From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Trisha Linebarger</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission

Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2018 12:56 PM

To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>

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Agency: TEXAS FUNERAL SERVICE COMMISSION TFSC

First Name: Elwynn

Last Name: Allen

Title: Owner

Organization you are affiliated with: Kerrville Funeral Home

Email:

City: Kerrville

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

I am in total agreement with the staff recommendation to continue the agency for another 12 years. The TFSC is vital to consumer protection, and has done an excellent job in doing so.

I am concerned about the recommendation of making the cemetery position on the Board a public member, please see below my comments on rectifying this.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I would recommend you considering making the Cemetery position on the Board a Crematory position instead of a public member. Cremation is steadily on the rise in Texas, with my creations in Kerrville being at 60% of my business here. We need someone on the board that is knowledgeable of this area of the profession since it has become such a large portion of the death care industry. The balance of 4 public members and 3 industry members has worked very well, and by just adjusting the one position to a crematory owner/operator would certainly keep that balance in place.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree