelihood depends on it. You can obviously tell by the condition of the animals they are healthy

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Name: Mandy Linquist
Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 03:59 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: 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. Thank you for registering my opinion and considering all sides/parties.

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Name: Kellie Corrigan
Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 04:01 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: Keep our American heritage!

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 04:04 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo livestock is one of the most pampered groups of bovine and equine animals in the United states. No cowboy or cowgirl would ever intentionally harm one of the contesting animals.

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Name: Marsha Farley

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 04:17 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am ??per cent in favor of the rodeos. I will stand behind them and support them. The animals are treated with respect and treated very well

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Name: Michael H Watkins

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 04:26 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I seriously nothing wrong with rodeos and they are fun to go to and the animal are well treated ,I have gone to rodeos since I was 8 or so. 71 years.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 04:31 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a veterinarian and someone with extensive experience with horses, cattle, and rodeos, I can confidently say that rodeo is not a form of abuse. While there are some outliers (as with anything), the vast majority of cowboys and cowgirls hold the wellbeing of the animals extremely high. Many owners form strong connections to the animals and care for them deeply. Furthermore, these animals are expensive, high performing athletes that serve as an important source of income. Therefore, everyone involved in rodeo has both emotional and financial motivation to treat the animals well. Spending some time behind the scenes at a rodeo and speaking with the contestants and stock contractors will make this point evident. Given this information, it should come as no surprise that injuries to animals in rodeo are very rare.

Communication from Public

Name: Lynda Percival

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 04:32 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Do not ban rodeo. Rodeo is a lifestyle for many. And in spite of many of the opponents claims, roughstock is treated very well. Better than most people's pets.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 03:45 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I have been involved with rodeo since before high school, but involved in high school, college rodeo and bull riding. I have supported rodeos in our local communities of Santa Maria and the Salinas rodeos. I have moved over to ranch sorting and penning which are events supporting the ranching life style we live in the central coast of California. I have many friend in the rodeo industry and support their life style 100 percent and it would be a big disservice for your city council to vote rodeo out of existence because of animal rights individuals; who are manufacturing their lies. Again, I support rodeo and the other parts of team ropers, ranch sorting and penning of the rodeo life style.

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Name: Craschen

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 04:50 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello, I am writing in support of Rodeos and hoping you will do the same. Please do not take the words of a certain group of people who claim there is animal abuse. You are in an elected position of power. I hope before you vote on this matter you would do your due diligence and learn about the pure and respectful treatment of the rodeo stock. I encourage you to reach out to the rodeo stock contractors or attend a rodeo yourself to see and learn firsthand what is true...and what is being told as a lie. I encourage you to learn the history of each event and how it began as a way of life...for survival...not just people but the animal itself. Some of the events were created to doctor and help an animal that is sick or hurting...not to mistreat them. Please consider the source of those who say the treatment of the animals is unethical...unless you see for yourself that this is true.

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Name: Ethan Kelly Cantrell

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 05:07 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support the rodeo and all horse related activities.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 04:51 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo has been part of the western and/or rural way of life for decades and the animals are loved and cared for better than many people would imagine. The irony is that the majority of people wanting to ban rodeo most likely have a dog that is cooped up living in an apartment or crate and it only gets to run and play when its owner takes it to a park or on a walk. In my opinion, that is cruel to the animal. I believe that dog ownership should only be allowed if the owner has a yard or somewhere for the dog to run and play outside. However; my opinion probably comes from the way I was raised and my way of life. My dogs have room to run and play, etc. However; I would never take initiative to ban dog/animal ownership in urban areas and impose my views and way of thinking on those people who have an urban way of life, even though I may think it's cruel to their animal. There are many different cultures and ways of life in America and everyone should respect each others views, and way of life, even though it may be different than your own. I would understand if there was harm being done, but I would like to reiterate that the animals in rodeo are loved and cared for. They are athletes, and would not be able to perform if they weren't at their best. Rodeo is a job for many people, and it is their livelihood, and the way they feed their family.. Therefore; the animals must be at their best. They have the best hay and feed a man can buy, in addition to everything else they could ever need for a happy life.

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Name: Sherri Wagerman

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 06:37 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing in support of rodeo. We are a rodeo family, and it's been good for my children and grandchildren. It's also part of American and Hispanic culture. Misinformation is being spread by animal rights extremists that would have you believe that rodeo is abusive to animals. Nothing could be further from the truth. These animals are valued by their owners and are treasured and well cared for. Some of them even have their own followers! It is not in the interest of anyone involved in rodeo to abuse their animal partners. You will be damaging American and Hispanic culture from at least the last century if you eliminate rodeo. We pray before every rodeo, we sing the National Anthem and honor our country. How dare you???

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 06:56 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: You won't find animals more well cared for than rodeo animals. Not only are they well cared for but they are bred to do this job. There is nothing harmful being done. A sport created by the very people that come west and settled your lands.

Communication from Public

Name: Nancy Gindhart

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 07:12 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeo is a sport that has been around a long time, in order to win the animals are our partners and in order to do well they must be healthy and well taken care of. All of these animals are now even more expensive which is another reason to take even better care of them.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 07:14 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Save American way of life rodeo has been around longer than most people have been alive.

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Name: Brenda Frieze
Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 07:54 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: We support rodeo 100%

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 07:58 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing in support of the sport of rodeo. Please vote in favor of allowing rodeos.

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Name: Fred & Billie Williams

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 08:08 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Council members, we are a five generational family who have ranched, rodeoed, and cared for livestock all our lives. We depend on them for our livelihood and would be shortsighted if we ever abused anything that helped put food on our tables. These animals also give us a great deal of pleasure and love. If you have never experienced the birth of a new born calf or colt then you have missed a true miracle. The bonding of mother and child in that instant uplifts even the most stoic heart. Rodeo for us is also a way in which we find many new friends and share the joy of ownership of some of the finest animals God has made. It also gives the younger generation opportunities to learn about responsibility and integrity in work. This life we live is a blessing and can not imagine any other. Please make your decision on quality information and not on misinformation provided by those who have agendas and never had real life experiences. Thank you for your consideration. The Families of Williams, McAlary, Kygar, Campbell

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Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 08:24 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Animals in the sport of Rodeo, are adored, taken very well care of, because they wouldn't perform if they were abused. You would never abuse your lively hood.

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Comments for Public Posting: Keep rodeo going!!

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 08:51 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rodeos have been a cultural event in the US and Mexico. The backbone of this area, California has been the ranchos. You by not allowing the ability to attend these events you are ripping our past from us. I rode Californio for more than 45 years, highlighting the Mexican heritage and you are tearing this from our next generations.

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Name: Andrea Haines

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 09:21 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Animals at the rodeo are taken better care of than some children. The breeders and caretakers of these animals spend a lot of time and money providing proper care for these animals. The opposed do not live, nor are educated on this care.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 09:22 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: IN SUPPORT OF RODEO

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Name: Shelby Bates

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 09:32 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am in support of rodeo! Keep rodeo alive in California.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 07:42 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Pro rodeo!!!

Communication from Public

Name: Jason Solomon

Date Submitted: 03/20/2024 10:58 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: We must keep the rodeo alive and well. It has been around for generations and should still be here when my Grandchildren have Grandchildren!