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*HOUSING, HOMELESSNESS & PARKS (HHP)

Kalaeloa Parklands Interim Dirt Racetrack Status and Community Considerations - Presented by the Department of Parks and Recreation Testimony

***HOUSING, HOMELESSNESS & PARKS (HHP) Meeting**

Meeting Date: Aug 19, 2025 @ 02:30 PM

Support: 58

Oppose: 0

I wish to comment: 3

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Oahu Motorsports Association	Support	Aug 16, 2025 @ 05:46 PM

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 17, 2025 @ 09:51 AM

Testimony:

I Support the Oahu Public Motorsports Park at Kalaeloa and the Pickleball people need to stay away from us and go somewhere else far away from us to complain, this is the only place suitable land for motorsports that's Zoned T-2 under HCDA for Noise at Military /Airport Eco Industrial Noise levels that exceeds 65 DB day and night ... these pickle ball guys can go anywhere else and should go somewhere else . Why do they want to be next to a recreation that they despise ??????

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Walter Garrett	walterjgarrett@icloud.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 17, 2025 @ 12:02 PM

Testimony:

I support this track as a way to build community. We've not had a track on Oahu for too long and it's about time we work together to designate a space that all can use. This is the perfect underutilized space that has good access, is mostly flat, and isn't too close to residential or similar areas. I was born in 1944 and race culture has been a history here in Hawaii since my childhood.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Bernie Pang	b96813@gmail.com	96813
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 17, 2025 @ 12:30 PM

Testimony:

I support this Hawai'i needs motor sports park

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Samuel Yee	Sammyee@roadrunner.com	96701
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 17, 2025 @ 12:49 PM

Testimony:

Approximately 70% of Hawaii's population lives on Oahu, which means about 70% of the tax base if from this island. Oahu is the only main island without a racetrack. Please approve this land for a racetrack that all residents can have a safe place to race our cars.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Sam Yee

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Cliff Vierra	mybuynsell808@gmail.com	96782
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 17, 2025 @ 01:48 PM

Testimony:

I grew up on the racetrack back in the 60s 70s and 80s, drag strip and oveltrack also go karting .

We really need this to happen traveling to Maui and Hilo just to go races is just too much. The Young Generation does not have any auto sports to getting followed in. We travel all the way to the mainland just to go watch drag racing. We really need your support and help to accomplish this task. Thank you very much

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Mark Muranaka	mtmura123@gmail.com	96818
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 17, 2025 @ 02:55 PM

Testimony:

I support the construction of the race track at its planned location in Kalaeloa.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Judith Magin	judymagin723@yahoo.com	96822
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 17, 2025 @ 02:57 PM

Testimony:

My name is JUDY MAGIN and I am a senior citizen who has been involved and active in motor sports for over 60 years. I am still active in the sport. I support the Draft Master Plan for the Motor Sports Park. I will continue to support motor sports. Thank you.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Aaron Correa	aaroncorrea34@gmail.com	96707
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 17, 2025 @ 07:53 PM

Testimony:

I am in full support of the dirt/asphalt track in Kalaeloa barbers point. Our island needs more motorsports recreation

parks to provide an outlet for our racers. All the other islands have something, O'ahu needs a raceway park/ facility.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Nicholas Monlux	nrm@ksglaw.com	96789
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 17, 2025 @ 09:15 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Committee Members,

My name is Nick Monlux and I am an attorney here on Oahu. More importantly, I am a motorsports enthusiast, father of four, and life-long resident of Hawaii. Thank you very much for taking time to consider the community's opinion regarding the future of the Motorsports Park and racetrack. I write to voice my very strong support for a motorsports park/racetrack, which I believe will benefit the community, its youth, its residents, and visitors alike.

It has been 27+ years that Oahu has been without a racetrack or dedicated motorsports park. Having recently attended motorsports events on Kauai and the mainland, I can confidently state that a motorsports park in Kalaeloa will bring families and the community together. Indeed, when on Kauai and the mainland attending motorsports events, I observed youth of all ages attending and participating in various types of racing, working on vehicles, etc. What this demonstrated to me is that our youth--when given resources--are interested in these types of activities. In fact, my 15-year old daughter and I have been restoring a 1966 mustang together for the past 2 years. I've been able to teach her about cars, the mechanics and physics that goes into the operation of the engine, electrical system, etc. She has shown a keen interest in learning about cars and how they work. I can only imagine how much more I could have taught her and piqued her interest in STEM-type careers if we had a motorsports park on Oahu where she could see the theory in action in races, demonstrations, events, and the like.

I know there may be those who oppose this effort. That is their prerogative; however, I believe those who oppose the construction and maintenance of a motorsports park/racetrack do not fully understand what it will do for our community and more importantly, our youth. I think if those who opposed the park would simply go to the race track on Kauai, the Big Island, and/or Maui, they would see and understand just how much of a community/family activity motorsports can be, and how their concerns are based on ignorance and unfounded fears.

Again, thank you for considering my testimony, and once again, I strongly support the establishment of a motorsports park/racetrack on Oahu.

Best Regards,

Nick Monlux

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Les Vallarano	lesvallarano@yahoo.com	96797

Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 12:44 AM

Testimony:

I strongly support the City's efforts to build a Racetrack on the former Barber's Point military airstrip, and surrounding areas. This is an ideal location, and has been used successfully in the past for racing. Oahu has been without a Racetrack for several decades now, and the City had promised to find an alternative to Hawaii Raceway Park, when the efforts to save the Park were not supported. The City now has an excellent opportunity to keep that promise. Thank you.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 12:50 AM

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Christine Pratt	christinepratt31@gmail.com	96744
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 07:13 AM

Testimony:

Aloha,

I am writing to you to support the proposed motor sport use for the Kalaeloa land on Oahu. Sadly, our island has been without a venue for motor sports for many years. As a member of Hawaii Rally Sport Association, and NASA (National Auto Sport Association) I look forward to the development of an area for many types of vehicles, both “on” and “off” road. The proposed site has dirt roads as well as paved areas and it seems to be a perfect match for racing.

My personal experience with auto racing began with Hawaii Rally Sport Association for off-road racing and then to autocross style racing at Aloha stadium. Together with my son, a young teenage driver, and a 1999 Miata, we learned how to better our driving skills, understand engineering, mechanics and repair. We discovered a diverse group of participants who truly inspire us with their various skills, from welding to tuning, engine swapping...things beyond my imagination.

We discovered a significant source of knowledge. As our vehicles evolve, we need to support the engineers and designers that are emerging, and the ones that have been around for years! We need a place for the machinery they design and develop to be tested and raced.

I am also a member of the British Car Club and hope to have a paved track to race vehicles on as well.

I am travelling on the mainland right now and will not be able to attend this meeting. I do hope that the unique needs of the motorsports community will be met in this newly acquired recreational area.

Thank you for your help,

Christine Pratt Burke

Kahaluu

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Avery Tsui	averytsui@gmail.com	96701

Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Hawaii Rally Sport Association	I wish to comment	Aug 18, 2025 @ 08:20 AM

Testimony:

"Honorable City Council,

My name is Avery Tsui, I'm a father of three young adults and make my living as a project engineer for a local electrical contractor.

I'm also involved with the Hawaii Rally Sport Association (HRSA) and National Auto Sport Association (NASA) Hawaii Region. HRSA is a 501(c)4 nonprofit. I'm also involved with the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) Big Island of Hawaii Region.

I support the Oahu Public Motorsports Park at Kalaeloa. The Kalaeloa site is the only place with suitable land for a City Motorsports Park on Oahu. It can be developed similar to government owned sites on Kauai, Maui and the Big Island.

The proposed site is at the end of an active runway. The land is Zoned T-2 under HCDA for Noise at Military /Airport Eco Industrial areas. With noise levels that exceeds 65 DB day and night. The site is always hot and dry and not suitable for other sports activities. There is existing asphalt at the site which can be used for motorsports events.

The nearby Pride Baseball Field facility is unused and impossible to maintain. The hot and dry conditions don't allow grass to grow without overuse of our precious water supply. The hot and dry area and unkempt fields makes playing ball at the Pride park unsafe and uncomfortable.

The Motorsports Community will work with the City and residents of Oahu to mitigate noise, dust and safety concerns. The youth of Oahu will benefit from the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) based principles that Motorsports competition promotes. Local businesses will benefit from the increased activities and sales Motorsports events provide. "

Respectfully, Avery Tsui"

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Daniel Lalosin	Daniel.lalosin@yahoo.com	96819
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 08:36 AM

Testimony:

I support the motorsports facility in kalaeloa, ive been supporting the movement for the need of an "public" racetrack since the old racetrack closed

Name:	Email:	Zip:

George Silva	ihorhay@gmail.com	96795
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Aug 18, 2025 @ 08:41 AM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair, Members of the Committee, and Department of Parks and Recreation representatives,

My name is George Silva, and I submit this testimony in strong support of the proposed Interim Dirt Racetrack at Kalaeloa Parklands.

Motorsports kept me off the streets. Without access to organized racing and the mentors who guided me, I likely would have become another unfortunate statistic. Instead, I found structure, discipline, and a sense of belonging—opportunities this facility could now offer to today's youth.

I understand this track is being considered as an interim use, but it has the potential to be far more than just a temporary recreational space. It could become a vital resource for community safety, youth development, and positive cultural expression.

This project reflects the core values of the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA), which include safe, fair, and competitive motorsports; community connection through mentorship; and accessibility and inclusion for all participants.

The Kalaeloa Interim Dirt Racetrack would provide a controlled environment that redirects youth from illegal street racing and other high-risk behaviors, replacing danger with discipline and turning adrenaline into accountability. Organized motorsports connect young people with experienced mentors—drivers, mechanics, and event organizers—who teach valuable life and technical skills while encouraging personal growth.

Hawai'i's car culture is longstanding and significant. This project honors that legacy while supporting local entrepreneurship, hands-on learning, and future career pathways in automotive, STEM, and event management. In line with the SCCA's commitment to inclusion, this racetrack could be made accessible to all—regardless of income, background, or experience—broadening access to motorsports in our state.

This track has the potential to make a lasting difference. It could be more than a stopgap—it could be a turning point. By creating a safe and structured outlet, we provide real alternatives for young people who, like I once was, may be looking for direction and purpose.

Mahalo for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Respectfully,

George Silva

Name:	Email:	Zip:
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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 09:10 AM

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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 09:25 AM

Testimony:

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for the proposed dirt track in Kalaeloa. This project means more to me than just a place to race—it represents a chance to revive a cherished tradition that once brought families and communities together across O‘ahu.

I grew up at Hawaii Raceway Park back in the early 1980s. My dad was a racer, and my grandfather made car parts for many of the local drivers. Every weekend was family night at the track—filled with excitement, camaraderie, and memories that shaped who I am today. When the track was shut down, it left a void that has never been consistently filled since.

Despite the challenges, I’ve continued to race—but now I have to fly over 2,000 miles to California and Arizona just to participate in the sport I love. It’s a sacrifice I make because racing is in my blood. But my dream is bigger than that: I want my grandkids to grow up around racing, just like I did. I want them to experience the thrill, the discipline, and the community that comes with it.

The proposed dirt track in Kalaeloa is a chance to restore that legacy. It would:

- Reignite a beloved tradition for local families
- Create opportunities for local businesses and craftsmen
- Offer a safe, family-friendly venue for weekend gatherings
- Reduce the need for racers to travel thousands of miles to compete

I urge you to consider the deep cultural and personal significance this track holds for so many of us. Let’s bring racing back to Oahu—not just for today’s drivers, but for the generations to come.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Kala Keliinoi

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Patrick Casey	pcasey@hawaii.rr.com	96734
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 10:19 AM

Testimony:

Since 2006, Oahu has been without a much-needed motorsport venue. Oahu has the largest population of vehicles in Hawaii. Competition is part of our species' DNA; we've raced every form of transportation invented. We need an safe and legal outlet to pursue, and enjoy, vehicular competition.

The motorsports community, and the population of Oahu, will benefit from the building of a motorsports park, to provide a venue to practice and enjoy various forms of motorsports. Of significant importance is that having a motorsports park will help improve traffic safety, by providing a dedicated outlet for racing, and reduce dangerous, and illegal, street racing.

Thank you,

Patrick Casey

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Bobby Carrick	carricktowingrepair@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 10:34 AM

Testimony:

Please consider the need for a public race track facility to be built here on Oahu. We (the racers) have absolutely no legal facility to do what we love while many other sports, hobbies, or recreational activities have multiple facilities to make use of. I can never understand why the racetrack has to overcome so many hurdles in order to be built while other projects continue moving forward even when they are opposed. The truth is that not everyone enjoys or wants a racetrack, but why is that enough for one not to happen for those that would enjoy it? I think we all can agree that giving everyone a safe place to go and express their love for speed will tremendously reduce racing on our roadways. As I always have said, before trying to see the race track fail or not be built, please ask yourself how you would feel if you had no where to go and enjoy the sport that you love. Pickleball, tennis, basketball, volleyball, baseball, football, golf, bowling, and exercise are just a few that have multiple facilities while we still do not have a single race track. Please hear our voices and consider giving us a place to do what we love. Thank you for your time!

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Tasia Moniz	tasia.moniz10@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 10:34 AM

Testimony:

We are in support for moving forward with a race track. We are the only island that does not have a Motorsport track and

our island is in dire need of a place that family and friends can come together and race in a safe environment than taking it to the streets. It’s been over 20 years since oahus race track closed. Why can’t we have a race track! If we cant have a race track then the state should close all race track on the outer islands. What goes for one goes for all! It’s time! Give the people, the community what they want and it’s a race track!!!

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Ian Correia	mustbtuned@gmail.com	96701
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 10:39 AM

Testimony:

Dear Esteemed Councilmembers,

My name is Ian Correia, and I am a law abiding, tax paying citizen, born and raised in hawaii, and I am an avid car enthusiast, and I have been wishing for a motorsports venue since the loss of Hawaii Raceway Park. I am here to respectfully urge you to approve this long-overdue motorsports facility, which will be a significant asset to our community and a vital component of Oahu's economic future. The time for this project is now.

A Community-Driven Solution

For nearly two decades since the closure of the Hawaii Raceway Park, Oahu has lacked a dedicated motorsports facility. This absence has not stifled the passion for racing; it has simply forced it onto our public streets, creating dangerous and illegal street racing. The proposed race track is the solution to this problem. It will provide a safe, controlled, and legal venue for enthusiasts, diverting this activity away from our neighborhoods and roadways, and enhancing public safety for all residents.

This project isn't just a racetrack; it’s a community hub. It will host not only car and motorcycle events but also serve as a venue for driver training, safety courses, and community events, fostering a positive, family-friendly environment. Our design includes sound mitigation technologies to minimize noise impact on neighboring communities, and the land has been carefully selected to be a good fit for this type of use.

A Powerful Economic Engine

The economic advantages of this project are substantial and will be felt across multiple sectors of our economy. A new motorsports facility will:

* Diversify our tourism economy: It will attract both domestic and international visitors, bringing in a new niche of sports tourism. Racers, teams, and fans will travel to Oahu for events, filling hotels, renting cars, and patronizing local businesses, especially during traditionally slower tourism seasons.

* Create jobs: The construction and ongoing operation of the facility will create numerous jobs, from skilled trades and maintenance to hospitality, event management, and retail. It will support local businesses by creating a demand for everything from catering and security services to equipment and parts suppliers.

* Generate tax revenue: The facility will be a source of significant tax revenue for the city and state, from sales tax on tickets and concessions to property and business taxes. These funds can be reinvested into our community services and infrastructure.

* Spur economic development: The racetrack will be an anchor for a motorsports-related commercial ecosystem, attracting businesses that specialize in automotive repair, performance parts, and training. This will create a virtuous cycle of economic growth and innovation.

Oahu has the opportunity to lead the way in sustainable and responsible motorsports. This project is a chance to not only provide a safe outlet for a passionate community but also to inject a new, dynamic component into our economy. Approving this land use will demonstrate this council's commitment to public safety, economic diversification, and a vibrant future for our island.
Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to working with you to make this vision a reality.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Khalid Beard	Khalidbeard992@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 10:49 AM

Testimony:
It can provide a safe and controlled environment for racing enthusiasts, attract tourism, and create jobs. Furthermore, it can foster community engagement, provide a venue for family-friendly entertainment, and even offer educational opportunities related to motorsports.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Michael Omiya	mikeomiya55chevy@gmail.com	96701
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 10:52 AM

Testimony:
Build the track

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Junior Alimoot	junez_96744@yahoo.com	96744
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 12:13 PM

Testimony:
Please Please Please

We Need this race track ASAP

It’s been Way too Long for us Motorsports enthusiast to be without a place to satisfy our need for speed. It also is Very Expensive for us to be flying over to the neighbor islands and the mainland to go racing when here on Oahu there’s So many racecars wasting away because the owners simply can’t afford to ship their race cars over to the outer islands. The

street racing scene should not be the only option here on Oahu. I'm sure if Volunteering is offered to help keep costs down the racing community will step up, I sure will.

Let's Move Forward On The Kalaeloa Parklands Race Track.

Thank You

Name:	Email:	Zip:
BRETT PRUITT	brett@grassshack.net	96730
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
British Car Club of Hawaii	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 12:31 PM

Testimony:

Aloha,

As the President of the British car Club of Hawaii, our 125 members would like to voice our support for the new motorsports park.

It is just a failure, that our community does not have a race track while the other islands have county supported facilities. This location is uniquely situated to have a motorsports park. Over 30 years ago we had a karting track on this property with the Pacific Karting Club. The club dissolved after the Navy disbursed the land and we had to move to Hawaii Raceway Park and then closed.

We need this facility to bring back all the friends and families in the racing community. The small number of folks here today does not represent the size of the constituency if favor of this project. Our community needs this facility and I ask for your support.

Thank you.

Brett Pruitt

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Shirreen Keliinoi	toots103012@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 12:39 PM

Testimony:

I support the race facility as it has served as gathering place for all to enjoy. It builds family connections, teaches the young early mechanic skills and builds memories that last a long time.

I come from a family that was always at the oval race track. If we wanted to go races, we had to do our home chores, be ready by 4pm and head out to the track. At one point we had 4 generations at the track. Our parents never worried about us on the weekends because we were all together at the races. We went together and came home together.

It’s memories that I only wish we could relive. Building a new track will allow others to build memories, give these talented racers a place to showcase their talent and inspire our youth to become awesome mechanics. It will create a learning environment for those looking into the automotive industry.

Create it and people will come. Create hands on learning environment by inviting local high school auto mechanics shops to take part in the events. There is so much to offer in the field of racing. Give these car enthusiasts a place to showcase case their talents. Make it family friendly!

I support this track and hope to be watching some good racing soon! Mahalo nui for your time. Mālama Pono!

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Daniel Benz	1337z33@gmail.com	96822
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
EV Autosports Association	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 12:46 PM

Testimony:

I am writing on behalf of the EV auto sports association. We are in support of the development of a racetrack in Kalaeoloa. EVs racing is a fun and a green way to enjoy motorsports and gives owners of these very powerful vehicles a way to safely learn how to handle these vehicles. Having a motorsports facility to allow for this has been long overdue and is a welcome addition to the city

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Sheldon Moniz	rockstarservices1@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	I wish to comment	Aug 18, 2025 @ 12:54 PM

Testimony:

Hi my name is Sheldon Moniz , owner and operator of rockstar services and trucking ! I’m here in full support of a racing facility. My family been racing from aloha stadium days! Me and my brother’s were born and raised at the race track from watching our dad who was known and noticed as one of Hawaiis racing legends to following in his footsteps and becoming drivers of our own! If I had one wish it would be to be able to raise my children at the track like I was ! Some wouldn’t understand it but racing has not only given me an adrenaline rush it’s thought me so much! Racing for one took so much of my time it kept me off the streets. I started racing at the age of 14 in full size cars and as I was busy building race cars and racing a few of my friends join me from school and learn so much while others went to the beach at night and eventually got into drinking and so on! Racing has thought me hard work , pride and how to never give up! Today I run my own trucking company and do heavy equipment mechanic work! With so much crime going on in our streets with our youth and wreck less driving and racing on the streets we need a safe facility not just to race at but to learn at, learning the safety the dangers and the craftsmanship and hard work something a lot of our youth is missing ! If racing kept me off the streets im sure it could keep another kid off the street and 1 alone is a win! It saddens me that with the cost of living and cost of travel and shipping that we have to participate in what we love doing someplace else like the

outer island or mainland but with the love and passion for the sport there is a lot of us racers that make the sacrifice and travel while others unfortunately moved away ! Speaking of that my oldest brother is one that moved to chase the dream with his kids and grandkids! Why is it so hard to allow us to race here ? The other island ain't got half of the racing community like us ! Oahu has had and held some of the greatest racing events like the usac sprint car race or the Alaska shoot out ! Us racers have a love for a sport to and pay our dues as well! We do so much for our community but get heard the least! Every where I look I see a golf course or baseball field or community park but not 1 race track facility! Sadly we lost so much of our local parts stores and machine shops due to the track closing down! I hope the community can understand that a racing facility can bring so much more good for our community then bad! I'd Ike to see our emergency responders be able to have a nice spot to come out and do training at as well! Ever thought of that ? A nice place to get some driving lessons for HPD or a spot to train HFD to use jaws of life or train to control different types of fires! I'm so sick of hearing that racing will cause noise pollution or contamination to the air or soil that's just crap, so what does our airplanes do daily ? Or farm tractors with oil leaks do or when they eventually blow a hydraulic ram and loose oil ? Us racers put in so much money and pride into our cars that the chances of us damaging our environment is a lot less than farming! Please give us a chance and hear us out! This is our home to stop listening to so much outside people and listen to your people that was born and raise here that works here that helps our island go around! That's us!! Thank you in advance and see you all at the new race track. God is good! Aloha

Mr. Moniz

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Zeighthan Tiapula	zeighthant@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 12:58 PM

Testimony:

I support the racetrack in kalaeloa because I feel it's a legal and safe way for families to come together and enjoy something they love doing and/or watching. A racetrack in kalaeloa would be a benefit to the community.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Chris Muraoka	chrism@surecanhi.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 01:00 PM

Testimony:

This race track has to happen. I challenge you to name another sport where family has so much involvement? Racing will not only keep the streets safe, but it will keep families together. A family that's stays together stays out of trouble.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Chad Moniz	chadmoniz1822@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 01:02 PM

Testimony:

All for building race track grew up around the dirt track and raced there with my family would love to see my kids racing

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Joshua Sydow	Josh6675@gmail.com	96822
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 01:06 PM

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Rex Kamakana	rexkamakana@gmail.com	96748
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 01:24 PM

Testimony:

I support getting a race track on Oahu.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Nancy Morgan	namorgans@aol.com	96730
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 01:42 PM

Testimony:

Aloha,

Oahu needs a Motorsports venue. I know many racers and all are upstanding members of our community. They deserve a place to do their sport safely as people can on the outer islands.

Kalaeloa is the perfect place for this. Please vote to move forward with this important project.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Jesse Imamura	JLIMAMURA@GMAIL.COM	96797
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 02:02 PM

Testimony:

My name is Jesse Imamura. I support the race track. I am 43, married, with two boys, one licensed and one almost permit age. I have been doing autocross at Aloha Stadium for the past 3 years, and also on the Big Island. I've been fortunate enough to attend several events when the Hawaii Raceway Park was still open with both my father and fellow enthusiasts.

It is unfortunate that Hawaii's population center no longer has any outlet for the numerous automotive enthusiasts. It is even more unfortunate that some go as far to turn to the public freeways under the cover of night, when the roads are less populated, just to express their love and enjoyment of motorsports.

I really hope we can have a return of a dedicated facility to safely and legally enjoy motorsports as a community. I urge you to consider the profound positive impact this new facility would promote.

Mahalo,

Jesse Imamura

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Tessy Kekahuna	tessyk81@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 02:29 PM

Testimony:

Please bring back racetrack it’s a great event to bring the community together and for racers and enthusiasts alike to have fun and be in a safe environment.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Shane Kekahuna	kekahuna6@icloud.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 02:37 PM

Testimony:

Please bring back racetrack for the community it’s a must have place for racers to show their talent.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Teisha Kealoha-Kekahuna	teishalee.kealoha@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 03:49 PM

Testimony:

I’m all for it! Let’s bring back the good old days — a time when families and friends could come together, have fun, and do what they love. These kinds of activities not only build community, but they also give our kids something positive to be a part of. If we want to reduce the violence happening in Hawai‘i, we need to create spaces for them to grow and thrive. Bring back the race tracks and let’s restore what made our islands special!

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Kyle Eligio	kyleeligio3x@gmail.com	96819
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 03:50 PM

Testimony:

We need a race track to get Speeding off the roads for a better place Honolulu needs the track

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Koen Yee	koenyee@outlook.com	96701
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 03:54 PM

Testimony:

Hawaii needs a race track! It would give car and bike enthusiasts a safe place to enjoy what they love instead of racing on the streets, plus it would bring in tourism, events, and jobs. A track would create an awesome community space for locals and visitors while putting Hawaii on the map for motorsports.

Thanks ! -Koen

Name:	Email:	Zip:
clinton cidade	ckcfive@gmail.com	96797
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 04:34 PM

Testimony:

I've been trying to to submit testimony for "KALAELOA PARKLANDS INTERIM DIRT RACETRACK STATUS AND COMMUNITY CONSIDERATIONS - PRESENTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION"

Hopefully this reaches the correct peoples,

I'm in full support of any and all types of Motorsports. Oahu needs an outlet for its residents to learn more about vehicle safety, vehicle mannerism and how to react when given a situation where one's reaction could save the life of themselves and others around them.

My name is Clinton Cidade,

I appreciate your time and energy mahalo.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Kaleoikamakamaeapomaikaiokalani Cacho-Kekahuna	klcachokekahuna@gmail.com	96706
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 05:49 PM

Testimony:

This will be a good thing for the Leeward side.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Kamry Keliikoa	kamxxk@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 05:59 PM

Testimony: I support		
Name: Kaila Mada	Email: rncinda808@outlook.com	Zip: 96706
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Aug 18, 2025 @ 06:39 PM
Testimony: Hawaii Raceway Park and Kalaeloa Racepark did not cause a disturbance to surrounding residents. We need a track on Kalaeloa, on Oahu. Residents' reed a venue because speed racing is a sport. Please work with the men who are trying to make this happen.		
Name: Shania Lee Kealoha-Kekahuna	Email: kekahunashania@gmail.com	Zip: 96792
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Aug 18, 2025 @ 07:14 PM
Testimony: In support of the race track. We need this track to bring our community together and for racers to have somewhere to race at instead of the freeway.		
Name: Brandon Akau	Email: olenz1982@gmail.com	Zip: 96792
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Aug 18, 2025 @ 07:35 PM
Testimony: I fully support the building of a motorsport facility for the community. My family has been heavily involved in auto racing since before I was born.(1978) Racing is definitely family oriented. Fathers, mothers, uncles and aunties prepare all week just to go racing on a Saturday night. Knowledge is passed down to the younger generations teaching them how to work with their hands, to build and create. Teaching them problem solving skills using mathematics, science and physics. Children get so excited about the race weekend that they do well in school just to be sure that they can go to the races on Saturday. The things that they learn help guide them through life and sometimes open up opportunities they never thought were possible.		
Name: Keossie Paris Bailey	Email: keossiemppb@gmail.com	Zip: 96792
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Aug 18, 2025 @ 08:37 PM
Testimony:		

My Dad and lots of my family members loved this place and grew up on this track. For generations they shared a love for racing and the things families could do there besides watch the races. We would love nothing more than for this track to make its return.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Janet Keliikoa	jledokeliikoa@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 08:44 PM

Testimony:

I support.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Roxy Silva	roxysilva808@gmail.com	96786
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 18, 2025 @ 10:05 PM

Testimony:

I grew up racing at the kalaeloa race park. I have so many memories, racing my quad with my brother and watching my dad race. I would love to carry on those memories and create new ones with my own kids. Let the people have a race track and people would have a place to go fast and be safe about it. The racing Ohana is a very big and close community and you'll see how the people will come together in a positive way. Aloha! and thank you for your time.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Timo King	00fervent_stupors@icloud.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 05:22 AM

Testimony:

Aloha,

Oahu, Hawaii has been without a dedicated motorsports facility since the closure of Hawaii Raceway Park in 2006. The lack of such a venue on the island has led to a significant increase in illegal street racing and off-roading, posing dangers to both participants and the public.

According to Oahu Mayor Blangiardi, the absence of a racetrack on the island likely contributes to more drivers speeding on roads and highways. In fact, between 2015 and 2020, speed was cited as a factor in over 32% of fatal crashes and 16% of serious injury crashes on Oahu.

A dedicated racing facility would provide a safe and legal environment for enthusiasts to pursue their passion for motorsports. This aligns with efforts to reduce illegal street racing and off-roading, particularly in areas prone to unauthorized activity.

It is worth noting that Oahu is reportedly the only main Hawaiian island without a racetrack, while others like Maui, Kauai, and the Big Island in Hilo already have facilities for motorsports recreation.

Furthermore, a racetrack could offer opportunities to engage youth in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) based activities, as motorsports can captivate young minds and steer them towards understanding engines and technology. The potential for a new racing venue on Oahu, such as the proposed venue could provide a much-needed outlet for the local community and help address the issue of dangerous street racing. This facility will provide and benefit a place for “Family Time “ for all our Residents, Military, and Non Residents

Thank you. Timo King

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Irwin Siongco	irwin.siongco@gmail.com	96818
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 06:10 AM

Testimony:

In support of building the appropriate facilities to provide the Motorsport’s communities on Oahu a place.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Noel MOniz	noel.l.moniz.civ@us.navy.mil	96706
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 08:33 AM

Testimony:

This is long needed for the enthusiasts and youth as a way to provide mechanical interest and keep the talent we have in the islands. We need more builders and engineers and recreational racing provides opportunities to kids to learn how to work with their hands and overcome obstacles. The park will provide a place to go, learn and have fun with their peers.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Jonathan Bernath	jbbernath@aol.com	96734
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 11:08 AM

Testimony:

Honorable City Council,

My name is Jonathan Bernath, I'm a father of Two young adults and make my living in the Aviation profession.

I am involved with the Hawaii Rally Sport Association (HRSA) and National Auto Sport Association (NASA) Hawaii Region. HRSA is a 501(c)4 nonprofit. I was also involved with the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA).

I support the Oahu Public Motorsports Park at Kalaeloa as this site is the only place with suitable land for a City Motorsports Park on Oahu. It can be developed similar to government owned sites on Kauai, Maui and the Big Island.

The proposed site is at the end of an active runway. The land is Zoned T-2 under HCDA for Noise at Military /Airport Eco Industrial areas. With noise levels that exceeds 65 DB day and night. The site is always hot and dry and not suitable for other sports activities. There is existing asphalt at the site which can be used for motorsports events.

The nearby Pride Baseball Field facility is unused and impossible to maintain. The hot and dry conditions don't allow grass to grow without overuse of our precious water supply. The hot and dry area and unkempt fields makes playing ball at the Pride park unsafe and uncomfortable for players and families alike.

The Motorsports Community will work with the City and residents of Oahu to mitigate noise, dust and safety concerns.

The youth of Oahu will benefit greatly from the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) based principles that Motorsports competition promotes worldwide.

Local businesses will benefit from the increased activities and sales Motorsports events provide.

"Respectfully, Jonathan Bernath”

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Name:	Email:	Zip:
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Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 12:19 PM

Testimony:

Testimony in Support of the Construction of a Race Track on State Land

To the Honorable Members of the Oahu Parks and Recreation Department

08/19/2025

Aloha,

My name is Bradley Westberg-Torricer, and I am a resident of Ewa Beach, Oahu. I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed construction of a race track on state land in Oahu.

I believe that this project presents a unique opportunity to benefit our community in several important ways:

Economic Growth

The construction and operation of a race track would generate new jobs, both during the building phase and throughout

its long-term operation. This includes construction workers, facility management, event staff, and service providers. Additionally, hosting races and other events could attract visitors to the island, stimulating local businesses, including restaurants, hotels, and retailers. The event-related tourism would be a boon to Oahu's economy.

Community Engagement and Recreation

A race track is not only for motorsports enthusiasts, but it can also serve as a community hub for youth and families. Providing a safe and regulated environment for racing activities will reduce illegal street racing, offering a controlled space for individuals to enjoy motorsport and automobile culture in a positive, safe setting. This would be an opportunity to bring diverse groups together and create an inclusive space for recreational activities.

Environmental and Safety Considerations

The development of the race track would be constructed with a focus on sustainability and minimizing any environmental impact. Moreover, it provides an opportunity to implement cutting-edge safety measures for both participants and spectators. With proper planning and adherence to safety standards, a professionally built track ensures that participants are racing in a secure environment, reducing the dangers posed by illegal street racing.

Support for Local Motorsports Community

Hawaii has a growing community of motorsport enthusiasts and drivers who are currently forced to participate in illegal or unsafe racing activities. By providing an official venue, this project would ensure that these enthusiasts can engage in their passion in a legal, safe, and organized manner. It also opens doors for Oahu to host professional events, drawing in racers and fans from outside the state.

In conclusion, I fully support the proposed race track project on state land. It will benefit our community by stimulating the economy, offering safe recreational opportunities, and supporting the local motorsports scene. I encourage the Department to move forward with this initiative and look forward to seeing the positive impact it will have on Oahu.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

Sincerely,

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John Rogers	jhr@hawaii.rr.com	96706
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	I wish to comment	Aug 19, 2025 @ 12:46 PM

Testimony:

Aloha Chair Tupola, Vice Chair Tulba and Committee Members,

DPR said that the construction and the operation of the interim motor sports facility is a private-public partnership between DPR and the Oahu Motor Sports Association and Li Cobain. Is this partnership promulgated in an official written agreement? Who will carry the liability? What will be the operating days and hours? Who will be allowed to use the park? Will DPR draft rules and regulations on how a motor sports recreational area is to be operated. Currently there are DPR rules and regulations for operating a BMX track at Koko Head District Park.

Who will be responsible for the trash? Where will people park vehicles? Along Coral Sea Road or within the parcel? Back in 2010 to 2014 DHHL leased land across from Kalaeloa Heritage Park to Oahu Racetracks LLC. On race days vehicles would be parked all along Coral Sea Rd and the next day, trash everywhere from the tailgate parties. Should there be a traffic study? This roadway is being used more and more by vulnerable road users and there are no sidewalks and the road's shoulders are narrow.

I have been informed that the property where the interim motor sports facility is to be built does not have the same contamination issues as some of the other parcels and would be used for more normal park uses like playing fields once the interim facility is closed. To ensure that this parcel is not further environmentally degraded who will be monitoring environmental compliance?

I am not against using the Kalaeloa Parklands for motor sports recreational uses. I just think that the DPR and partners should have a transparent plan with community input that is properly documented before a motor vehicle is allowed to lap the track.

I appreciate all that you do for the community.

Best Regards,

John Rogers

Parks Committee Co-chair Ewa NB#23

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Valentine Valdez	808streets@gmail.com	96792
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
808 Streets	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 12:57 PM

Testimony:

Our state needs a racetrack and this is the first step towards that goal.

Their is a huge DEMAND for it and has been for years!

Racing is a huge problem on OAHU and with zero legal racing options, you are basically encouraging it!

This is the best use of this land!

Adding more cops to patrol the night cruises aint doing anything..

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Michael Stevens	michael.e.stevens@outlook.com	96786
Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 01:13 PM

Testimony:

Honorable City Council,

My name is Michael Stevens, I am a father, husband and supporter of auto enthusiastic family members across multiple motorsport types. I work on Pearl Harbor in support of our Naval Fleet here on Oahu and Pacific theater. I am a retired Navy Service Member with 23 years of service.

When there were events across Oahu, I participated in approved small events under Avery Tsui with the Hawaii Rally Sport Association (HRSA) and National Auto Sport Association (NASA) Hawaii Region.

Protection of local environment, residents, and safe road operations were observed at each event I participated in. Areas that were used were returned in a clean and respected condition, minus the racing lines created. Safety was always first and foremost. Respect across racers was also exercised.

Avery Tsui has known multiple areas of the motorsport and from my prospective, his view on the proposed site at Kalaeloa is spot on and best bet for Oahu and her residents.

The saying 'if you build it, they will come' cannot be understated as this is a way of sanctioning events, combining events with local charities, local food venders, companies, small business manufacturers, as well as national supporters across many car clubs and specialties.

An area for off road jeep activities could be set aside. An area for dirt bike trails could be set up. And many more...

This could give car clubs and enthusiasts alike a place to meet, share knowledge and minimize the impact to local park or company parking lots.

Facilities for driver training, educational motorsport classes, motorcycle training courses and certifications, and repair or purchase of repair parts can all be a part of this venture which may even open other areas taken in industrial areas. Safety checks, vehicle inspections, and familiarization training can be held.

Opportunities for trade schooling locations built around enthusiasts and those seeking certification can be set up alongside the track area.

Other events can be held at the location so please do not see this location as an only motorsport dumping ground.

To finish off my statement and I lastly appreciate your attention to the statements I have made, any opportunity to grow a motorsport community in a positive way is the potential of less illegal activities across the state. With an avenue for not only exercising the talent, but to learn and grow as a driver and possible tradesman, we need this.

Thank you and Best Regards,

Michael Stevens

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Kamala Dye	kamaladye808@icloud.com	96734

Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 01:28 PM

Testimony:

We need a track on the island to make all these dumb kids stop racing all over the street. My cousin just got hit by one of them illegal racers. I cannot live peacefully without one of the racetracks to keep these dummehs off our roads.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Juslyn Luk	lukjuslyn@gmail.com	96706

Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 01:33 PM

Testimony:

I support this track being built.

Name:	Email:	Zip:
Chase Drumeller	chasedrumeller@gmail.com	96706

Representing:	Position:	Submitted:
Self	Support	Aug 19, 2025 @ 01:36 PM

Testimony:

I support this track being built. Making it a safer environment for the state

Testimony From Li Cobian of Oahu Motorsports Association

Dear City Council please be aware that there will be people against Motorsports because it not something they like.

The Motorsports Community has spent 27 Years advocating for the 400 acres of Navy BRAC Property for Motorsports.

The Motorsports Community on Oahu have been demonized and called immoral for their preferred sport of Choice. Motorsports is a National American Past time just like football and baseball.

Please be aware that there will be people like the Pickleball community that swear that they will DIE if you allow a Motorsports Park on Oahu and it will destroy the lives of people on Oahu that hate motorsports .

Kauai's County under their Dept of Parks and Recs ,Wailua Motocross track is 75 feet away from the Outrigger Beach Resort and Beach Villas. Its been there for 34 years with no complaints.

Here is a example of people who hate Motorsports.

SCR-108
Submitted on: 3/21/2019 1:16:02 PM
Testimony for EET on 3/22/2019 2:45:00 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
C. Kaui Lucas	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Dear Legislators

Fossil fuel based fun is not something morally or fiscally defensible. This area is of historic importance to more than one group. Encouraging leisure activities that depletes natural resources while fostering dangerous behavior, creating noise and toxic wastes, all with a high carbon footprint is not wat the Ewa plain needs.

Mahalo,

Kaui

I do agree that the property has Historic Importance… it has Motorsports Racing Historic importance.

The Senate

COMMEMORATES AND RECOGNIZES
THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION OF
KALAELOA BARBERS POINT NAVAL AIR STATIONED AVIATOR
LIEUTENANT (JUNIOR GRADE) HARVEY WILLIAM HALLER

WHEREAS, The Hawai'i State Senate commemorates and recognizes the 70th anniversary of Barbers Point Naval Air Stationed (BPNAS) Aviator Lt.(j.g.)Harvey William Haller world land speed record holder and military pioneer of sports car racing and;

WHEREAS, Lt.(j.g.)Harvey William Haller while stationed at Barbers Point NAS, was well known in the Hawai'i local car racing circles and guided local racers in helping with mechanical and construction problems and helped in organizing Hawai'i car clubs and race activities. He embraced the Hawai'i Racing community and brought national attention to " Hawaii's Hottest Hot Rod " in Hot Rod Magazine April 1953 issue featured in Kalaeloa Oahu; and

WHEREAS, As a true innovator, supported by the VU-1 Utility Squadron One of BPNAS with plane parts and a plane fuel tank gathered from the Kalaeloa military bases , Lt.(j.g.)Harvey Haller built his VU-1 race car and trained on the base runways to go on to breaking the 200mph barrier in September 1953 at the Bonneville Salt Flats time trials in Utah hitting a world record 209.480 MPH and featured in Time Life Magazine; and

WHEREAS, The Hawai'i State Senate recognizes Hawai'i's historical roots in the sport of auto racing by recognizing Barbers Point NAS Lt.(j.g.)Harvey William Haller and previously honoring Drag Racing Legend and Hawai'i State Sports Hall of Fame inductee Mr. Roland Leong in November 2019; and

WHEREAS, The Hawai'i State Senate recognizes the military historical significance of Sports Car Racing that originated on military airfields and runways as early as in the 1940's and later spearheaded by U.S. Air Force Gen. Curtis E. LeMay by offering the use of the runways of Strategic Air Command (SAC) air bases to sports car racing events to raise money and improve living conditions and moral for his personnel; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023, The State of Hawai'i 32nd Legislature of 2023 commemorates the 70th anniversary of Barbers Point Naval Air Stationed Aviator Lt.(j.g.)Harvey William Haller 1953 " Hawaii's Hottest Hot Rod " and world land speed record holder and the Hawai'i historical military significance connection with the spirit of sports car racing.

Done this 1st day of April 2023
State Capitol, Honolulu, Hawai'i

Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Sponsoring Senator

Ronald D. Kouchi, President of the Senate

Carol Taniguchi, Clerk of the Senate

The 32nd Legislature
Certificate No. 73

This Is The Property in 1953 .





Lieutenant And Naval Aviator Harvey Haller Built His Tank With Flathead Power While Stationed In Honolulu. Stateside He Partnered With Frank Breene To Install A 364 Inch Chrysler. The 209 Mph Record Haller Set At The 1953 Bonneville Nats Was Bittersweet; Within A Month He Was Dead From A Crash At El Mirage. The Loss Inspired The Harvey Haller Sportsmanship Award.

Barbers Point Naval Air Stations Air Fields at Kalaeloa Has Great Historical Racing Heritage from the late 1940's .

Li Cobian

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Subject: RES 25-225; Kalaeloa Parklands Interim Dirt Track Raceway

Dear Council Members,
I would urge you to support RES 25-225 to construct an interim dirt drack raceway at Kalaeloa. This would provide the first step to develop a full race facility which will provide the following benefits to our community:

- Provide a healthy and safe reactional activity for our community, especially for our young adults.
- Provide a controlled environment for people who want to race. Let's provide them a safe outlet rather than have them race down Tantalus or over the Pali, endangering not only themselves but also the lives of innocent bystanders.
- Organizations such as Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) can provide trained instructors for participants to learn how to drive safely at high speeds and obtain a Competition license. Individuals who do not drive safely in events will lose said license.
- Provide a location where new drivers can learn safely; such as driving in wet conditions.
- Provide a location where police cadets can safely learn high speed pursuit.

Thank you for your consideration,

Douglas P. Munson

Honorable Ms. Tupola,

My name is Randy Viellenave, and I am writing in strong support of establishing the Oahu Public Motorsports Park at Kalaeloa. As a resident, competitor, and young adult driving instructor, I see clearly the need for a dedicated motorsports facility on Oahu.

Currently, Oahu lacks a safe, legal venue for motorsports enthusiasts. Without such a facility, drivers are left with few options, which unfortunately contributes to the prevalence of illegal street racing. *Studies and local reports*[***] from other regions have shown that when communities provide sanctioned motorsports venues, illegal racing incidents decrease significantly as drivers have a safe, controlled environment to practice and compete.

Beyond serving motorsports enthusiasts, a dedicated facility will directly support driver safety and education. Through programs such as the Tire Rack Street Survival program, I provide hands-on training to young drivers that focus on vehicular handling, accident avoidance, and real-world driving challenges. This program is designed to reduce the likelihood of young drivers losing control of their vehicles—skills that cannot be taught in a classroom alone. Having access to a proper motorsports facility will allow us to continue this training, providing even more young drivers on Oahu with the tools they need to become safer, more responsible drivers.

The Kalaeloa site is uniquely suited for such a facility. As others have pointed out, it is zoned for industrial use, has existing asphalt, and is unsuitable for traditional sports due to noise and heat conditions. Rather than letting the area remain underutilized, we can transform it into a community asset that reduces illegal racing, promotes safety, and provides recreational and educational opportunities for Oahu's youth.

The motorsports community is committed to working with the City and residents of Oahu to address noise, dust, and safety concerns.

I respectfully urge you to support the Oahu Public Motorsports Park at Kalaeloa. This is an opportunity not only to provide a safe venue for motorsports but also to enhance public safety, youth education, and the local economy.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Randy Viellenave
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*** https://popcenter.asu.edu/sites/g/files/litvpz3631/files/street_racing.pdf? – "Providing a safe alternative" section 9 page 36

Aloha Honorable City Council,

My name is Joshua Sydow. I am a father of two and have been blessed to call the island of Oʻahu my home for my entire life. I am submitting my written testimony in strong support of creating a motorsports park on Oʻahu at the Kalaeloa site.

As a kid growing up here, I have many fond memories of the old Raceway Park, and I have always been a fan of motorsports. Since its closure in 2006, Oʻahu has been without a track—unlike many of the smaller neighbor island communities that still have theirs. For several years, I participated in AutoX at Aloha Stadium, but even AutoX no longer has a home because of the construction of the new stadium.

Without a designated facility, many drivers and riders are left with no choice but to gather informally or engage in illegal street racing, which poses significant risks to public safety. A motorsports park would provide a safe, controlled, and supervised environment where speed and skill can be enjoyed responsibly.

Beyond safety, a motorsports park would bring economic and cultural benefits. It would create jobs, attract events and visitors, and provide opportunities for youth to engage in positive, hands-on activities that teach discipline, responsibility, and mechanical skills. Motorsports are an important part of Hawaiʻi's culture and history, and our community deserves a place where that tradition can continue.

Additionally, such a facility would help address the growing problem of reckless driving on our roads by giving enthusiasts a proper venue. This is not just about racing—it is about providing a safe outlet, strengthening our economy, and investing in the future of our keiki and community.

I respectfully urge you to support the establishment of a motorsports park on Oʻahu at Kalaeloa.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,
Joshua Sydow