



Dear Mr. Jones,

I am writing to formally request that Bar25 be granted permission by the city of Newburyport to keep our planters in place against the building during the fall and winter seasons. Currently, we are burdened with excessive costs associated with storing these planters during the off-season, as well as arranging for their setup and pickup. Over the past three seasons, we have paid approximately \$10,000 per season for these services.

It is important to note that we pay the same outdoor dining fees as other restaurants using parklets in the area, yet we are not provided with the same level of support by the city. Unlike other establishments, whose parklet storage is managed by the city, we are required to bear the additional expenses of setting up and dismantling our patio. Additionally, it appears that the city even covers the costs of flowers for these establishments.

We believe this lack of parity is unjust, as we are already contributing the same amount as other restaurants. Our proposed solution is to neatly stack the planters against the building, ensuring that they do not impede snow removal or pose any tripping hazards. Furthermore, we are committed to maintaining the aesthetic standards of downtown Newburyport by planting seasonal floral arrangements in these planters at our own cost.

For your reference, I have attached an illustration of our proposal. Should there be any inquiries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience. We sincerely appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Best regards,
Reza Rahmani

