

Communication from Public

Name: Amy

Date Submitted: 10/19/2023 02:14 PM

Council File No: 23-1008

Comments for Public Posting: Hello, Please forgive another email in your inbox for a worthy cause. I appreciate all you do to make this a better home for us all. I ask you to save the huge amounts of healthy, loving dogs and cats euthanized in shelters all year round by placing an immediate and indefinite moratorium on the issuance of new breeding permits. A whopping 56 percent of dogs and 71 percent of cats that enter animal shelters are euthanized. One of many studies covered here— [Data Reveals Increase in Dogs, Cats Euthanized in US Shelters](https://www.petage.com/best-friends-animal-society-data-reveals-increase-in-dogs-cats-euthanized-in-us-shelters/): <https://www.petage.com/best-friends-animal-society-data-reveals-increase-in-dogs-cats-euthanized-in-us-shelters/> And, more info on the state of affairs: -City shelters are in crisis, so the city needs to take emergency action now to prevent more animals from suffering on the streets and in severely crowded shelters. There is no excuse for bringing more animals into the world when so many neglected and unwanted animals are suffering, never having experienced the comfort and safety of a loving home. A moratorium on new breeding permits would protect countless animals and ease the burden on already severely crowded shelters. -I strongly support a moratorium on issuing new breeding licenses in Los Angeles. Our city owes it to suffering animals to do everything it can to reduce animal homelessness and the need for euthanasia by spaying and neutering animals and stopping all new breeding. -Animals in shelters will continue to suffer and die as long as we allow breeders to bring more animals into the world. Every time a new litter is born, the odds of finding loving homes for adoptable dogs and cats languishing in severely crowded shelters become even steeper. -Placing a moratorium on new breeding permits is a commonsense animal protection measure that would reduce the number of unwanted cats and dogs languishing in our city's shelters, waiting for loving homes that never present themselves. Thank you so much for your time and consideration, Amy Eldreth Los Angeles, 90025

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Name: Elva l Villanueva

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Comments for Public Posting: LOTS OF ANIMALS ARE BEEN KILLED AT SHELTERS
EVERY DAY, WE NEED BREEDERS CONTROL AND
MORE RESOURCES FOR ANIMALS, PLEASE I BEG YOU,
PLEASE HELP STOP THE INHUMANE KILLING OF
HEALTHY ANIMALS AT SHELTERS
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Name: Stefanie Stevens

Date Submitted: 10/20/2023 11:11 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Stefanie Stevens and I do support the moratorium on new breeding permits. A moratorium on issuing new permits will create a strong incentive for people to adopt. As well as the initial relief this would have on overcrowded shelters, the benefits would be twofold in this way. Much of the public isn't aware of the connection and adverse impact of buying companion animals instead of adopting. The moratorium itself brings awareness to this issue, and will encourage and inspire more people to adopt when they realize that overcrowded shelters are an issue, so much so that the city is taking steps to improve the situation, so this would increase adoption rates even more than may be expected initially.

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Name: Donald Stephens

Date Submitted: 10/20/2023 11:55 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE PLACE A PERMANENT MORATORIUM ON BREEDING ANIMALS OF ANY KIND!!! THIS MORATORIUM MUST BE EXTENDED TO APPLY TO THE ENTIRE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I am a volunteer at my local shelter and I am in contact with volunteers of other shelters and I can tell you that all of the shelters are becoming overwhelmed by animals dumped by breeders. These “breeder left overs and outcasts” are the animals the breeders could not sell and they come in to the shelters by the dozens on a daily basis. The costs these breeders incur to the CA shelters in taking care of these animals is in the billions per year which is completely avoidable if breeding was illegal. Why is breeding not illegal? Breeding is not a Constitutional right!!! There is absolutely no legal or equitable right to breed. Breeding is an activity that brings more harm to society than any benefit. And there are a great many money making activities that are illegal because they do more harm to society than good, one of many examples being selling human organs and body parts out on the open market. The act of breeding does nothing more than to incur billions of unnecessary dollars to the state and therefore to the taxpayer, not to mention the cruelty of having to kill the poor animals that cannot be adopted out. BREEDING IS A DELETERIOUS ACT THAT HAS TO BE OUTLAWED.. For all those people that are making a living from breeding, they have no more of a legal basis to continue with their “business” than do prostitutes. The latter is outlawed as well due to doing more harm to society than good. Breeders are no different. Breeders do not have any legal basis to continue with their activities, they have no inherent right, no Constitutional right, no equitable right, no legally supportable right to breed and no court or any kind would uphold such a flagrant position if challenged. I am an attorney and would be glad to prosecute such a case any day and I assure you, I will win.

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Name: Aimie Billon

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Name: Christine A Jackson

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Comments for Public Posting: Currently there is an overpopulation of dogs and cats in the City and County of Los Angeles. The ages of these animals range from young puppy or kitten to Senior dogs that have been either abandoned or have been bought from puppy mills/breeders, or abandoned by these Mills/Breeders if they are not sold in a short amount of time. There's no process in place to monitor and Ensure guidelines for breeders which turns into an overpopulation of puppy mills run out of homes with neglected and abused breeding dogs and puppies. There's a sufficient number of animals across the shelter system and the rescue system to handle the demands of families that want a dog. Limiting the number of Breeder Licenses will enable the local government to get a handle on the processes that are currently in place and to develop more efficient and effective processes to manage this out of control business. There's also a sufficient amount of breed specific rescues to handle the demand of people who would like to adopt a specific breed versus mixed breeds. This is an out of control issue where we need to slow down the system to come up with the correct solutions and to stop the flooding of the shelter systems. I personally have seen dogs surrendered by owners or who were strays that were breeding dogs and even specialized breed puppies. The breeders have a tendency to cross breed as well and this is not healthy for the animals medically or behaviorally which causes issues in the puppies leading to breeder surrender or abandonment. Please take this opportunity to slow down the system it's not something that will last forever but just for enough time to see what we can do and come up with solutions to slow the flooding of these poor innocent animals into the system. The key will be to ensure that the criteria and procedures that the licenses require to be followed are specific and can be monitored so that animal abuse and the creation of these horrible puppy mills can be stopped.

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Comments for Public Posting: I urge the LA City Council to pass the moratorium on all new breeding permits until shelter capacity falls below 75%. As someone who owns a dog that was rescued from a shelter and also having rescued a dog from the streets in LA, I can attest to how overcrowded shelters currently are. Please consider this comment and help alleviate the pressure and influx of neglected and abused dogs that these shelters can take care for, while dog breeders still profit off of bringing more dogs into the world. Thank you.

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Name: Baird

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