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First name [required] **Caroline**

Last name [required] **Baker**

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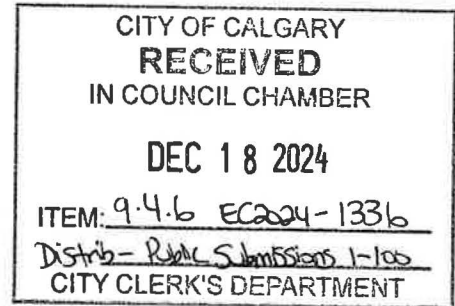
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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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Hi,

I am a Calgarian citizen & I volunteer in animal rescue. I highly support the motion to ban the sale of rabbits, puppies & kittens in retail stores. The burden of stray colonies has fallen on the public and this will be a huge step in alleviating that. Last year , myself & a few others concerned with animal welfare , tackled a colony of over 40 stray rabbits. Sadly we were only able to save 12 as the rest died from predators, extreme weather etc. The financial cost and personal time of this rescue was very heavy. I would like to see the source of this issue (the sale of unfixed rabbits in pet stores) come to an end.

Thanks so much,
Caroline baker

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Please ban the sale of Rabbits and other animals as there is a huge dumping problem and it is a death sentence for poor these animals. The shelters are full and rescues are overwhelmed.



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I am in favour of restricting the sale of animals, specifically rabbits. Calgary has had a huge issue of people abandoning their rabbits causing huge feral populations that are suffering. Domestic rabbits do not have the skills to survive and it is a death sentence for them. Pet stores should not be allowed to sell them. Rabbits are complicated and are considered exotic animals and they are not starter pets. People abandon their rabbits once they realize how much work they are. It's been a massive problem in Calgary and it needs to stop.

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[required] - max 75 characters **Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales & Ownership Review.**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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I am extremely in favour of a review of how bred animals are inhumanely housed & a ban of sales in retail pet stores & online of cats, dogs & rabbits! The amount of suffering that I have seen rabbits go through when they've been dumped outside is horrible to witness & traumatizing. These domestic animals face extreme temperatures, starvation, dehydration, untreated injuries, deadly viruses, endlessly being chased by dogs & becoming prey to various wildlife they attract into the city, such as bobcats. Female rabbits have 2 uteruses & litter gestation is only 30 days leading to unmanageable colonies in the city. I have spent thousands of dollars trying to help these abandoned rabbits & have taken in many of them over the years covering all of the food & vet bills myself due to irresponsible people dumping them. I have heard horror stories from people who have personally seen how animals are bred & housed before being shipped off to retail stores or to slaughter for meat, in the case of rabbits. It's time for new rules to stop this suffering! As a progressive, caring city, we can do better for them! Help the overrun & overwhelmed vets, animal rescues & shelters in this city by making a real change by solving the issue with a sales ban!



Wild Rose
Rabbit Rescue

STOP DUMPING RABBITS!

They are not shirts you no longer want.



Rabbits are exotic animals with specific needs, they can't survive outside.



They are an invasive species and destroy landscaping, attract predators, and breed rapidly.



Statistically, rabbits bought on impulse are dumped or rehomed less than 1 year after being adopted.

Outside is scary and dangerous-- please don't abandon me!



www.wrrabbitrescue.com



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First name [required] Janice

Last name [required] ter Borg

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Please support this motion for the following reasons.

1. The proposed bylaw will eliminate a medium through which breeding mills sell their dogs, kittens, and rabbits;
2. It will help to prevent the impulse purchase of pets in pet stores and elsewhere; and
3. It will allow rescue organizations and reputable breeders to fill the niche. Hundreds of cities in North America have enacted bans, including Richmond & New Westminster, BC, Toronto, Mississauga, and Kingston, ON. Shelter adoptions will increase, and as a result euthanasia will decrease. Albuquerque, New Mexico, for example, has noticed a shelter adoption increase of 23% and euthanasia decrease of 35% since enacting their ban in 2006.
4. Reputable breeders cannot and will not sell to pet stores or they will have their breeding accreditation revoked.
5. Most of the animals in pet stores are from deplorable puppy mills, kitty factories, and backyard breeders even if the pet store promises otherwise. These pet stores will not provide truthful information about the breeders they purchase from nor will they provide accurate information about the history of each pet.
6. There are many successful retailers in Calgary that cater to the pet industry that have made the ethical decision not to sell pets.

There are so many reports of puppies purchased from Top Dog pet store who have medical problems or have died. The purchaser contacts Top Dog who tells them that they can trade their puppy in. Just like a sweater you decided you didn't want! And they won't pay the medical bills if you decide to keep the sick dog. That many sick puppies is usually due to inbreeding and/or poor pre-natal health. Ie. Puppy Mill Top Dog even sold a litter of puppies with parovirus which can be deadly and is highly contagious.

Thank you for listening.
Janice ter Borg

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First name [required] **Joan**

Last name [required] **Middlestead**

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As a long time animal lover and volunteer with a local animal shelter, participant in rabbit rescues, rabbit foster parent and adopter, I have long opposed pet stores being allowed to sell animals. It is after all the 21st century and adopt don't shop should be the norm!! I am particularly concerned for rabbits sold in pet stores as there is an increase in this practice around Easter. Children are often given a live bunny (usually far too young to have left it's mother) and after Easter when the novelty wears off the poor creature is abandoned to shelters or released outdoors to fend for itself. Pet stores never admit to being responsible for this tragedy. They are also notorious for not knowing the sex or age of their rabbits and have little to no proper information on how to care, feed, house and provide what rabbits need to live comfortable healthy lives.

Animals are not sweaters that you purchase on a whim and return if not suitable; yet they are treated like this in our society in this City!
Please stop the sale of animals in pet stores!
Thank-you.

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First name [required] Sam

Last name [required] Peters

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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If we have laws in place about owning pets we might see a decrease in animal abandonment since the person has to put more effort in to get the pet. I would love to see pet stores becoming only pet supplies stores since pets bought at a pet store are more likely to be only purchased as toys or on a whim. This will force individuals to adopt from shelters and help with the problem not contribute to it.

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[required] - max 75 characters Notice of motion dogs cats and rabbits ownership review.

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] Neither

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In favour of stricter ownership rules around rabbits and responsible ownership. The sale of rabbits should not be as easy as it is right now considering the amount of rabbits that are neglected and thrown onto the streets of the city. Owners should not be allowed to dump unwanted house rabbits. This has gone on long enough.



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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I strongly agree with a retail sales ban on cats, dogs and rabbits for the aforementioned reasons.



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First name [required] Sabrina

Last name [required] Greensill

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I would like to see the banning of pet sales from all pet stores in Calgary. We have shelters that are overflowing with animals that need forever homes and I believe they will make great pets. No profit should be involved with the sale of a new pet. Pet stores cannot give the proper care needed and they cannot vet new owners as well as the shelters. Too many of those pets (especially rabbits) end up dumped to live out in the elements or surrendered to the shelters. Can we please save some lives of these creatures and only allow adoption.



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First name [required] Tara

Last name [required] More

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[required] - max 75 characters #9. The sale of dogs, cats, rabbits in store

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] Neither

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New York has just banned the sale of dogs and cats and rabbits in pet stores. Here is a news link. https://youtu.be/bGuLYR6_Fak?si=JvkNlnSOS6Hed5zC

My primary concern is even though by law requires breeders to have a license.... Very few obtain that license!

Furthermore as a responsible pet owner who wishes to adopt through a breeder there is no way to find out if the breeder is licensed and reputable.

The bigger issue is surrendered pets. The humane society should be tracking where all these pets were bred that are surrendered. And place appropriate fines on breeders who do not have approved licenses. Breeders should be required to take back any pet that needs to be surrendered. Which would also prevent over breeding.



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Full support!



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[required] - max 75 characters Re: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible pet sales and ownership review

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Help reduce overpopulation of dogs, cats and rabbits and promoting the adoption of rescue animals that need forever homes. Ban any retail sales of these animals. Animals are not products! Adopt, never shop.

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[required] - max 75 characters Agenda #9.4.6 please ban the sale of rabbits and other small animals.

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Please ban the sale of rabbits and other small rodents/animals.



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Last name [required] Cameron

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[required] - max 75 characters Ban the sale of rabbits to promote more responsible ownership

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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People buy bunnies and when they get tired of them they just dump them. One only has to go to Glenmore Park to see the many abandoned rabbits/animals there. Please do what you can to help this not happen anymore. I am not so opposed to people buying them but not impulse buying, perhaps a waiting period for purchase, and if they do change their mind after buying ensure a safe way for provide those people to surrender their animals to a safe environment

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Last name [required] Serrano

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I totally support this motion, as it's incredibly sad for me to find abandoned pet rabbits dying in the streets
Me and my partner rescued 4 of these precious animals and it's heartbreaking to keep hearing of people abandoning them



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I support the motion on its totality, pets shouldn't be sold so easily to careless people that will end up neglecting them or abandoning them. We need better education in this matter and better qualifications before adopting a pet.

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First name [required] **Maureen**

Last name [required] **Hurly**

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Hello, I fully support Councillor Waldcott's motion to ban the sale of rabbits, cats and dogs in pet stores. The attached photo is of domestic rabbits freezing, starving and covered in snow, taken at Nose Hill park a couple of years ago. Feral rabbit colonies are a direct result of people buying rabbits on a whim, then abandoning them. Pet stores encourage impulse buying, and they sell unfixated animals who will reproduce at a high rate. I have even heard reports of pet stores themselves dumping unfixated rabbits that they couldn't sell. It's time to stop this practice. All the animal shelters are overwhelmed with animals needing homes.





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Last name [required] Anderson

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The abandoned animal issue is out of control
This is the only reasonable solution



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I am pleased to see this item on the agenda. It is an important step in the protection of sentient beings and in responsible citizenship to address the roots the overpopulation and suffering of animals. Animals are bred and housed in inhumane and cruel conditions, often unknown to the consumer, in the name of profit. They are sold like another commodity without much thought or public education for what it entails to properly care for a living being. Unprepared buyers and unwanted/unprofitable animals result in animal suffering as a direct outcome of profitability and lack of consumer education. There is plenty of animals needing homes, with shelters regularly operating over capacity and beyond their financial resources, and their sale continues to worsen this. A ban on the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits is a step in the right direction to help population control humanely and alleviate unnecessary suffering.



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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I would like to submit my voice in banning the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits unless they are animals that are rescued.



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Last name [required] **Kelly**

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This is an extremely important initiative that will reduce suffering in a very vulnerable population, will free up valuable aspects of the city's infrastructure, and displays compassion and a deep understanding towards preventing continued abuses of animals. It is encouraging that this initiative has come forward, encouraging that our council is displaying the kind of compassion that will prevent continued suffering, both towards the animals who are abandoned and become victims of the cruelty and indifference of the wider world, and towards the people who quite likely undergo degrees of psychological suffering as they face the fact that they cannot care for an animal and feel they need to make the decision to abandon a being they have cared for. While I vehemently disagree with the decision to abandon an animal, I believe those who do must suffer from regret and shame, as well as wrestling with the morality of doing so. This agenda item will address and perhaps help to rectify this situation, greatly reducing the amount of suffering in our city. Thank you very much for your consideration and your compassion.

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[required] - max 75 characters Banning the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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As a volunteer in an animal shelter I have seen an unprecedented amount of dogs and puppies sitting in shelters and for the lucky ones foster families for months at a time and for some years. This epidemic of animals brought in and sitting in highly stressful shelter environment is detrimental to the animals, to the animal welfare workers, volunteers and all those trying to help. The burnout is high and these dogs rely on us to try to find a solution that prevents people from buying and profiting from the sale of animals. We are better than this, aren't we? It's time to try to find a solution and I believe this is part of the solution.



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I support this Review. Rescues are overwhelmed by homeless pets and many animals cannot be taken into the rescue system because of limited resources. Puppy mills and backyard breeders do not care about the health of their animals and exist because this kind of mistreatment is currently acceptable in Calgary.



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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME

Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters)

I am in favour of banning the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet stores. With so many pets being surrendered to shelters, as well as the feral rabbit population due to releasing animals outside, banning the sale of these pets in pet stores would result in more responsible pet ownership and fewer stray and surrendered pets

Specifically for rabbits, many pet store employees are not educated on proper ethical care, selling rabbits along with tiny cages, low quality food, and a lack of proper enrichment. Ethical rescues such as the Calgary Humane Society promote proper care (e.g., litter training, proper nutrition) and minimum-sized pens, as well as educates potential owners prior to adoption.

Banning the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet stores would not only reduce the number of surrendered and stray animals in Calgary, it would also improve the care of pets in Calgary and result in fewer neglected and abused animals due to lack of owner education.

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Rabbits are the most abandoned pet in Calgary, they are mostly dumped near hospitals, parks and industrial areas in the throughout city. Rescues and shelters are at capacity and aren't accepting surrenders, this is really a growing issue that has never been addressed in any successful manner. Pet store Rabbits are domesticated and like dogs and cats will suffer and not thrive without human intervention, care and properly housed inside a home. Like cats and dogs, they live over 10 yrs. Ppl are so uneducated when in a pet store and see a cute pet and pet stores are there to profit not to educate. So Please Stop the sale of rabbits in pet stores. Thank you for you time and vote!



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First name [required] Gizelle

Last name [required] Becker

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[required] - max 75 characters Agenda 9.4.6

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I run a local rabbit rescue - Wild Rose Rabbit Rescue - and similarly to the other rescues, we are up to our ears in reports of dumped rabbits. WRRR specifically deals with dumped and feral rabbits. Many of the feral rabbits that live in colonies have injuries from fights and missing part of their ears and missing fur. They are not equipped to live outside.

Rabbits are being dumped faster than we can afford to take them in. In the current day, I receive around 10 inquiries per week in the form of emails and phone calls about people finding dumped rabbits or folks who have adopted a rabbit and need to get rid of them. The majority of the people reaching out about owner surrenders have not even owned the rabbit for a year (a fraction of their 10 year life span). The issue as well is that many of these rabbits are not neutered. Unaltered rabbits make terrible pets due to their territorial and destructive habits. I have also had a large handful of people who bought rabbits from a pet store or breeder who upon purchase thought they were buying two rabbits of the same gender only to wake up to a litter of baby rabbits. It is clear that the education provided by pet stores and breeders is not adequate, especially if they don't even know how to properly determine the gender of a rabbit.

WRRR fully supports:

- Banning the retail sale of rabbits. Rabbits are impulsively bought and many people don't realize they are exotic animals that can live well over 10 years. They are not children's pets and we see most rabbits getting dumped after the holidays and Easter.
- Encouraging neutered/spayed rabbits. As mentioned, unaltered rabbits can be extremely destructive and territorial. They also breed rapidly. Most female rabbits as well that aren't spayed eventually get uterine cancer.
- Promoting better education on rabbits and higher consequences for those who are dumping them outside.



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Last name [required] Johnsen

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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As someone who has been a proud bunny parent for many years, I've become a source of knowledge and guidance for countless people, including strangers, who reach out for advice about rabbits. This is an issue close to my heart, and I want to ask we pass this motion.

Rescues are constantly overwhelmed, especially with bunnies, many of whom are abandoned and cannot survive in the wild—especially during winter. Promoting adoption and ensuring pets are spayed or neutered is essential to prevent overfilled shelters and give these animals longer, healthier lives.



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First name [required] **Lara**

Last name [required] **Sawinski**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Banning Sale of rabbits 9.4.6**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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Selling rabbits & other animals from breeders is causing shelters to be overrun. People are dumping unwanted pets outside to be breeding into large colonies, causing infrastructure issues, and an increase in predators. Rescue groups are small, independent for the most part & are unable to take in enough to stem the tide.

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Banning the sale of rabbits, cats and dogs in pet stores.

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]

In favour



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Ban the sale of rabbits in pet stores. Especially those that are not neutered or spayed or vaccinated. Dumped rabbits are an ongoing and growing problem. They do not have the same survival skills as wild rabbits and cannot survive outside. All rescues and shelters are overflowing with animals. They do not have the space or resources to rescue them all. People should be rescuing animals not buying from pet stores that do not provide the proper education, information or resources. Pet stores also don't sell rabbits that are vaccinated, spayed or neutered which is extremely irresponsible!



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First name [required] **Karen**

Last name [required] **Ensz**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Item 9.4.6 Dogs, cats, and rabbits.**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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There are so many unwanted, neglected, and abused animals. Backyard breeders/puppy mills are contributing to this overpopulation and have no regard for the welfare of the animals. Simply the dollar. Please do the right thing and be the voice for the animals.

Thank you for your consideration,

Regards

Karen Ensz

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9.4.6 re banning the sale of dogs kittens rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]

In favour

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I worked in the pet industry for over 25 years. I have an indepth knowledge of where the pets come from as well as how they are cared for . One of the most disturbing items is the stores are about profit not best pet for the best home..., no matter what they say. Injuries the pets in a pet store go from falling out of kennels breaking bones, Legs stuck in grates..., worse is legs stuck in grates when the stores are closed...., water being dumped out when the stores are closed leading to dehydration. I tried for years to make changes. Rabbits are a fad and usually dumped once the novelty wears off. Kittens don't need to be sold in pet stores when shelters are over crowded. Due to the ban in humane declawing more than ever before abandonment of cats is a pandemic. There are many other poor creatures that are not pets and should never be pets . Iguanas and many other reptiles are captured and put in pet stores. Most due because cer:ain amino acids they require as part of their diet are only available from plants in the wild. Anyway. For the love of pets please vote yes once and for all to banning puppiæs, dogs, kittens and cats, rabbits and bunnies for sake in pet stores. Here is an idea, offer incentives to the stores that still sell pets to convert there exist- ing space where they are selling these pets and have them provide this space for shel- ters to display their pets for adoption. If the stores did the math they would see that if they just provided the products for the adopted pets and eliminated the man power and vet expenses they would see a benefit ..., not just monetary but ethically. You have the opportunity to create change... don't miss it. Thank you



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Last name [required] **Hauser**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Banning the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits in pet stores.**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME

Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters)

I am in favour of banning the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits from breeders in pet stores. So many pets are dumped and breed uncontrollably. The rescue societies are over capacity. It is a sad sad situation.



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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I do think that responsible breeders should continue to sell their puppies, but not in stores, through a "for sale" on a website etc. I believe that pet stores should be showing animals available for adoption. Typically this would be cats, rabbits, birds, etc. that might have been given up by owners. I also believe that the animals should be neutered, spayed, prior to being up for sale in stores.

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Last name [required] **Emond**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Pets being Sold in Pet stores**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In opposition**

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME

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I strongly believe that pets should NOT be sold in Pet Stores.
People do impulsive buying when they see cute little animals, but these cute little animals later end up at over crowded shelters.
Many of the puppies come from 'Puppy Mills'!
The greed leads to cruelty of animals.

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Last name [required] **Geiger**

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Date of meeting [required] **Dec 17, 2024**

What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published [here](#))

[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6 I do believe in banning breeders for rabbits**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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Way too many rabbits are being dumped and abandoned, and it's causing a big problem for the city and rescues by myself, and the owner of two said dumped rabbits that I rescued

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[required] - max 75 characters Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales and Own

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Please go forward with this motion.



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[required] - max 75 characters Agenda item 9.4.6

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I fully support and welcome this agenda item. Animal shelters have been at an unremitting maximum capacity for too long, bearing the costs of retail sales of animals who are later dumped to fend for themselves. This is an ongoing, increasing issue while retailers profit and assume no responsibility. To sell animals instead of encouraging adoptions is irresponsible. Released rabbits and snakes are often dumped when the novelty and realization of costs of care becomes a reality, only to suffer greatly. I want my Calgary to be progressive and to align with core societal values of respect and welfare for animals. I trust Councillor's will agree as other cities have. Thank you.

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[required] - max 75 characters **Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits!**

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This motion is a crucial step the city needs to take to reduce the impact the retail sale of animals has had in our community. Animal shelters and rescue organizations are in crisis, shift the focus to those organizations so that animals are properly vetted, and owners screened prior to adopting vs. an impulse buy at a pet store. There is no need to support puppy mills or allow animals to be sold for profit.



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First name [required] **Terri**

Last name [required] **Nielsen**

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[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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I support the ban on the sale of cats, dogs and rabbits in pet stores. There is only one retail store in Calgary that continues to do this, and I truly believe these animals are sourced from unethical breeding practises. It is all about the money being made, and they are kept in awful conditions in this store. I also believe they mislead the public on the health and history of those animals.
There are hundreds of animals in shelters waiting for homes, dozens being euthanized due to lack if space.

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First name [required] **Rickie**

Last name [required] **Selby**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Agenda Item 9.4.6 Banning the retail sale of non-rescued animals**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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PLEASE ban the sale of pets in pet stores. The puppy mills and backyard breeders that supply these stores care nothing for the welfare of the breeding animals that live in filthy, horrendous cages their entire lives. So many other cities have banned the retail sale of pets. C'mon Calgary, we can do this too!

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Last name [required] **Epp**

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[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6: Dogs, Cats and Rabbits**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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Shelters and rescues can't keep up with the requests for animal surrenders. As someone who is very involved in animal rescue, banning the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits would be a huge movement in the right direction. There are too many animals that need saving and homes.



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Animals should only be sold in stores if they are from a reputable animal rescue/shelter. Ban breeders or puppy mills selling in stores. There is such an overpopulation of animals right now and far too many surrenders. Even some breeders/puppy mills are trying to surrender to rescues when they can't sell an animal or won't accept one of their animals back. Maybe this will slow down or stop breeders/puppy mills.



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I am very much in favour of ending the sale of animals in Calgary. Small animals, exotic animals, dogs cats should not be commodities. Only adoption should be allowed.



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[required] - max 75 characters Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales and Ownership Review

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I am in favour of the banning of the sale of these animals in pet stores.

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There are far too many animals being surrendered in Calgary. As such, available resources are already at max capacity. To help alleviate such stress and reduce the circulation of animals, it is highly recommended that the sale of cats, dogs and rabbits be banned. With the large proportion of animals already surrendered, many are in need of a forever home which would fully replace the need for any animal sale.

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Last name [required] **Shaw**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Please stop selling most animals in stores**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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Please stop selling most animals in stores. Thank you. Animals being sold in stores tend to either stolen from the wild or bred in animal mills. Both of these are bad things.

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[required] - max 75 characters **Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits!**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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Please ban the sale of cats, dogs and rabbits in pet stores. I have worked and volunteered with multiple rescue organizations over the past decade and there are not enough resources to properly support the increasing population of unwanted pets in Calgary. So many families cannot afford the costs associated with having pets or cannot find affordable housing that allow pets so shelters are over capacity. By eliminating the commercial sale of pets you will not only be ending the suffering of countless animals who are used in breeding operations with little concern for the wellbeing of the animals, but you will also be reducing the number of animals looking for homes, allowing reputable rescue organizations to find loving homes for the animals in need. The pressure on the sector has exploded since COVID and this is a tangible way to help reduce animal suffering in our City.



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[required] - max 75 characters **Item 9.4.6**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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I presently own a rescue dog (#2) and have recently saved & fostered dogs from northern bc. I see the real issues from over population of animals, homelessness and shelters over-run to capacity. Breeders should be shut down, we dont need more animals, we need more owners & fosterers for the millions of homeless animals that are dying everyday in the world. Something needs to be done and these animals need to be saved before anymore are

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9.4.6 Dogs, cats, rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]

In favour

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First name [required] **Sandy**

Last name [required] **Pfeifer**

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Until such a time that animal shelters and rescue groups routinely have space available for stray and surrendered pets, I support this motion to ban the retail sale of cats, dogs and rabbits.

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First name [required] Janice

Last name [required] Turgeon

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[required] - max 75 characters Item 9.4.6 dogs, cats, and rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I would like to voice my support for banning the sale of dogs cats and rabbits. If more stores highlighted and offered rescues/shelter animals for adoption, so many more could find forever homes. Less opportunities for mills or pets being used for profit, the better. No marketplace means less incentive. Awareness and public support is so key for people to be aware adoptions of rescues does not mean you get an animal that is second rate or "broken".



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[required] - max 75 characters I support banning of retail sale of animals and neutering for bunnies.

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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9.4.6- Dogs, Cats and Rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]

In favour

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I support this motion as I believe we need to be responsible for the animals that are already here and should refrain from buying pups.



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Last name [required] Barge

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I agree with the ban of selling cats, dogs, and rabbits in stores



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Last name [required] Peterson

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[required] - max 75 characters Re: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits: A Responsible Pet Sales and Ownership Review

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



Public Submission

CC 968 (R2024-05)

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Banning the sale of domestic companion animals and encouraging the adoption of same would be the decent thing to do for Calgary. Also, if there was any way of encouraging more landlords to allow pets, that would be awesome too!

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First name [required] Susan

Last name [required] Cannon

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[required] - max 75 characters Dogs, Cats and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales and Ownership Review

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I have volunteered at animal welfare organizations for the past 8 years and can state from personal experience how the number of surrendered, stray and feral animals coming into care has increased to unsustainable levels. Every animal that is adopted from a shelter saves two lives - the animal being adopted and the animal that can now be rescued because a space has opened up. Stores that sell dogs, cats and rabbits that don't come from registered animal welfare organization in Calgary prevent space for animals in need from becoming available. Resources and physical space for animals in need are currently stressed to the limit. Passing this notice of motion is a first step in helping our struggling organizations and the animals they are saving and can save in the future.



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First name [required] Laura

Last name [required] Gray

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First name [required] **Patricia**

Last name [required] **McMahon**

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[required] - max 75 characters **A Responsible Pets Sales and Ownership Review? Banning Sales of Dogs, Cats,**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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Last name [required] **Kashluba**

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[required] - max 75 characters **I support the ban of breeders and pet stores selling animals.**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



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I support this ban. Animals need more rights and stricter abuse laws. No more backyard breeders or pet store sales. We are in a crisis.



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First name [required] Wanda

Last name [required] Terry

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Date of meeting [required] Dec 17, 2024

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[required] - max 75 characters Responsible pet sales and ownership

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

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Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters)

Many Canadian Cities have ban the sale of puppies, cats and rabbits within commercial settings eg: pet stores.

Our group has been an advocate towards supporting this ban for some time now. The puppies and rabbits sold in pet stores are sourced from large commercial breeders or puppy/rabbit mills. Animals procured from these facilities are massed produced for profit and not for the well being or health of the animal. Families purchasing these animals are often left with heartache or huge financial stress over Veterinary bills due to the health of these animals.

Our shelters are over capacity, feral domestic rabbit communities are abundant across the city and yet the City of Calgary hasn't joined our more progressive Canadian cities in recognizing that selling these animals in a commercial setting is a major part of the problem. Please consider a ban on these animals being sold in pet stores.

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First name [required] **Bonnie**

Last name [required] **Boyda**

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Date of meeting [required] **Dec 17, 2024**

What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published [here](#).)

[required] - max 75 characters **Stop selling animals in stores**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**



Public Submission

CC 968 (R2024-05)

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME

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Please stop selling animals, including cats, dogs, rabbits, ... in stores. Thank you.

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First name [required] **Marchella**

Last name [required] **Barbero**

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What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required] **Standing Policy Committee on Community Development**

Date of meeting [required] **Dec 5, 2024**

What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published [here](#).)

[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6 dogs cats and rabbits**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In opposition**



ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

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I'm against anything that encourages puppy mills or maltreatment of all animals / mammals being sold in pet stores.

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Last name [required] Seet

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Date of meeting [required] Dec 17, 2024

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[required] - max 75 characters Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits!

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME

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I support the banning of the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits. I personally know multiple people who have bought a dog, cat or rabbit from various sources without doing proper research beforehand. Whether the source is credible or not, it doesn't change the fact that these new owners don't know what they're getting themselves into and then when they realize they have bitten off more than they can chew, they throw these poor animals out in the streets. Our humane societies are absolute angels for trying to take in as many of these abandoned animals as they can, but the truth of the matter is that there are way too many of them and they're all absolutely swarmed and packed to the brim. Something has to change as soon as possible.

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Last name [required] Endozo

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[required] - max 75 characters Sale of Animals

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME

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I agree to ban the selling of animals

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Last name [required] **Novello**

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Date of meeting [required] **Dec 17, 2024**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Ban the sale of cats dogs rabbits and help those in resues**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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Last name [required] HUHN

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What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required] Council

Date of meeting [required] Dec 19, 2024

What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published [here](#).)

[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales a

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

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It is in the public's best interest as well as in the best interest of animals and animal welfare agencies to ban the sale of pets that are sourced from abusive, exploitative, and neglectful breeders (aka mills). By passing this bill it will hopefully encourage more ethical practices in the sale of animals and also reduce the number of unhoused animals and animals that are subject to euthanasia due to behavioural and/or health related concerns stemming from enduring life in a mill type environment. The only people that passing this proposal will harm are the people who benefit from the neglect and abuse of animals.



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First name [required] Candace

Last name [required] Paul

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What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required] Council

Date of meeting [required] Dec 17, 2024

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[required] - max 75 characters Ban sale of animals in pet store - only sale from shelter and rescue

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

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Our animals are suffering and we have a lot of work to do. One big step in protecting our animals is banning the sale of animals everywhere except rescues and shelters.

Please take this important step to start protecting the animals that can't protect themselves

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First name [required] **Marnie**

Last name [required] **Pasveer**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

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I am in favour of banning the sales of dogs, cats and rabbits in pet stores.



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Last name [required] Manasek

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[required] - max 75 characters Item 9.4.6

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME

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I support banning the sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits unless they are from a rescue organization. Too many are abandoned and forced to live short lives outdoors without vet care, food, water, or shelter. Rescues can't keep up and the number of homeless animals and feral colonies and what they go through is heartbreaking. It is past time to fix this human-caused and preventable problem that causes needless suffering. There is no need to breed animals for sale when there are so many abandoned, surrendered, and neglected pets needing homes. Allowing the sale of animals bred for profit is irresponsible and will continue to cause suffering. As a community, we need to speak up for the members of our community who cannot do so for themselves and rely on humans for every aspect of their lives. Animals deserve to be treated with respect and have a good quality of life, not to be treated as property sold for profit and then discarded. Please put an end to this.



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Last name [required] Balabas

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I am in favour of stopping the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits in pet stores. There are an abundance of dumped and abandoned pets in this city, especially rabbits and the rescues and shelters are over capacity and can no longer take on this burden. Selling animals in pet stores allows people to buy animals on a whim and then dump them outside when they are no longer wanted. Animal welfare needs to be a priority in this city and this is one of many steps that need to be taken in order for this to happen.



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First name [required] **Meghan**

Last name [required] **Huchkowsky**

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[required] - max 75 characters **9.4.6 Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

ATTACHMENT_01_FILENAME

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Her Worship, Joyti Gondyk, Mayor of Calgary, and our City's Councillors. I am writing you today to express my support in the bylaw to ban kittens, puppies, and bunnies in Calgary retail stores. I have spent the last 8 years of my career in pet seeing the downsides of when Calgarian's impulse buy animals from the easy to access pet store. These animals are sourced from puppy mills (confirmed from former employees I have interviewed) and are kept to the standards of a very lax Alberta Animal Protection Act. Calgary is the the last major city in Canada to implement this bylaw, so we are long overdue. This is the first step to helping shelters, reducing access from puppy mills, and making our city one that is progressive. I have been fighting for this bylaw for many years and I sincerely hope today is the day we can move forward with healthier and more ethical sourcing of pets in Calgary and help control the animal population. Let's follow suit with cities like Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver, Burnaby, and others and show the rest of Canada we are soon going to get rid of Western Canada's last and only pet store selling puppies out of glass containers. Thank you for your time, your consideration and your patience.

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I have never seen our situation this dire. It is OUT OF CONTROL. The shelters are maxed. It seems as though most households have pets, and I personally know many animal fosters; the consensus is: THERE ARE NO MORE ROOMS IN THE INN!! Neglect and abuse cases are rampant. Breeding and selling must stop. Economics are dire. People are struggling, and this affects these poor furry creatures, who are innocents. Please gather the stats and take action immediately. You cannot deny there is a problem. Bandaid solutions aren't working. Include the voices of the experts: volunteers, shelters, etc. treat them in their entirety; throwing scraps here and there is not working. Let's show our humanity



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Last name [required] Birch

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[required] - max 75 characters Agend item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats and Rabbit

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Calgary should ban the sale of animals in stores. Period. It encourages the continuation of puppy mills and the irresponsible breeding of exotic pets, cats and dogs. when rescues are overwhelmed and struggling financially day-to-day. It's unethical, unnecessary and adding to an already devastating overpopulation of neglected and unwanted pets. Thank you for your consideration.

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First name [required] **James**

Last name [required] **O'Farrell**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Report# EC2024-1336**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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I'm in support of banning the retail sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits that are not from a shelter. We should not be allowing people to profit at the cost of animal lives.

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For several years the issue of animal welfare has become more commonplace in local and cross-provincial media stories.

Further, pleas from rescue and shelter groups have become more desperate as they report an increase animal abandonment and surrender cases, as well as lack of resources such as shelter space, foster homes and potential adopters to address a growing need. Cited among the reasons are more complex socioeconomic factors, irresponsible animal breeding and our archaic animal welfare laws and practices. The numbers/stats provided by rescues are disturbing and yet we know many cases go unreported. In addition to animals bred and sold in pet stores, there are animals bred by unregulated "backyard breeders" and sold on sites like Kijiji, accidental breeding by owners who acquire unneutered pets, or animals privately rehomed without proper screening methods in place. The sheer availability and accessibility of animals has rendered them instantly gratifying yet disposable. Shelters and rescues are caught in a cycle of responding to crises, which leaves fewer resources for prevention initiatives like education programs, partnering, vacc and neuter programs, helping at-risk owners and their pets, recruitment and fundraising. My husband and I fostered a beautiful dog last year through a local rescue and it took 8 months and a lot of effort to find him a good home. The longer the animal takes to adopt, the fewer animals can be helped. I recently bought dog food for a lady struggling financially who took in a youth and his dog during a family crisis, and I know she can't afford to vet it. She is not alone- how many are out there like this. We need only look at our US neighbors to see how dire and out of control things can get if we don't change our trajectory.

I have a beloved 12 year old rescue dog originally from California- today, our rescue's capacity to partner and take in foreign animals is greatly diminished. I feel for these animals whose governments have underestimated a problem that is spiraling out of control. Millions of dogs die from disease, accidents, torture and of course euthanasia. We need to establish a framework that includes policies and practices for the responsible and ethical treatment of animals. We need a planful, informed, unified and coordinated response to this growing problem. Animals aren't burdens they are companions, healers, teachers, service providers. They feel, hold affection, have longevity and forgive



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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 - Dogs, Cats and Rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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As a volunteer at the Alberta Animal Rescue Society, I can attest to the increased number of people having to surrender pets, abandoning pets or simply releasing them. Some of these cats, dogs and rabbits are in very bad shape when they get to us, and we can spend thousands of dollars trying to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome them. Please help us by approving this motion.

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First name [required] **Joan**

Last name [required] **Sickel-Luciuk**

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[required] - max 75 characters **Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits! A Responsible Pet Sales and Ownership Review**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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Reputable dog breeders sell their dogs themselves, not through pet stores. Puppy mills sell their dogs through pet stores and providing puppy mills a means through which to sell their dogs only encourages them to breed dogs for profit in often deplorable, dirty conditions which results in sick dogs. Often, puppy mill dogs are inbred and have medical conditions. Puppies and dogs who need vet care are more likely to be abandoned or surrendered. Shelters are over-run with these ill dogs and with puppies who are born because owners do not spay/neuter their animals, either because of the high cost or because they are irresponsible pet owners. The same problem exists with cats. Cats are too often seen as disposable and when they produce kittens, they are dumped or abandoned and become problematic when they, too, reproduce. Similarly, tame bunnies are abandoned when they become too expensive or troublesome to owners, then bunnies do what bunnies do, and, every 31 days, there are more bunnies running around the neighbourhood.

There is an abundance of homeless cats, dogs, and rabbits in the many animals shelters across Alberta, so anyone wanting a pet can adopt a neutered pet from them which would help solve the problem of homeless animals instead of adding to the huge existing problem.

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[required] - max 75 characters Item 9.4.6 - dogs, cats, and rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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The sale of animals in any capacity at a pet store or online pet store in Calgary is completely irresponsible right now. Calgary animal rescues are currently overflowing with animals, with wait lists to surrender pets continuing to grow. Calgary animal rescues need help managing the animals we already have — allowing the sale of animals in pet stores hurts animal rescues and it hinders our ability to find homes for the hundreds of animals in our care. Already, puppies and kittens are growing old in our shelters - something very unusual to see. Please help us. Stop the sale of dogs cats and small animals in pet stores.

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First name [required] **Jacqueline**

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[required] - max 75 characters **EC 2024 - 1336 Item 9.4.6: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits!**

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] **In favour**

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It is time - ban the sale of dogs, cats and rabbits. Adopt, don't shop.

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I fully support this motion. The selling of cats, dogs and rabbits in this city is contributing to the abuse, neglect and abandonment of pets that people consider to be disposable property. Rescues are at capacity and are not receiving the support and funding needed from governing bodies, so there is only so much they can do. This situation of dumping wanted pets has become an epidemic in Calgary and this is the first step in helping to rectify the problem. There were up to 1,000 domestic rabbits living in Calgary up until 2022 until the population was decimated by the RHDV2 virus. The City of Calgary did nothing to find a solution to this problem and even created signs at tax payers' expenses labeling them wildlife and that they were not to be fed. Domestic rabbits are not wildlife and are not able to survive outside. There were a plethora of these rabbits living under a City owned shipping container at the entrance to Nose Hill Park and the by-law officer who oversaw this area was regularly heard and seen encouraging dog owners to chase and kill the rabbits. This disconcerting behaviour is not a solution and should have never been allowed by a City employee. When the RHDV2 virus eventually wiped out the rabbit colonies throughout the city, there were carcasses everywhere, which perpetuated the spread of the virus and proper clean up precautions were not adhered to by City workers. Things must change in Calgary and it's time for animal welfare to become a priority. It's misguided to wait for a virus or natural disaster to "clean up" the issue for the City of Calgary. It's time ban the sale of cats, dogs and rabbits in pet stores. It's time to do better.



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[required] - max 75 characters Report: EC2024-1336

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I would like to support the ban of the sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits that are not from local shelters.

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[required] - max 75 characters 9.4.6 Notice of Motion - Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits!

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I support this motion. Please ban the sale of 'mill' type animals to prevent 'mill' breeders from being incentivized to continue their abhorrent practices. Many rescues are over capacity and some having to intervene with 'mill' situations.



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I very much support the ban on selling cats, dogs, rabbits in Calgary at this time. The only cats/dogs/rabbits that should be bought are ones that have been rescued. Even if this is a temporary ban, it would greatly help the already strained rescue organizations and Calgary Humane Centre. On behalf of all the animals that can't speak for themselves-please ban the unnecessary breeding of cats/dogs/rabbits.



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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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[required] - max 75 characters banning sale of dogs, cats, rabbits

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour



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I would love to see retail sales of pets including dogs, cats, and rabbits solely sourced from local shelter and rescue organizations. Additionally with the numbers of intake requests shelters and rescues are experiencing, It would be great to see the City of Calgary implement education programs around the benefits of keeping pet cats indoors, and early spay/neuter information. If possible to implement low cost spay/neuter and veterinary programs that are easily accessible would save a lot of suffering and 'oops' litters.

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I fully support the banning of animals for sale by anyone other than reputable animal rescues. I've spent the last 10+!years in animal rescue and have seen the pandemic of abandoned, neglected animals in communities all across Alberta and Canada. The rapid increase in the amount of surrender applications we are receiving daily is overwhelming and we have no available placements for them. We can not allow breeders, ethical or backyard ones, a platform to profit on the sale of these animals. These breeder's state their animals are not contributing to the unwanted animal population but they are. This past month alone I've received surrender requests from 12 people who bought from a breeder and/or pet store. We must take a stand and stop the for profit animal trade.

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I support the ban of the sale of animals in Calgary in hopes of clearing our desperate animal shelters. As a veterinary student in Calgary, this is a much needed step towards welfare and a step away from puppy mills and poorly bred animals. I have personally seen numerous animals present to a veterinary clinic from one of the local pet stores with extreme health, behavioural, and welfare concerns with new owners that were not educated on the costs of these issues after spending thousands to purchase these animals in the first place.



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Date of meeting [required] Dec 5, 2024

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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There have been a surplus of animals that are being neglected, dropped off at shelters and or abandoned. It breaks my heart to see humans use them for only to profit and sometimes bred in poor conditions. All dogs, cats and rabbits population should be controlled and should be homed first before producing another offspring. Afterall, they just want to be loved, fed and be part of a family.



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I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed review of Calgary's Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw, specifically advocating for the banning of purpose-bred cats, dogs, and rabbits for sale in the city. This step is vital to address pet overpopulation and inhumane breeding practices. With over a decade of experience in animal rescue leadership and the veterinary industry, I urge the City to prioritize these reforms.

The commercial sale of purpose-bred pets fuels overpopulation and supports unethical breeding operations. These animals often face poor living conditions, inadequate healthcare, and a lack of proper socialization, leading to behavioral and health issues that frequently result in abandonment. Redirecting demand toward rescues and shelters encourages responsible pet ownership and reduces strain on local animal welfare organizations.

Affordable veterinary care is essential to public health and animal welfare. Many residents struggle to afford preventative and emergency care, such as vaccinations and spay/neuter surgeries, increasing risks of disease transmission and overpopulation. The City should use the review to also strengthen partnerships with organizations like the Canadian Animal Task Force to provide low-cost care and expand programs targeting underserved communities.

Subsidized spay/neuter initiatives are key to addressing overpopulation. By reducing unwanted litters, Calgary can alleviate the burden on shelters and rescues while minimizing municipal costs. Implementing accessible, low-cost programs will lead to long-term benefits for both animals and residents.

Investing in veterinary care is also a public health priority. Preventing the spread of zoonotic diseases like rabies protects human and animal populations. Expanded vaccination and wellness programs will promote a healthier community and mitigate risks associated with stray and unvaccinated animals.

Comprehensive bylaw reforms will lower shelter intake rates and associated costs, freeing resources for other municipal priorities. Additionally, fostering a culture of adoption and responsible ownership strengthens community ties and aligns Calgary with humane practices seen in leading cities.

I urge the City Council to embrace this opportunity to enact meaningful reforms in Calgary's Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw.



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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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I believe this is a necessary step in curbing the purchase of pets without thorough screening. Rescues and responsible breeders are far more discerning about who adopts animals. Furthermore, they take animals back when owners decide to surrender. This is not the case with pet store sales. Pet store sales and backyard breeders both forego thorough screening in order to pursue profit. While curbing backyard breeders is harder, starting with stores selling commercially produced pets is an essential step forward. We need to ease the strain on animal rescues and city animal services. We also need to address the increasing population of abandoned animals in the province. Calgary should be a leader.

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Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required] In favour

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Animals sold in stores are primarily from commercial breeding facilities (aka puppy mills). NO responsible breeder would EVER sell their animals in a store. These animals have health issues, and are usually what are called "designer" breeds, which in reality are just mixed breeds given a fancy name so they can charge big bucks for them. There are many loving, special animals in rescue that need a home, there is zero need for stores to be selling animals from questionable sources strictly for profit with no regard for animal welfare.

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Dogs, cats, rabbits. Responsible pet ownership, banning sale of animals

Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]

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Please add ALL animals not just cats dogs and rabbits - please add ferrets and other exotics. The exotics, especially ferrets are commercially bred by businesses. Are kept in horrific condition by these retailers who have no education on their care, leading to sick and injured animals. The price for these animals is so high they often live months in poor conditions and if not sold or injured are often disposed of for younger animals/healthier animals.

Please PLEASE PLEASE include a ban the retail sale of exotic animals from any breeder operations - ferrets especially.

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Last name [required] Stobie

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Dear Council Members,

My name is Jazmine Stobie, and I'm writing to you because I care deeply about the ethical treatment of animals and the health of our community.

We often hear the phrase "man's best friend" or "a pet is family." These sentiments reflect our deep emotional bond with animals. Yet, when we look at the current state of pet sales, we see a system that exploits these animals, reduces them to commodities, and too often leads to neglect, suffering, and abandonment.

Imagine the joy of a child hugging their new puppy or a senior finding companionship in a loving cat. These moments define what pets are meant to be - companions who enrich our lives. But behind the scenes of many pet sales, particularly in stores and through commercial breeders, the reality is much different.

Animals in these environments are treated as inventory, not as sentient beings. They are bred in high volumes, often in conditions that prioritize profit over welfare. Puppies and kittens are shipped to stores like products on a conveyor belt, often arriving sick, stressed, or malnourished.

This is not how a loving relationship should begin.

We must consider the impact of this practice on our community. When pet animals are sold as impulse buys, families may not be fully prepared for the lifelong commitment. Too often, these pets end up in shelters, straining local resources. Every year, thousands of animals in our shelters face euthanasia — not because they are unloved, but because there are simply too many and too few homes.

By banning the sale of pet animals, we encourage adoption from shelters and rescues, where animals are waiting for second chances. We promote the values of compassion, responsibility, and sustainability — values that make our community stronger and kinder.

A ban on pet sales doesn't mean a ban on having pets. It means encouraging responsible avenues for pet ownership — adoption and ethical breeders who prioritize the welfare of their animals. It means creating a culture where bringing a pet into your home is a thoughtful, informed decision rather than a transaction driven by convenience or profit.

In the end, our community's strength lies in how we treat the vulnerable - whether human or animal. By banning the sale of pet animals, we take a stand against exploitation, reduce animal suffering, and foster a culture where pets are valued as companions, not commodities.

Let's make this change, not just for animals but for the sake of "humanity".



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I am firmly against pet stores selling pets that are not from rescues. Pet stores should NOT be allowed to utilize puppy mill type situations.



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Good Day Major and Council.

I would like to comment on the Motion to ban sales of cats, dogs and rabbits. Some pet stores have started to take cats from shelters and display them for adoption. Unfortunately this is not done in all stores and not with rabbits, guinea pigs, ferrets and birds.

I would applaud the city of Calgary to implement a ban that stops the sale of any cat, dogs and rabbits in stores. Better even, if the other mentioned species would be added as well.

I also fully agree with the rest of the listed suggestion, especially education of the public and also the GoA.

Shelters, Rescues, Foster Homes are all full and bursting at the seams. It doesn't matter if it's cats, dogs, rabbits or even horses. There are simply not enough homes or foster homes available.

A Alberta wide rescue network group on Facebook gets daily numerous posts of cats and dogs in dire need of help.

All of us in animal rescue get our hearts torn out every day, we spent a lot of time and money to help wherever we can, but it all seems to never be enough.

We need everything in this motion to happen ASAP.

Thank you very much in advance.

Silke Skinner

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All animal rescues and shelters are at capacity or well over capacity with all the animals either surrendered or abandoned. There is no more room or resources left to help the animals that currently need it, why add more animals to the situation. There are plenty of animals that need loving homes in shelters. The added money from animal adoption also adds to help those that are still in shelters until they are adopted. It is too easy to go to a store and buy an animal and not properly think through what is needed to keep this animal long term. Please ban the sale of these animals and lets focus on rescuing.