

ARTS, PARKS, LIBRARIES, AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a review and report on the interpretation and enforcement of Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Article 3, Section 53.15.1, for equine licensing, boarding permits, operations, and related activities.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Rodriguez – Lee):

1. INSTRUCT the Department of Animal Services (DAS), with the assistance of the Office of the City Attorney, to review LAMC Article 3, Section 53.15.1 and report on:
 - a. The current interpretation and enforcement practices.
 - b. Any procedural or administrative changes undertaken since January 1, 2024.
 - c. The basis for any expanded or newly-applied definitions, including “livery,” “animal acts,” and equine identification requirements.
 - d. Recommendations to establish due-process procedures for equine-related citations and permit actions.
 - e. Steps necessary to align equine policies with consistent and equitable enforcement standards.
2. DIRECT the DAS to suspend the issuance and collection of equine-related fines, citations, and boarding permit revocations, effective January 1, 2024, until LAMC Article 3, Section 53.15.1 is fully reviewed.
3. INSTRUCT the DAS to hold public hearings, in coordination with the Los Angeles Equine Advisory Committee, to provide outreach and education to equestrians and to solicit input regarding necessary regulatory clarifications or updates.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At its meeting held on January 27, 2026, your Arts, Parks, Libraries, and Community Enrichment Committee considered Motion (Rodriguez – Lee) relative to instructing the DAS, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to review LAMC Article 3, Section 53.15.1 and report on the interpretation and enforcement practices for equine licensing, boarding permits, operations, and related activities; and recommendations to establish due-process procedures for equine-related citations and permit actions, and to align equine policies with consistent and equitable enforcement standards. The Motion also directs the DAS to suspend the issuance and collection of equine-related fines, citations, and boarding permit revocations that were effective as of January 1, 2024, until the respective LAMC Section is fully reviewed; and, to hold public hearings to solicit input and provide outreach and education to equestrians. After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee approved the recommendations contained in the Motion, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ARTS, PARKS, LIBRARIES, AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
JURADO:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	YES
NAZARIAN:	YES

AXB
25-1475_rpt_APLCE_01-27-26

-NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL COUNCIL ACTS-