

**From:** [Sunset Advisory Commission](#)  
**To:** [Cecelia Hartley](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Form submission from: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)  
**Date:** Thursday, November 06, 2014 5:18:41 PM

---

-----Original Message-----

From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]  
Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2014 11:08 AM  
To: Sunset Advisory Commission  
Subject: Form submission from: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Submitted on Thursday, November 6, 2014 - 11:08

Agency: TEXAS COUNCIL PURCHASING PEOPLE DISABILITIES TCPD

First Name: Brandy

Last Name: Lee

Title: Vice President Frost Bank

Organization you are affiliated with: EXPANCO

Email: brandy.lee@frostbank.com

City: Fort Worth

State: Texas

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

David Dodson, the President of EXPANCO has already submitted a public comment. I support his concerns that eliminating the TCPD would not be in the best interest of the disabled workers that EXPANCO serves. I am concerned that transferring oversight and administration of the State Use Program to the Comptroller of Public Accounts would severely dilute the State's commitment to people with disabilities in achieving maximum personal independence through productive employment. TCPD is comprised of a volunteer council with extensive knowledge of the State Use Program and a proven track record of serving the needs of Texans with disabilities as a nonpartisan partner between government and private nonprofit Community Rehabilitation Programs.

TCPD completely understands that supporting Community Rehabilitation Programs, like EXPANCO, benefit individuals with disabilities, their families and our state through less reliance of governmental assistance and additional local tax revenue.

Changing the oversight of this program will not benefit the individuals we work with at EXPANCO. TCPD has a great amount of experience, expertise and dedication regarding our Texans with disabilities. They have proven their effectiveness over the last 35 years.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

I have read the response of the TCPD to the Staff recommendations and believe that there are options to consider that do have some merit.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree