Jeff,

Please add to the AG-20 cemeteries record. Thank you,

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Subject: Letter In Support Of Cemeteries in AG-20 Zones

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Dear Mr. Catching,

I am writing regarding Public Hearing Item #2 scheduled for the November 21, 2024, meeting. This item proposes allowing new cemeteries as a conditional use accessory to existing churches within the AG-20 zone.

As Clark County continues to grow, the need for additional cemeteries increases. Along with growth comes busy roads & congestion. From a safety perspective, it would be practical to have cemeteries on the same site as church buildings. This would reduce the need for funeral processions on the roads, easing traffic congestion. Additionally, many existing cemeteries lack sufficient parking, which often forces vehicles to park along narrow, two-lane roads with limited shoulders, creating significant safety hazards.

We believe that amending the code to allow cemeteries as a conditional use permit where churches exist in the AG-20 zone would benefit the citizens of Clark County.

We fully support the Planning Commission's approval of this amendment.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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