

Communication from Public

Name: Karen Jones

Date Submitted: 06/10/2026 10:42 AM

Council File No: 26-0832

Comments for Public Posting: I am writing to support the \$14.22 million grant for the care and feeding of animals in the Los Angeles shelter system. This taxpayer funded system should not have to rely on volunteers or donations (of which I make many) to take care of the stray animals that the L.A. has pledged to house. We need more personnel, more programs to socialize dogs to give them a better chance to be adopted, much more aggressive spay and neuter efforts, and higher prices for breeder permits. I will not vote for any politician that abandons the care of these helpless creatures, who depend solely on the kindness of strangers.

Communication from Public

Name: Mara Nelson

Date Submitted: 06/10/2026 12:07 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I believe all Angelenos can agree that LA Animal Services is greatly underfunded. My hope is that this proposed \$14.22 million dollar grant can help alleviate the strain on the facilities, employees and animals. As a former employee of the non profit LA Love and Leashes, I know firsthand the fraught situation thousands of abandoned animals are in every single day in our city. Please approve this grant. Respectfully, Mara Nelson

Communication from Public

Name: Debbie B

Date Submitted: 06/09/2026 05:05 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing in support of this proposal to enrich the animals that are held in Los Angeles shelters and to provide a more hospitable and humane environment for these beings that have no voice. This proposal provides additional resources and support for LA Animal Services. In addition, it offers provisions for stronger foster relations, funds to increase marketing for adoptions and to spread the word for more animals, and return-to-home programs help save lives. These measures are SORELY needed as our the dogs in our shelter system are dying and suffering needlessly because they are not properly funded and the funds they do hve are not being utilized effectively. Los Angeles has an opportunity to become a national leader in animal welfare once again.

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Name: Maryalyce Reilly
Date Submitted: 06/10/2026 10:26 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: I urge the Council to support the grants being offered by the ASPCA and Best Friends Animal Society and to use the grants for their intended purposes. I was shocked to learn that Mayor Bass was proposing eliminating the dog exercise programs and the food and medical supplies budgets, using the grant money from Best Friends and the ASPCA to cover those costs. My understanding is that the mayor also recommended closing three of the six city shelters. I have adopted three dogs from one of the shelters she recommended be closed. I believe the mayor has since withdrawn her recommendation to close the shelters. I have not heard of any change in her proposal for the dog exercise programs and the food and medical supplies budget. It is my understanding that my council member, Ms. Yaroslavsky, supported the mayor's recommendations. I had planned on voting for both Mayor Bass and Ms. Yaroslavsky in the primary. I did not vote for either, due to their position on the shelters. Whether I vote for Ms. Yaroslavsky in the general election or not will depend on whether I hear that she does not agree with the mayor's recommendation and will support the grants being offered by Best Friends and the ASPCA. I am so shocked that the mayor would even make the recommendations she did that I do not plan to ever vote for her again. The shelters should be supported with additional staff and programs, paid for by Los Angeles. The grants being offered should be used for their intended use. The animals deserve the best care possible and every effort should be made to have them adopted into a loving home as soon as possible. Maryalyce Reilly
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Communication from Public

Name: Fred M.

Date Submitted: 06/10/2026 06:21 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly support this lifesaving investment grant because I truly believe there can always be a safe and good home for these animals that can make those households a happier place. - This proposal provides additional resources and support for LA Animal Services. - Stronger foster, adoption, and return-to-home programs help save lives. - Los Angeles has an opportunity to become a national leader in animal welfare once again.

Communication from Public

Name: Shannon Harding
Date Submitted: 06/10/2026 07:50 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing to voice my support of the \$14.22 million dollar grant for Los Angeles Animal Services. This grant will provide needed resources for the over whelming issues facing our animals. Whether you have pets or not, society needs to care for these unfortunate animals. This grant will support the neutering services that will help keep the population from growing. Uncared for animals affect our pets - so it is important to make sure that these animals receive care and treatment. Our shelters are overcrowded and animals are being euthanized before these poor animals even have a chance. Monies could be used to support very needed foster programs. We all need to do our part but this department needs this grant desperately.