

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 05/13/2026 04:57 AM

**Council File No:** 26-0600

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please protect all the innocent animals who cannot speak for themselves

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Rylan Downs

**Date Submitted:** 05/12/2026 11:55 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Hi, my name is Rylan and I'm a constituent in Glassell Park/CD14, I am posting this as your constituent to urge you to fully restore our city's canine enrichment contract with Dogs Playing for Life. Without it, we cannot be a humane LA. This isn't just about the animals — it's about who we are. For example. Maybe decrease the \$37.8 billion discretionary budget for the Department of Justice (DOJ)?? Save some dogs?? Sounds reasonable! I am just saying. Thank you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Tae Hee Chung

**Date Submitted:** 05/12/2026 04:24 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Los Angeles City Clerk, I am writing to urge the City Council to advance meaningful reforms to Measure ULA — reforms that fix what is broken while preserving what voters intended. The evidence is clear that the measure as written is causing serious harm in three ways, and the committee has an opportunity to fix all three before they get worse. 1. It is blocking the construction of new homes — including affordable ones. Measure ULA taxes the sale of newly built apartment buildings the same way it taxes windfall profits from properties that have sat untouched for decades. That is a mistake that punishes homebuilders at a moment when we desperately need more housing. Research shows that the measure is causing an estimated 1,900 fewer new apartments to be permitted in LA every year as a result, including at least 168 fewer affordable homes annually — more than ULA's revenues from taxing new construction can replace. The fix is straightforward: exempt newly built homes and commercial buildings from the tax for the first 15 to 20 years following Certificate of Occupancy. This would remove the penalty on new construction while having only a modest impact on overall revenues. 2. It is driving investment out of Los Angeles. Since Measure ULA took effect, sales of high-value properties in the City of Los Angeles have fallen roughly 50 percent above and beyond the drop experienced in the rest of the county. Every city countywide faces the same high interest rates and construction costs — this yawning gap between the City of LA and its neighbors is a direct result of the tax. Investors and developers who have the choice are simply moving outside the city limits, leading to less investment in new homes, jobs, and businesses in LA. Lowering the overall tax rate imposed upon non-single-family properties — apartment buildings, commercial properties, and mixed-use developments — would reduce this market distortion and keep investment in Los Angeles. 3. It is costing the public more than it raises. Every time a property sells, it gets reassessed at its new market value — and that means more property tax revenue for the City, the County, and our public schools. When Measure ULA discourages sales, it also prevents those reassessments from happening. The result is a smaller property tax base for everyone. Research from Harvard estimates that for every dollar Measure ULA raises, the region loses

between 63 cents and \$1.38 in property tax revenue. In other words, the measure could well be destroying more public revenue than it creates — a bad deal for a city that is facing a structural budget deficit and a school district that is struggling to keep class sizes small and pay teachers a living wage. Fortunately, these flaws within ULA are fixable. This subcommittee has the power to put forward a better-designed measure for the November ballot — one that mitigates damage to our property tax base and supports rather than undermines the construction of desperately needed new homes. I urge you to move forward with meaningful reform. Thank you for your time and your service to our city. Tae Hee Chung [tchung0527@gmail.com](mailto:tchung0527@gmail.com) Los Angeles, California 90012

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Adam F

**Date Submitted:** 05/12/2026 06:46 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am writing to urge the Los Angeles City Council to fully fund the LA Animal Services Department at its requested level of \$31.8 million for 2026 - 27. I ask you to restore funding for dog and cat food, medical supplies, spay/neuter vouchers, and the Dogs Playing For Life program, and to approve the historic Best Friends Animal Society and ASPCA partnership. These investments protect animals and our communities. Please do the right thing.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jessica

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please: -increase the proposed spay/neuter funding by at least \$1 million. This investment would support 10,000–13,000 additional surgeries annually and is one of the only real solutions to the shelter overcrowding crisis. -RESTORE the slashed funding for: Animal Food budget: Increase from the proposed \$0 to \$200,000 Medical Supplies funding: Increase from the proposed \$48,968 to \$388,591 Dogs Playing for Life (DPFL) Restore \$1.53 Million for the final year of the contract. The program is one of the only ways shelter dogs get enrichment and structured time out of kennels. -Please restore the Los Angeles Police Department's Animal Cruelty Task Force. This is a critical intervention for horrific cases of animal cruelty and neglect. These are critical, necessary, life-saving services the animals we need. We need to be a regional and national leader in animal welfare and do better for the animals who are suffering gravely and dying. Hundreds of thousands of us care deeply about the shelter animals. Please do the right thing!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Ashley H  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please reconsider budget and help animals in Los Angeles

## Communication from Public

**Name:** myra

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**Comments for Public Posting:** "It is beyond past due for the City to restore this critical unit. The proposed budget already includes more than 500 new LAPD positions, and we are urging Los Angeles to dedicate positions to reestablishing a dedicated Animal Cruelty Task Force. Protecting animals from torture and abuse must once again be treated as a serious public safety priority. Los Angeles cannot claim to value public safety while allowing animal cruelty crimes to go unchecked.

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**Name:** George I

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Carol J Mathews

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**Name:** Judy Coller

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