

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Council Members, Please immediately implement, fully, the increased reimbursement rates for the Los Angeles City spay and neuter voucher program. The city is facing a severe shortage of spay and neuter for dogs and cats. The shelters are overcrowded and euthanasia is the result. Expanding spay and neuter services is the most effective strategy to address this crisis, however reimbursement rates have remained unchanged over the last ten years. While the Council voted in 2024 to increase the rate, the City Administrative Officer has not approved the increase. City law requires all dogs and cats over four months old to be spayed or neutered, yet many owners cannot afford the expense, and unless the City steps in to support the families and rescue organizations the problem will only get worse. Implement fully the voucher rate increase, immediately improving animal welfare across the City, stemming the rising tide of tragic overcrowding shelters, stray populations, and euthanasia. Thanks for the opportunity to present my comments, Craig Louis City Tax Payer and Property Owner