

Communication from Public

Name: Brooke Smith

Date Submitted: 04/25/2025 07:41 AM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: NO CUTS TO ANIMAL SERVICES. 62 layoffs (largely essential positions) to a department that was already severely understaffed. In your budget letter the department is saying they will need to close 3 shelters (West LA, West Valley, & Harbor)! THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. To cut \$6.4 million from the already troubled department. AT A TIME WHEN WE ARE ALREADY IN A CRISIS IN ALL LA ANIMAL SHELTERS!!! The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) proposed budget for fiscal year 2025-26 is \$2.14 billion!!!! This is outrageous. "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated" Mahatma Gandhi.

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Name: Berto Morfin

Date Submitted: 04/25/2025 08:11 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: The city needs to make a targeted spay/neuter investment to reach more animals. We have a moral obligation to protect those that can't protect themselves.

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Name: Kim

Date Submitted: 04/24/2025 07:37 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I wonder if any funding could come from the homeless funding/grants, especially since a large number of our pet loving homeless community have pets! These cats (and dogs) are their companions, their guardians, their best friend, their family! Their last connection with love and humanity!

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Name: Sinne andersen

Date Submitted: 04/24/2025 10:30 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I urge every council person to make spay and neuter a priority for Los Angeles. The average pet owner cannot afford to spay or neuter their pets and the belief they can sell puppies and kittens to make money often entices them to do so. The spay and neuter law is not being enforced . Between the lack of affordability and lack of enforcement the streets in poorer neighborhoods are over run with cats and dogs . This is inhumane and a health and safety hazard to citizens . LAAS needs more funding , more staffing not less. I'd rather live with pot holes than know hundreds of pet animals will die today. Low cost or free, easy to obtain spay and neuter and enforcement is the ONLY way to reduce the number of animals needing shelter or roaming the streets.

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Name: Roxanne Baker-Bernard

Date Submitted: 04/24/2025 11:55 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE fund animal spay and neuter programs as well as LA county shelters. These animals are voiceless members of our community who rely on us to ensure we are not needlessly euthanizing innocent and healthy animals. We are the fourth largest economy in the world. California can do better!

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Name: Dana Braziel-Solovy

Date Submitted: 04/25/2025 12:27 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing as a concerned and invested resident of Los Angeles to strongly advocate for the continued city funding of Luxe Paws and their community-based spay and neuter program. This initiative is not only vital to the well-being of our city's animals but also a key part of building safer, cleaner, and more compassionate neighborhoods for all Angelenos. Prevention Is More Cost-Effective Than Reaction. Investing in proactive spay and neuter programs significantly reduces the burden on city shelters. Each unspayed female cat can lead to hundreds of kittens over just a few years. Without intervention, many of these animals end up on the streets, in overcrowded shelters, or worse. Luxe Paws helps stop this cycle before it begins. By preventing thousands of unwanted litters, their work saves the city hundreds of thousands of dollars in potential shelter costs, euthanasia, and public health interventions. It's fiscally responsible and humane.

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Name: Michelle Naden

Date Submitted: 04/24/2025 10:10 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: How the city is handling the animal situation is cruel and necessary. Low cost spay/neuter and trap/neuter/return methods are proven to work -- there's no excuse for a city as large as Los Angeles to not be supporting this. Why should the nonprofits and private citizens and companies be funding so much of this. We can get the animal population under control in a few years by funding this properly. The current overcrowded shelter / high euthanasia situation is a disgrace and a disservice and is clearly not working. Please continue to fund these efforts and increase that funding.

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Name: Ana Perez

Date Submitted: 04/25/2025 12:15 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please don't cut funding for the animal shelters. They need us and our taxes should be directed towards what we want. What would you be doing to the helpless animals?

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Name:

Date Submitted: 04/25/2025 01:17 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a networker and supporter of the animals at the SLA animal shelter for over 13 years now I have seen firsthand the consequences of animals, not being spayed and neutered! The cost of spay and neutering a dog or a cat has become financially out of reach for most residents of Los Angeles. A good example of why funding is desperately needed is a dog named Furry Bear that came in to the SLA animal Shelter the beginning of this week... she was pregnant with a note attached to her neck, stating that she was accidentally pregnant... noting when her last vaccination was and asking the shelter not to kill their dog. When her four day hold was up, she was waiting in the rolling heart to have a abort/spay and she started giving birth! She had 11 puppies only eight survived! If free or low cost space/neuter was available to her former owner this situation could've been avoided. Underage kittens are brought in to the shelters daily and if a foster is not found by 5 PM they are put to sleep! As a lifelong Los Angeles resident and taxpayer, I implore you to make funding for affordable and free spay and neuter programs available to all the residents of Los Angeles! Thank you!

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Name: Laura

Date Submitted: 04/25/2025 06:26 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Closing 3 animal shelters is a TERRIBLE idea! They are already at capacity and unable to keep up with the needs of homeless animals in our city with the current amount we have. Think of ALL THE ANIMALS THAT WILL BE KILLED because of this :(Also, cutting out PR and adoption events will only make things worse. How do you expect to clear the shelters and find adoptive families without promotion and adoption events?!