

Communication from Public

Name: Zane Galambos

Date Submitted: 05/19/2026 10:23 PM

Council File No: 26-0600

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Zane Galambos and I am a student at Venice High School, an avid surfer, founder and president of the Venice Surf Team, and a Junior Lifeguard. I support keeping Costal Care+ as part of the proposed budget. I believe that keeping Costal Care+ matters greatly because it allows Los Angeles to keep its beaches clean without negatively affecting the urban areas of coastal districts. Keeping the beaches clean is appreciated by people all over LA, as well as tourists. It's also important for coastal and wildlife protection, which is one of the most important initiatives in today's world with the continued endangerment of species around our country. Our coastal communities are already stressed, especially with storm drains that lead directly to the ocean which negatively impacts the health of our beaches every time a storm comes and removing the Coastal Care+ team will lead to disastrous outcomes for the health of our beautiful beaches and their wildlife.

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Name: William Stoddard

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Comments for Public Posting: Subject: Support Funding for the Controller's Audit and Fraud, Waste & Abuse Unit – District 5 Resident Dear Los Angeles City Council Members, My name is William Stoddard, and I am a resident of Council District 5. I am writing to strongly urge Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky to vote in favor of fully funding the Controller's audit functions and the Fraud, Waste, and Abuse unit in the upcoming fiscal year's budget. Los Angeles taxpayers deserve strong, independent oversight of our city's spending. Adequate funding for the Controller's office is essential to identify and prevent waste, root out fraud, and ensure that every dollar is used effectively to deliver services to residents. Cutting or underfunding these critical accountability functions would weaken transparency and erode public trust at a time when fiscal responsibility is more important than ever. I respectfully demand that Councilmember Yaroslavsky support robust funding for the Controller's audit and fraud, waste, and abuse unit so that our city can operate with greater integrity and efficiency. Thank you for your time and service to the people of Los Angeles. I look forward to seeing strong support for these oversight measures in the final budget. Sincerely, William Stoddard District 5 Resident?

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Comments for Public Posting: I cannot begin to express the depravity and abuse going on for dogs in "homeless" encampments throughout Los Angeles but in particular in skid row. Vouchers for neutering and spaying is only 1 part of the bigger picture. The people in these encampments are on dangerous drugs. What is being done in terms of removing animals from their care or do they get a pass to abuse/neglect dogs. The budget needs to include funding for personnel to be activated in anti animal cruelty/rescue operations on the daily. It's really out of control. There's dog fighting, drug testing and out of control breeding for monetary purposes. Step up and do the right thing with the budget and also uphold laws

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Name: Isabella Niven

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Comments for Public Posting: This is a written comment submitted by Social Compassion in Legislation, a leading political advocacy group founded in 2007 to promote legislation that saves and protects animals in California. With regards to LA's budget and finances (Item #1), SCIL urges the city to consider the following issues: According to California's Health and Safety Code Section 122383, pets must be provided with nutritious food in quantities and at intervals suitable for that pet. LA's budget must not restrict funding to LA animal shelters, because shelters currently struggle to acquire nutritious pet food necessary for their animals. These resources are especially critical during the current pet overpopulation crisis that shelters across Los Angeles face. LA's budget must help expand spay and neuter support across LA shelters. According to California's Food and Agriculture Code Sections 30503 and 31751.3, no animal shelter, animal control agency, rescue group, or humane society shall sell or adopt out a dog or cat that has not been spayed or neutered. With this mandate, LA's shelters need financial support to comply with this California law. This law is crucial to manage the current severe pet overpopulation crisis that forces California shelters to euthanize healthy animals. Lastly, SCIL recommends that the LA City Council consider allocating funds for an animal cruelty task force. Between the years of 2017 to 2024, there was an average of 148.5 felony arrests for animal cruelty every year in California. Just this year, over 300 dogs and cats were rescued from an animal neglect situation in LA County, but only after the Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control received complaints from nearby residents for years. Due to the size of LA, a task force is needed to adequately address animal cruelty and neglect incidents that occur across the city. There is a well studied link between violence against animals and violence against humans, meaning that the general public is also harmed if abusers are not brought to justice. Without a task force, animals and humans will continue to suffer from abuse. In conclusion, we urge the LA City Council to allocate the city's budget (1) to support LA animal shelters so pets can be provided with proper feed in compliance with California's Health and Safety Code Section 122383, (2) to expand spay and neuter programs in compliance with California's Food and Agriculture Code Sections 30503 and 31751.3, and (3) to establish an animal cruelty task force. Thank

you for your consideration.

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Name: Raquel Ibarra

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Comments for Public Posting: Subject line: Request to Fund RepresentLA at \$3 million in FY 26-27 Dear Councilmembers, My name is Raquel Ibarra. I am a social worker, educator, and policy associate at the California Women's Law Center, a Legal Aid Support Center funded by the State Bar. I am writing to express my strong support for RepresentLA and to urge you to fund RepresentLA at \$3 million. As an Angeleno deeply committed to ensuring the rights of immigrant communities in Los Angeles, I believe that continuing the work of RepresentLA is critical. RepresentLA has made significant strides in its mission, serving over 21,000 people since 2022, including survivors of labor trafficking, asylum seekers, and veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces. This legal aid program has been key in providing critical legal services to vulnerable and diverse immigrant communities who otherwise would not be represented. The City of Los Angeles has already defended thousands of Angeleno families against family separations through the LA Justice Fund and now RepresentLA since 2017, increased funding will only help further this commitment. Under the Trump Administration, federal immigration enforcement raids and activity have heightened fear in immigrant communities, showcasing that it is more critical than ever to expand and strengthen RepresentLA's essential services. Legal aid provides critical services to the most vulnerable, but that mission cannot be carried out without the proper funding. RepresentLA bridges an ever-growing gap that leaves our fellow Angelenos at risk of state-sanctioned violence and a violation of their rights. I urge you to include \$3 million for RepresentLA in the City's proposed budget for 2026-2027. This is critical to prevent any interruption in the crucial services that RepresentLA provides to our most vulnerable immigrant communities at this extremely difficult time for our communities. Your voice as the leader of the City of LA holds powerful influence and respect. I urge you to support funding for RepresentLA at \$3 million. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Raquel Ibarra, ASW