

Schneider, Mary

From: joe lapeyre <joelapeyre@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 8:48 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: Noise Review Board Hearing - February 11, 2015

These are my comments for the Noise Review Board Hearing of February 11, 2015.

I received a card in the mail concerning a three-year variance at a maximum of 115 dB request from the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association.

I request that the variance not be issued. The noise from PIR at my house is loud enough currently. I would be in favor of reducing noise from PIR.

thank you,

Joe Lapeyre
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Portland OR, 97217

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joelapeyre@hotmail.com

Schneider, Mary

From: James <jpdx70@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 6:24 AM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: PIR Noise Variance for the 2015-2017 Seasons

Dear Noise Review Board,

I support allowing the PIR Noise Variance for the 2015-2017 Seasons.

I have lived in Kenton since November 1995 and I've owned my home in Kenton since December 2001.

Thank you,
James Tuttle
3025 N. Winchell St.
Portland, OR 97217
jpdx70@yahoo.com
503-880-3340

Couch, Kathy

From: midamerg@earthlink.net
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 12:03 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: PIR Noise Variance for 2015-2017 seasons

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Dear Noise Review Board Members and other concerned citizens,

I adamantly oppose granting a variance to increase the dB sound level to 115 dB for any event, including the current application by Portland Vintage Racing Festival. The level of noise created by the Portland International Raceway is already at unacceptable levels for citizens, homeowners, condo owners and renters of the Kenton area. Most of us choose to live in this area because of the stability and quality of life it affords. Noise from the Portland International Raceway vastly degrades that way of life in preference to the few that participate in racing activities. Enjoyment from being outdoors with these races going on is greatly reduced. Who can enjoy visiting with friends and family in ones back yard with the sound of swarming mosquitoes screaming in the background.

Any increase in the dB level is not acceptable. I bought and moved to this area and was unaware until summer that such a facility as the PIR existed. I'm now sorry I live in this area and because of the noise generated by PIR, I'm considering selling my home and moving to another area. Again, the activities of a few people shouldn't adversely impact the enjoyment of those living in the area.

Thank you for your consideration in not approving this variance.

Paul Black
2914 N Baldwin St
Portland OR 97217

Couch, Kathy

From: Sherri Wolf <sherriwolf3@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 11:50 AM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: Public Hearing

YES on the three year variance for The Portland Vintage Racing Festival.

Sherri Wolf at 8732 N. Calvert Ave.

Couch, Kathy

From: sfsbice@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 9:26 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: Deny noise Variance for Vintage Racing

To the Noise Review Board:

As homeowner residents of the city of Portland, we urge the Noise Review Board to Deny the Noise variance request under consideration at your upcoming meeting, Which would allow racing with up to 115 dBA, by racing vehicles.

Not only is the noise generated a disruptive nuisance, it can cause interruptive sleep, and hearing damage to unprotected people. This is a serious Health issue for people, residents, and animals in the city. There is no reason to justify this event, except for money going to a relatively few people.

Again, we urge you to DENY this request for the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association, for a multi-year variance. In order to make a healthy environment & help Portland be a leader in Noise Control for citizens, you need to DENY this Noise variance request for Vintage Vehicle Racing!

Sincerely,
Steve & Sarah Bice
196 SE Spokane
Portland

Couch, Kathy

From: Steve Gatt <sdgatt@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 1:34 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: PIR Variance

I'm emailing today in support of the Portland Historic Races in July 2015.

I see this (and future) events like this as having a positive effect on neighboring businesses (Hotels, Restaurants, etc) with minimal additional impact to neighbors. I personally live in the Kenton district, on N. Halleck, and enjoy the sounds coming from PIR during the summer.

Please authorize the variance for the 115dB for PIR and the Portland Historic Races.

Thank you
Steve Gatt
3541 N Halleck
Portland, OR

Couch, Kathy

From: Crista Gardner <crisagardner@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 3:42 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: Attn: Noise Board: Feb 11, 2015 Testimony

Dear Paul Van Orten or Noise Control Officer,

I live in the Kenton neighborhood (2504 N Watts Street). I understand that PIR is asking for a noise variance for a three year , multi-year variance to hold for one weekend of racing each year (2015 to 2017) and that the hearing will be held February 11, 2015. I would like to comment on that request but I will not have the opportunity to attend the February 11, 2015 meeting due to my work schedule. Could you please email me back to confirm that you will accept this email as public comment and provide this comment to the Noise Control Board in advance of the February 11, 2015 meeting?

Thank you,

Crista Gardner
Kenton Resident
2504 N Watts Street
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Paul Van Orten or Noise Control Officer and Noise Control Board,

The City of Portland should not grant a variance to PIR unless PIR can demonstrate its ability to maintain within its legal noise limits during normal operations and successfully mitigate and abate its current noise output. PIR does not adhere to the current noise limitations set by the City of Portland and therefore, should not be granted any special privileges or variances. Therefore, **PIR should be denied the requested variance for a three year , multi-year variance to hold for one weekend of racing each year (2015 to 2017) 115 dBA (FAST) as measured at 50 feet from the racing vehicles.**

PIR consistently exceeds the legal levels mandated by the city noise ordinance. As a Kenton neighborhood resident (2504 N Watts Street), I experience the noise levels emitted from PIR that are above the legal levels mandated by the city noise ordinance throughout the summer. I live a half mile away from Columbia Boulevard and ¾ mile away from PIR. Yet, in the summer weekends and evenings, the PIR noise disturbs me. According to the North Portland Noise Study (2008, City of Portland/Greenbusch), I live within the zone that regularly experiences the "general non-varianced full race track modeling identified City Code exceedances in Kenton." (**Figure 4. PIR Full Track Race Daytime Broadband Residential Code Exceedance Areas for 103-dBA Trackside Event (10 vehicles), No Meteorology**)

The request for a variance states a 115 dBA variance is requested. This varianced race would negatively affect my neighborhood and could negatively affect other North Portland neighborhoods, "a 115 dB varianced race (113 dB black flag) and assuming that every car on the track took advantage of the variance, City Code exceedance is possible in Kenton, Portsmouth, St Johns, Arbor Lodge, Piedmont, University Park, Bridgeton, East Columbia and Hayden Island neighborhoods." (North Portland Noise Study, 2008, City of Portland/Greenbusch)

PIR should not be granted a variance if they have shown that they do not take reliable noise measurements and they do not adhere to the legal conditions of the variances already granted.

As indicated in the Noise Variance 11-118043 issued to PIR on March 9, 2011, "there have been discrepancies between the hand held monitoring data taken by race personnel and the PIR trackside monitor....the Noise Control Officer did not receive the noise data from the races within seven days from the 2010 event. This was a condition of the 2010 variance."

PIR noise levels are a nuisance to the residents of the Kenton neighborhood and negatively affect the health and well-being of the lower-income neighborhood residents of North Portland. In the recent survey by the Kenton Neighborhood Association (2010), the North Portland Noise Study (2008, City of Portland/Greenbusch) and the Addressing Noise Problems in North Portland (2006, Grove), PIR is noted as a repeated noise nuisance. In these studies are the following results:

- "PIR comes out on top of the list of residents' noise concerns. About one-third of residents say that it is a concern for them. A computer generated map was also used to track where respondents who said noise from PIR is a "very serious" problem are located. This map shows a "corridor" of noise generated from PIR that fans out from the Kenton neighborhood in a southerly direction and encompasses the Kenton, Arbor Lodge, University Park, Portsmouth and Overlook neighborhoods." (2006, Grove)
- "PIR Code Limits: State Code limit of 105 dBA trackside, 103 dBA used as compliance threshold; City Code defines permissible level in residential communities at 65 dBA during nighttime hours and 60 dBA during daytime hours. Full track race events (SOVREN, OMMR, Champ car, etc.) modeled 103 dBA race generally exceeded City Code at nearby residential properties (and) modeled 115 dBA variance race generally exceeded City Code levels at residential properties near and far." (2008, City of Portland/Greenbusch)
- "The Noise impact of PIR on Kenton: 52% (survey participants found) unfavorable; 30% (survey participants said) noise is frequently disruptive; 22% (survey participants said) hear noise too often." (2010, Kenton Neighborhood Association)

PIR is owned and operated by the City of Portland through the Bureau of Parks and Recreation (Economic Impact Analysis, 2006). Therefore, PIR should be required to adhere to the Portland Plan in reducing health and equity concerns. In the Portland Plan (Healthy Connected City, adopted April 2012), noise is noted as detrimental to health, especially disproportionately in lower-income neighborhood like North Portland: "Today, lower-income residents, communities of color, seniors and children are more at risk for poor health than the general population and experience significant health disparities. These residents may also suffer disproportionately from exposure to pollution, toxics, **noise**, environmental hazards and insufficient access to nature — all of which affect physical and mental health. To maximize health benefits, actions and investments will be targeted at currently underserved neighborhoods and resident groups so that the benefits of Portland extend equitably to residents of all races, ages, abilities and incomes. We must take actions to reduce disparities in access to the conditions that support healthy living."

Furthermore, the Portland Plan (Healthy Connected City, adopted April 2012), created goals that further the importance of human health and equity: "Goal: Prioritize human and environmental health and safety. Our future decisions must consider impacts on human health, public safety and overall environmental health and prioritize actions to reduce disparities and inequities." Guiding Policies in the Portland Plan that apply include: "H-4: Consider community health impacts, equity outcomes and ecological and watershed health risks when making decisions about growth, implementing programs and designing capital improvements. H-6: Encourage design and development that improves public health and safety. This includes design that supports active living and healthy housing, better fire safety and prevention, crime prevention through environmental design, and hazard mitigation and adaptation." PIR is owned and operated by the City of Portland through the Bureau of Parks and Recreation (Economic Impact Analysis, 2006). PIR should be required to adhere to the goals of the Portland Plan in reducing health and equity concerns.

I appreciate that PIR has cooperated with the Kenton Neighborhood Association over the last few years and now contains reliable noise monitoring data on its premise and within the Kenton neighborhood to ensure that it meets the legal limits set by the Noise Control Board to the Noise Control Officer. I would like to see PIR to continue to work with its neighbors to ensure proper adherence to the law prior to being rewarded by being given a variance.

The City of Portland should not grant a variance to PIR unless PIR can demonstrate its ability to maintain within its legal noise limits during normal operations and successfully mitigate its current noise output. Any variance should be accompanied by noise abatement and mitigation measures such as the construction of noise barriers or walls, noise insulation, shielding or other noise abatement or mitigation measures.

Thank you,

Crista Marie Gardner
Kenton Resident
2504 N Watts Street
Portland, OR 97217

Couch, Kathy

From: Jamie@USOUTDOOR.COM
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 8:48 AM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: Noise Variance Hearing re: Sportscar Vintage Racing Association (SVRA) .

Good Morning,

I'm writing in regards to the Noise Review Board agenda meeting for tonight's hearing.

We live on North Argyle Street a half a block from Kenton Park and we support Auto, Moto, and Bicycle racing at Portland International Raceway.

I understand that not everyone likes automobile racing, but I also understand that no one was forced to move to Kenton, where PIR has been operating for 50 years. I don't think that a 3 hour variance for 115 dB will negatively impact the quality of life for my neighbors. Unlike the ever present train horns, racing occurs in the middle of the day, on a weekend.

If the promoter for this event can't get the variance, they are less likely to bring the big American cars from the legendary Can-Am racing series of the early 70's. These cars are a huge draw for racing fans, and large crowds mean more money

I personally would like to see more, not less, high-profile events at PIR, because someone needs to pay the bills out there, and while it's nice to have it as a resource for affluent people to run track days in their exotic cars, most of us will never be in the tax bracket to utilize it in this manner. But rather as spectators to big motorsports events.

If PIR can't pay the bills, it doesn't make sense to fund it, and I'd rather see it retain i it's value as a community resource for other events like moto and bicycle racing, than be redeveloped for a high end golf course-adjacent private housing community.

I urge you to grant the noise variance for the Portland Historic Races events.

Jamie Whalen
2553 North Argyle Street
Portland Oregon
97217

Couch, Kathy

From: Kari Jaquith <kdraco128@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 8:34 AM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: PIR Noise Variance for 2015-2017 Seasons

This letter was composed by my life partner and I wholeheartedly concur with it.

We live on North Argyle Street a half a block from Kenton Park and we support Auto, Moto, and Bicycle racing at Portland International Raceway.

I don't think that a 3 hour variance for 115 dB will negatively impact the quality of life for my neighbors.

I understand that not everyone likes automobile racing, but I also understand that no one was forced to move to Kenton, where PIR has been operating for 50 years.

If the promoter for this event can't get the variance, I understand that he will be unable to bring the big American cars from the legendary Can-Am racing series of the early 70's. These big loud exciting cars are a big draw for racing fans. Large crowds mean more money.



I personally would like to see more, not less, high-profile events at PIR, because someone needs to pay the bills out there, and while it's nice to have it as a resource for affluent people to run track days in their exotics, most of us are not going to be in the tax bracket to utilize it in this manner.

If PIR can't pay the bills, it doesn't make sense to fund it, and I'd rather see it retain its value as a community resource for other events like moto and bicycle racing, than be redeveloped for a high end, golf course adjacent private housing community.

I urge you to grant the noise variance for the Portland Historic Races events.

Sincerely

Kari L. Jaquith
Homeowner in Kenton Neighborhood.

 *Money, while I agree is the root of all evil, tends to sooth my nerves.* 



Kenton Neighborhood Association
2209 N Schofield St
Portland, OR 97217

February 4, 2015

To: City of Portland Noise Review Board
Office of Neighborhood Involvement (ONI)

From: Kenton Neighborhood Association (KNA)

Re: **Opposition to 115dBA three-year noise variance for the Portland Vintage Racing Festival at Portland International Raceway (PIR)**

Dear members of the City of Portland Noise Review Board,

The Kenton Neighborhood Association (KNA) board is in opposition to the Noise Review Board granting Portland Vintage Racing Festival and Portland International Raceway (PIR) a 3-year 115db variance for the 2015-2017 race seasons.

Granting a three-year noise variance would impede future ability to actually monitor impacts the track has on the Kenton Neighborhood with the pending installation of the neighborhood noise monitor. A multi-year variance also chokes input by future elected members of the KNA Board of Directors and the voices of new Kenton residents. Granting this request would be unfair, not allowing for proper evaluation of the events noise pollution impact on the neighborhood while also ignoring the future concerns of the residents in the neighborhood and effectively tying the hands of the Kenton Neighborhood through the year 2017.

Additionally, granting a noise variance at the loudest level of 115dB, is not honoring the intent of Resolution 34626. The resolution, which speaks directly to the variance process, states, 'noise limits are established to provide flexibility yet, the **overall intent is to continue to encourage a reduction in noise levels**' Granting a variance at the highest level of 115db does not encourage a reduction in noise levels.

Therefore, we respectfully request that, if any variance is granted, it is granted on a year-to-year basis and not in a three-year (Multi-year) block. The consideration for future public input, stifling of current dialogue, and the study of yet to be received noise monitor data, all point to an ongoing and annual review process necessary for noise variance events at PIR.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ryan Pittel
KNA Vice Chair, Noise Sub-Committee Chair

CC: Meegan Watts, KNA Chair

Couch, Kathy

From: Doug O'Loughlin <dougoloughlin@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 04, 2015 6:45 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: PIR noise variance public comment

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Hi - I would like to send a comment for the PIR requested noise variance for 3 years for the July historic racing events. I live near there and would like it to be declined. Too much noise from PIR already! Thanks

Doug O'Loughlin
8225 N. Chautauqua
503-484-5600

Couch, Kathy

From: CenturyLink Customer <ciderist@q.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 03, 2015 7:22 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: Portland Vintage Racing

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Greetings,

I cannot make it to the February 11 hearing, but I would like to comment.

I love to hear those race cars and have no objections to the requested variance.

I really miss the top fuel dragsters. The drag strip was there a long time, it's a pity we can't have the really fast cars here anymore.

Sincerely,

Shaun Shepherd
8514 N Chautauqua Bv.
Portland, Or. 97217

Couch, Kathy

From: Nate Williams <natew503@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 03, 2015 12:25 AM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: PIR Noise Variance

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To whom it may concern:

I am a homeowner in the Kenton neighborhood and can hear the race track from my home. I do not mind whatsoever and I believe that you shouldn't purchase a home somewhere near a race track if you have a problem with noise. Please let PIR stand as a historic track for drivers and car enthusiasts of all types to continue to enjoy.

Nate Williams
2525 N Arlington Pl.
Portland OR 97217

Couch, Kathy

From: Krissy Bussmann <kbussmann@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 9:36 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: 2/11/15 PIR Noise Review Board Hearing

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment via email on this issue!

As the crow flies, I live 1.25 miles from PIR. I am opposed to the three year variance for the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association PIR events. During the summer, I treasure time spent outside in my backyard during free weekends. However, this is often tarnished by the sounds of endless races throughout many summer weekends, at peak outdoor hours. I cannot spend time outside, or even open the windows in my house without being affected by the noise. Sometimes the noise lasts into the night, affecting my sleeping hours - this type of stress can even affect one's health. It is invasive. It is noise pollution, and it affects everyone in this region. Similarly to smoking, the pleasure of a few individuals cannot be continually forced on others to their detriment.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments during your decision-making process.

Sincerely,
Krissy Bussmann

Couch, Kathy

From: Chris Snyderbrown <csnyderbrown@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 8:48 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: Portland Vintage Racing Festival

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Hello,

I'm a resident of the Kenton neighborhood and am writing in regards to the upcoming hearing for the PIR Noise Variance for the weekend of July 10-12, 2015. I would advocate that the request for a variance be denied. I believe that the desires of a few hundred racing enthusiasts do not outweigh the day to day lives of the thousands of N. Portland residents who would face additional noise pollution.

Please contact me if additional feedback is needed.

Thank you,
Chris Snyderbrown
N Tyndall Ave
Portland, 97217

Couch, Kathy

From: E. Tech <electromechtech@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 5:50 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: Vintage Racing - Feb 11 Public Hearing response

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My family and I live across Columbia Blvd. from Ferguson Plumbing, so we hear everything that happens at Portland International Raceway. Though we must endure a lot of noise pollution in this very noisy corridor (emergency response vehicles, trucks, trains and airplanes), my family all agree that sounds of noisy race-cars and motorcycles are fine, even welcome.

As opposed to all the other noise we live with in this area, there are several reasons the race-track is welcome:

1. Racing sounds mean "Rose Festival" season is near, summer fun and excitement.
2. Sounds from P.I.R. are not so much intrusive as they are a plaintive siren call to join in the festivities.
3. Unlike trains, racing sounds do not interrupt conversation and cause shocked disbelief in guests and phone callers.
4. Unlike trains, noise from P.I.R. is for a defined period of time, then it's over - it does not intrude on sleep time.
5. Unlike trains, noise from P.I.R. does not create a negative impact on property value or quality of life.
6. Unlike trains, P.I.R. does not make us want to live somewhere else.

We find it almost amusing when the city send people out to hang noise recorders around our neighborhood, and even pays someone to sit and monitor noise with sensitive electronic gear. We ask ourselves, is this gear programmed to ignore train horns? Once I had conversation with a person monitoring the "noise pollution" from P.I.R. and asked what the relative noise level was between the race-track and the train-track; "Why, are the trains loud?" she asked. A short time later a train came by, it pegged out the meters on her equipment and completely drowned out our voices. After the train had passed she said; "Oh my, that is loud, I'll definitely mention this in my report". We continue to see close scrutiny for P.I.R. and no accountability for the railroad engineers who practice creative "tooting" where the longest or the most frequent apparently earn some kind of train engineer brownie points.

In case you think we are pro-race gear-heads or something I would like to clarify that we have probably only attended 2 events at the track in the 20+ years we have lived in North Portland. Racing, both as a participator or spectator, is not an affordable pursuit for our family, but we feel those who can and do enjoy those pursuits have behaved responsibly in doing so and strongly support their rights to continue their sport at P.I.R.

Sincerely,

Rob & Kris Coon
8858 N Wilbur Ave
Portland OR 97217

Couch, Kathy

From: Myles Gray <mylesgray@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 1:27 PM
To: ONI Noise Control Office
Subject: PIR Noise Variance

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing in regards to a recently received postcard from the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association regarding a requested noise variance for the Portland International Raceway. The postcard references a public hearing at 6 pm on February 11, 2015 at City Hall. I will be unable to attend this hearing but would like to have my input recorded - is there a way to officially submit a comment without attending the meeting?

I would like to voice my strong opposition to any noise variance for PIR. The facility creates excessive noise in the Kenton neighborhood and should be eliminated entirely - there are plenty of other much more suitable locations in Northwest Oregon for such a facility.

Sincerely,

Myles Gray
541-250-2250

February 11, 2015

Noise Review Board
1221 SW 4th Ave, Room 110
Portland, OR 97204

Dear Noise Review Board,

Thank you for this opportunity to express my thoughts and concerns regarding the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association's current request for a 3 year noise variance at the PIR the weekend of July 10 – 12, 2015. As Kenton residents live in an area of excessive noise pollution, I strongly urge that this variance, if granted, be for only the one year option.

My viewpoint, those of the Kenton Neighborhood Association Board of Directors and a majority of my neighbors is that without the opportunity to address noise variance issues on an annual basis, any issues with this particular noise variance request won't be addressed until 2018. This is additionally concerning because of the great increase in the building of single family homes and new apartments in Kenton. Background: For years Kenton was considered analogous to a stage setting for "The Last Picture Show", but times have changed dramatically as Kenton has become a sought after close-in neighborhood. As these demographics are changing Kenton, we are seeing home values on the rise, there are few vacancies, and many homes are now selling, via RMLS data, in the \$350K - \$500K range. These new residents will deserve a voice in the livability of the neighborhood and an opportunity to address the Noise Review Board in the future, but if a three year variance is granted today, it leaves their expression null and void for the next three years.

Also at long last, the PIR's live noise monitoring system in Kenton is to be launched by Portland Parks and Recreation for the upcoming 2015 PIR season. This will undoubtedly add new data to the noise levels actually recorded in Kenton. When considering adding a new racing event with the highest decibel level available of the variance options, the noise monitoring system may prove this particular requested racing event does not maintain the approved noise limits included in Title 18, thus creating more undue noise in Kenton and North Portland neighborhoods. A one year variance would allow for decibel level violation corrections and give the public an opportunity next year to comment on future variance requests from the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association.

I also have a concern that if the 115 dBA level is the highest this racing event can allow, does that mean that all the other races in the July 10 - 12 event are allowed at 114.99999 dBA?

The Kenton Neighborhood Association has elevated its contact with the PIR, the racing community, the Noise Control Program and Portland Parks and Recreation administration over the past few years. We have reached a level of sophistication in our conversations that focuses more on mitigation than complaining. We are working toward community involvement as a stake holder and welcoming the new PIR manager, EC Mueller. I currently am one of two Kenton residents serving on the PIR Advisory Committee. Our voices and concerns are being fully considered. One of the guiding principles of this committee, as it considers ideas and concepts for the future PIR 20 year Master Plan, is to adhere to the City of Portland's noise standard specified in Title 18. Another process of this PIR Advisory Committee is drafting a Good Neighbor Agreement between the PIR and the Kenton Neighborhood Association. We are seeing progress.

I appreciate this opportunity to write and express my concerns to you today.

Sincerely yours,

Angela Moos
3417 N Russet St
Portland, OR 97217

From: Rhiannon Orizaga <orizaga.jones@gmail.com>
Date: February 11, 2015 2:39:52 PM PST
To: David Vanadia <storyworks@vanadia.com>
Subject: Re: Noise Board Meeting

Dear Noise Board and Walsh Construction,

I do not want another noise variance permit in my neighborhood. I am opposed to Walsh getting permits to have extra hours for noisiness. For years, I have endured frequent headaches, stress, and mood swings/irritability that affect my home life and my marriage, because of selfish developers and contractors who want to build more "livable" homes in the Pearl. The area of the Pearl where I live used to be livable- and some days it still is. More and more often, however, I am driven crazy by the noise, smell, filth, and dangerous conditions of the never-ending sea of construction around me.

When I and my spouse have worked 50 hours a week each, we look forward to the weekend and sleeping in. Early start times for construction work (and staging of the actual work) prevent us from ever getting the rest and relaxation that we work so hard to have. The noise of construction workers setting up, backing up large equipment, and making other construction-related noise is a serious health hazard. I've had chronic headaches, neck and back pain, and my mood has been affected by the frustration and pain that comes with never having a quiet moment that lasts longer than a few minutes. Being tense, in pain, and in a bad mood all day is no recipe for family harmony. Multiply that by all the people who can hear construction noise, and that should give you an idea of what we're dealing with.

I understand development is inevitable in this neighborhood, and I welcome it. What I don't welcome is a construction timeline that is so unreasonably rushed that a 5 am start time becomes a "necessity" on several occasions. The amount of time that will save is, in the long run, negligible, and hardly worth destroying the livability of the neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Rhiannon & Sarah Orizaga, Ramona Residents

From: Tahlia Harrison <tahliaharrison@gmail.com>
Date: February 11, 2015 1:21:45 PM PST
To: David Vanadia <storyworks@vanadia.com>
Subject: Concerns for the Noise Board

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a resident of the Ramona and while I know I can't speak for everyone in our apartment community there are several of us impacted by the noise in our daily lives, my husband and I included.

For us, it is very disruptive to have this noise in the early morning hours on days when we are in the apartment. Especially on weekends and Monday mornings. I feel that the timing of receiving notification about applications for variances has also not always been reported in a timely manner for us residents to respond before the applications are decided upon.

If early morning starts only happen between Tuesdays and Fridays this seems to be a reasonable compromise and would improve our daily lives tremendously.

While I am supportive of all the construction in the area I think there are compromises that we can work together to find to make sure all of our daily lives aren't disrupted to the amount that they have been previously.

Thank you for your time,

Tahlia Harrison
Apartment #222

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Tahlia Harrison *Restaurant Relations Manager*

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