

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 06:12 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1575

**Comments for Public Posting:** Rodeo is a coming together of skills used on ranches. Ranches are such an important part of American life. Rodeo celebrates that life. It is incredible that anyone feels that rodeos should be banned. Stand up and be counted!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** John Varian  
**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 09:21 PM  
**Council File No:** 20-1575  
**Comments for Public Posting:** Rodeo and a cowboy lifestyle is my first amendment right  
freedom of cultural expression do not Rodeo in LA county

## Communication from Public

**Name:** John Varian

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 09:23 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1575

**Comments for Public Posting:** Rodeo, which is loved by million does not harm animals and should not be banned in LA county or anywhere

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Holly king

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 09:49 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1575

**Comments for Public Posting:** I would ask that you and your council DO NOT BAN RODEO OR ANY EQUINE, LIVESTOCK VENUE. The western way of life is very important and we treat all animals and people for that matter humanely. I would ask that you might speak to George Veater. He is a well-known investment broker in California and is a well-known cowboy that would certainly talk with you and demonstrate that we don't harm animals. Thank you for your time  
Holly

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Nina King

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 06:36 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1575

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please ban rodeo in Los Angeles because of the animal cruelty involved! The veterinarian Peggy W. Larson wrote, "Based upon my extensive large animal experience, I have concluded that rodeo events are inherently cruel."

## **Communication from Public**

**Name:** Samuel Cowley  
**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 06:39 PM  
**Council File No:** 20-1575  
**Comments for Public Posting:** Los Angeles should ban rodeo because it is animal cruelty!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Matt K

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 06:47 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** The Los Angeles city council should ban rodeos! Matthew Scully, in his 2002 book, "DOMINION," stated, "If ever there were a completely gratuitous abuse of animals, and often baby animals at that, all done for the sheer thrill and bravado of it, it is rodeo." Scully was once a speechwriter for President George W. Bush.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Matthew & Christina  
**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 06:51 PM  
**Council File No:** 20-1575  
**Comments for Public Posting:** We wholeheartedly agree with the Los Angeles rodeo ban. One source states, "It is right that animal advocates are drawing attention to rodeo. The animals used in it are unwilling participants. They are frequently subjected to intense pain, many are intentionally injured, and sometimes they die."  
<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2022/jun/12/rodeo-is-cruel-and-abusive-its-time-for-new-zealand-to-ban-it>



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**Name:** Christian Animal Rights Association

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 06:57 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Our ministry encourages the council to follow through with the Los Angeles Rodeo Ban, which aligns with Christian principles. Proverbs 12:10 specifically condemns animal cruelty and Genesis 49:5–6 harshly condemns hurting animals for entertainment. Our ministry very much supports this rodeo ban and encourages the council to continue its great work in this matter!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Greg Estrada

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 06:59 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I'm a fifth generation Californian whose family settled in the 1848. Ranching and the western way of life has always been something my family has been involved in and have supported. There are some who know little about our way of life but are the first to oppose it. I can assure you the livestock involved in the western way of life and rodeo are cared for in a very humane way and in many cases better than one's pet. I ask the City Council to not take away one of the western ways of life that this beautiful State was founded on.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Sam C  
**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 07:01 PM  
**Council File No:** 20-1575  
**Comments for Public Posting:** Please ban rodeo in Los Angeles! The RSPCA states, "All rodeo events will cause stress, fear and pain as well as injure animals for the sake of sport and entertainment. Subjecting cattle and horses to these experiences is not justified."  
<https://kb.rspca.org.au/knowledge-base/what-are-the-animal-welfare-issues-with-rodeos/>

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 07:50 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** To the City Council of Los Angeles, California: Please vote NO on the proposed ban on animal exhibition activities. These events are part of our American Heritage and should be respected rather than cancelled. Thank you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** George McCloskey

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 02:12 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1575

**Comments for Public Posting:** I strongly oppose the ordinance cited as Council File Number 20-1575 pending in the Personnel, Audits, and Animal Welfare Committee, which defines “rodeos” and prohibits the use of certain practices, techniques, and devices in any rodeo held in the City of Los Angeles. The proposed ordinance is based on false and misleading information. Rodeo, as it is commonly practiced in the United States and California, does not inflict injury, pain, or suffering to participating animals. It is a humane display of the care that is afforded these animals, in every way. The abuse described in the proposed ordinance simply does not occur in rodeos. It is critical that elected leaders make policy based on accurate and complete information, not based on false or misleading claims designed to promote a radical agenda. The information used to justify this proposed ordinance is false and will not only deprive the citizens of the City of Los Angeles of a fun and wholesome activity, it wrongly disparages an entire community.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Gay L Rossow

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 02:31 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1575

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please don't ban rodeo or its events. This is our heritage and should be celebrated in this country!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Karin Campbell

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 03:53 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1575

**Comments for Public Posting:** To the Los Angeles City Council, As you know yourselves, millions of people all over this country enjoy the western lifestyle. That lifestyle includes bareback bronco riding, saddle bronco riding, bull riding, calf roping, steer wrestling, team roping and any other activity that involves physically wrestling an animal to the ground, roping an animal, roping an animal or attempting to ride or remain mounted on a bucking animal. This lifestyle has been a strong part of our culture and we would be losing our culture as well as the hours of enjoyment and entertainment they provide to millions of people, not to mention cutting off our children from the opportunity to experience these events and to learn about animals in the process. Banning these events would start a domino effect that will wipe out animal centric events nationwide. This will impoverish all of our lives and especially those of our children. I oppose this ban and strongly urge you to say no to this ban. Respectfully yours, Karin Campbell

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Alan Douglass

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 04:28 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Why do you need to keep going after an event that has been part of California history since the 1700's? Get rid of PETA which is a menace to society and stay focused on the many real pertinent issues that is affecting LA. Allowing rodeo's is not one of them as it is a positive , unlike crime, drugs, and homeless people who you think are more important then citizens.



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Dawn Poston

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 11:24 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I support Rodeo and other events involving animals. Please do not let a relatively small group of rabid activists end the original American sport. Please do not ban rodeo or horse sports. I am a 74 year old woman who has spent a lifetime involved in horse sports and who has a great appreciation for the western way of life. Be trendsetters, shut them down completely. Thank you.  
Dawn Poston

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Barbara Schultz

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 11:26 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Keep the Rodeo! Professional rodeos have strict rules to ensure animals are treated humanely and properly, have a positive impact on local economies, preserve the western heritage of America and allow those who may not have the opportunity to get up close to livestock the opportunity to learn.

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**Name:**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please don't ban rodeos in Las Angeles.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Joe Hertzog

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 12:07 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am in support of rodeo and livestock events. They are an indispensable part of American culture. The agriculture industry as a whole cannot go by the wayside. People of all ages and backgrounds benefit from the agriculture education that livestock show, rodeos and horse shows provide. There are also the financial impact that these venues provide. They are beneficial through ticket sales, vendor sales and scholarships. As well as the economic benefits to the community. Rodeos, horse shows and livestock shows are for everyone. The people involved will enthusiastically share their time and energy to educate the public about their passion for agriculture. The L.A. City Council needs to end the ban on rodeos horse shows and livestock shows.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Damaris Johnson's  
**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 12:58 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** I'm writing this note in full support of RODEOs and all other livestock activities

## Communication from Public

**Name:** K. Evans

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 01:05 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I urge a no vote on any ordinance banning rodeo, horse events, or livestock events. Rodeo is part of the history of California. California is the birthplace of many horse industries. Humans and livestock have coexisted for thousands of years. Personally, I have had horses my entire life and have been involved in many disciplines. Horses and humans go together and are mutually beneficial. There is no better way to raise children or spend time with friends and family. Please honor tradition and preserve all equestrian and livestock events, especially rodeo.!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Eugene Johnson  
**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 01:06 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** I believe all young people should have an opportunity to experience interaction with animals Especially to be able to complete in Rodeos Ropings horse shows and livestock shows

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 01:43 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am NOT in support of the ban on rodeo activities. I believe that the animals are treated with kindness and compassion and live long and healthy lives. They are treated like athletes by stock contractors.



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Lindsey Rae

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 01:46 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Rodeo stock are treated like royalty. When done correctly, the events are extremely humane and safe for the animals and people.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Shelley Mitchell

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 01:54 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Rodeos are demonstrations of what happens on real ranches. To brand and doctor cattle, you have to rope them and get them on the ground. To make a horse rideable, it might try to buck you off. These events showcase what it takes to tend to large herds of big, heavy animals. It is part of America's history. There are so many regulations and welfare checks to ensure the animals are taken care of. Rodeo participants don't want to do anything to hurt their animals, if for no other reason than to keep them uninjured and able to keep competing at high levels. So many people have no clue where their food comes from or how it grows or is raised. People that come to watch rodeos actually do get to see a real bovine -- the LA fair took those away, so a rodeo is about the only place you can see a bovine in LA. The bulls that are used for bucking are trained to buck, and only practice a few minutes a day. For that, they get very well taken care of. Those bulls can be worth millions of dollars. If LA bans rodeos, you will be doing a disservice to agriculture literacy, cut your tourism revenue and event revenue, and pretty much make LA the laughing stock of a huge industry.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Nan

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I support horse and livestock events They are an important part of California's heritage and beautiful to see No ban on these events TY!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** MARK

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 01:55 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Stop banning things that you don't like. Keep rodeo available to people who want to participate or view it.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Rod Reid

**Date Submitted:** 11/11/2024 02:02 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** As a farmer that raises cattle and has an appreciation for the welfare of these animals. Please DO NOT ban rodeo events. I have been around bucking bulls for many years. Just like your pet loves to run and play, bucking bulls love to buck. There is so much disinformation on how these animals are treated please get to the truth from someone who works with them every day. Do not listen to those who have no experience caring for these animals.