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Narrative Statement: Alternative Standard Request for Ancillary Storage Enclosure

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing on behalf of **Starship Bagel**, located at 1108 W Main Street in Lewisville, to formally request an alternative standard of approval for the continued use of our outdoor accessory storage container.

Starship Bagel has been honored to call Lewisville home since our inception. In that time, we have received significant critical and competitive recognition on both local and national levels. We are proud to be the only food establishment in Denton County to be nominated for a James Beard Award, featured in Bon Appétit magazine, and selected to appear in an upcoming episode of Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives on Food Network. These achievements have brought positive attention not just to our business, but to the City of Lewisville as a culinary destination.

As our business has grown, so too have our operational needs. Unfortunately, our current indoor footprint is no longer sufficient to support essential storage requirements, particularly for packaging materials. Due to large minimum order quantities and necessary stockpiling of items like bags, boxes, and cleaning supplies, we rely on an outdoor container to maintain efficient daily operations. The container does **not** house any food, perishable items, or organic materials—only packaging, trash bags, cleaning products, and spare equipment parts.

At the time the container was placed, other containers were already in use behind our building—including those belonging to neighboring businesses like Ace Hardware. We acted under the understanding that a precedent for such storage had long been established with landlord approval. Only recently were we made aware that a permit may have been required, and we were encouraged by city staff to pursue an alternative standard rather than remove the container.

We want to reaffirm our commitment to operating within city guidelines and maintaining the highest standards of professionalism and cleanliness. We are not seeking relocation outside of Lewisville, but without our container, our ability to operate effectively is jeopardized. This container is not a convenience—it is an operational necessity.

We respectfully ask that the City of Lewisville grant approval under an alternative standard to allow us to continue using our existing container. We are open to discussing any reasonable conditions or aesthetic adjustments that may help us meet city expectations while still allowing us to serve our community and represent Lewisville on a national stage.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Oren Salomon
Owner, Starship Bagel