

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** When 23-0452, "Spay Neuter Voucher Program / Monetary Value Adjustment / Subsidized Veterinary Services" comes up for a vote, please ask for an amendment to the committee's recommendation, so that rabbits are included in the voucher increases. Please ask that Alternative 1 in the CAO's report be implemented for the "free" vouchers for dogs, cats, AND rabbits. Rabbits reproduce at rates FAR exceeding those of cats and dogs. From a cost-benefit perspective, the investment in rabbit neuters is a no-brainer. Veterinary hospitals cannot break even with rabbit spay/neuter voucher reimbursement. As a result, no clinics are currently accepting the free vouchers for rabbits for members of the public. This defeats the primary purpose of the vouchers, which is to help alleviate pet overpopulation and assist low-income Angelenos.