

# HERITAGE SOCIETY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

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Chris Looney, Planning and Zoning  
Mayor Rusty Brockman  
City Council Members  
City of New Braunfels  
550 Landa Street  
New Braunfels, Tx 78130

Mr. Mayor and City Council Members,

The Heritage Society of New Braunfels inc. (a 501(c)3 Non profit) has operated Heritage Village and the Museum of Texas Handmade Furniture located at 1370 Church Hill Dr since 1985 with the mission to preserve and protect the History and Heritage of New Braunfels and Comal County through our museum and community outreach programs. As the unprecedented growth that our city has experienced in the past few years continues, it is important for us to find new and innovative ways to make our organization financially sustainable so that we can continue bringing the people of New Braunfels the high quality, family friendly, educational programming that they have come to expect.

To that end, the Heritage Society is seeking to make use of the single unit, 450 square foot apartment located in an outbuilding located on our historic campus that recently underwent renovations as a short-term rental. After reviewing the requirements to obtain licensure through the city planner's office, it was discovered that the fees for the license for this project would cost us in excess of \$4000.00. Our board of Directors feels that this amount is excessive and would put undue stress on our budget without a variance from the city. It is with this in mind that we humbly ask City Council to consider waiving the fees associated with the permitting of the museum's single unit to let out as a short-term rental.

Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this matter,

Justin Ball  
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