

2026 State of Hawaii GIA CIP Grant Application

**Prepared by:
USTA Hawaii Pacific**

Application Submittal Checklist

The following items are required for submittal of the grant application. Please verify and check off that the items have been included in the application packet.

- 1) Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate (If the Applicant is an Organization)
- 2) Declaration Statement
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Ron Romano

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Ron Romano, Executive Director

PRINT NAME AND TITLE

1/22/2025

DATE



STATE OF HAWAII
STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

CERTIFICATE OF VENDOR COMPLIANCE

This document presents the compliance status of the vendor identified below on the issue date with respect to certificates required from the Hawaii Department of Taxation (DOTAX), the Internal Revenue Service, the Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), and the Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA).

Vendor Name: USTA HAWAII PACIFIC INC

DBA/Trade Name: USTA Hawaii Pacific

Issue Date: 01/16/2026

Status: **Compliant**

Hawaii Tax#:

New Hawaii Tax#:

FEIN/SSN#:

UI#:

XXXXXXX4281

DCCA FILE#:

Status of Compliance for this Vendor on issue date:

Form	Department(s)	Status
A-6	Hawaii Department of Taxation	Compliant
8821	Internal Revenue Service	Compliant
COGS	Hawaii Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Exempt
LIR27	Hawaii Department of Labor & Industrial Relations	Compliant

Status Legend:

Status	Description
Exempt	The entity is exempt from this requirement
Compliant	The entity is compliant with this requirement or the entity is in agreement with agency and actively working towards compliance
Pending	A status determination has not yet been made
Submitted	The entity has applied for the certificate but it is awaiting approval
Not Compliant	The entity is not in compliance with the requirement and should contact the issuing agency for more information

**DECLARATION STATEMENT OF
APPLICANTS FOR GRANTS PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 42F, HAWAII REVISIED STATUTES**

The undersigned authorized representative of the applicant certifies the following:

- 1) The applicant meets and will comply with all of the following standards for the award of grants pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is licensed or accredited, in accordance with federal, state, or county statutes, rules, or ordinances, to conduct the activities or provide the services for which a grant is awarded;
 - b) Complies with all applicable federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, sexual orientation, or disability;
 - c) Agrees not to use state funds for entertainment or lobbying activities; and
 - d) Allows the state agency to which funds for the grant were appropriated for expenditure, legislative committees and their staff, and the auditor full access to their records, reports, files, and other related documents and information for purposes of monitoring, measuring the effectiveness, and ensuring the proper expenditure of the grant.
- 2) If the applicant is an organization, the applicant meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is incorporated under the laws of the State; and
 - b) Has bylaws or policies that describe the manner in which the activities or services for which a grant is awarded shall be conducted or provided; and
- 3) If the applicant is a non-profit organization, it meets the following requirements pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i Revised Statutes:
 - a) Is determined and designated to be a non-profit organization by the Internal Revenue Service; and
 - b) Has a governing board whose members have no material conflict of interest and serve without compensation.
- 4) The use of grant-in-aid funding complies with all provisions of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii (for example, pursuant to Article X, section 1, of the Constitution, the State cannot provide "... public funds ... for the support or benefit of any sectarian or nonsectarian private educational institution...").

Pursuant to Section 42F-103, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, for grants used for the acquisition of land, when the organization discontinues the activities or services on the land acquired for which the grant was awarded and disposes of the land in fee simple or by lease, the organization shall negotiate with the expending agency for a lump sum or installment repayment to the State of the amount of the grant used for the acquisition of the land.

Further, the undersigned authorized representative certifies that this statement is true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge.

USTA Hawaii Pacific

(Typed Name of Individual or Organization)

Ron Romano

1/22/2026

(Signature)

(Date)

Ron Romano

Executive Director

(Typed Name)

Rev 8/30/23

Public Purpose Statement

Pursuant to HRS §42F-102

(1) Name of Requesting Organization

USTA Hawai'i Pacific, Inc. is a nonprofit organization and the official governing body for tennis in Hawai'i, Guam, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands. The organization is dedicated to expanding access to safe, affordable, and inclusive recreational and educational opportunities statewide.

(2) Public Purpose for the Grant

The public purpose of this grant is to support the development of essential public recreational infrastructure in West O'ahu through Phase I construction of the USTA Hawai'i Pacific West O'ahu Campus, a publicly accessible Tennis and Education Center. The project addresses a documented shortage of public recreational facilities in one of Hawai'i's fastest-growing regions and promotes public health, youth development, social wellbeing, and community cohesion through lifelong sport and structured programming.

(3) Services to Be Supported by the Grant

Grant funds will support capital improvements necessary to construct Phase I of the Campus, including tournament-grade tennis courts, utilities, drainage, lighting, parking, fencing, and ADA-compliant access. Upon completion, the facility will support year-round public services including youth after-school and weekend programs, school-based partnerships, adult and senior recreation, adaptive and inclusive programming, community events, and regional tournaments, all operated by USTA Hawai'i Pacific as a nonprofit public facility.

(4) Target Group

The target population includes youth ages 5–18, families, adults, seniors, and individuals with disabilities residing in West and Central O'ahu, including 'Ewa Beach, Kapolei, Waipahu, Honokai Hale, and surrounding communities. Priority will be given to youth and families from low- and moderate-income households and historically underserved populations through scholarships, free community access opportunities, and school partnerships.

(5) Cost of the Grant and Budget

The requested grant will support a portion of the total Phase I capital project cost for the USTA Hawai'i Pacific West O'ahu Campus. Funds will be applied toward eligible capital expenses including site improvements, court construction, utilities, lighting, parking, fencing, and accessibility features. A detailed budget and funding plan outlining all sources of funds, including organizational reserves and private contributions, is provided in the application.

Application for Grants

If any item is not applicable to the request, the applicant should enter "not applicable".

I. Certification – Please attach immediately after cover page

1. Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate (If the Applicant is an Organization)

If the applicant is an organization, the applicant shall submit one (1) copy of a Hawaii Compliance Express Certificate from the Comptroller of the Department of Accounting and General Services that is dated no earlier than December 1, 2025.

2. Declaration Statement

The applicant shall submit a declaration statement affirming its compliance with [Section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes](#).

3. Public Purpose

The applicant shall specify whether the grant will be used for a public purpose pursuant to [Section 42F-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes](#).

II. Background and Summary

This section shall clearly and concisely summarize and highlight the contents of the request in such a way as to provide the State Legislature with a broad understanding of the request. Please include the following:

1. A brief description of the applicant's background;

USTA Hawai'i Pacific, Inc. is the official nonprofit governing body for tennis in Hawai'i, Guam, American Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands, with more than 50 years of experience delivering youth development, education, recreation, and competitive programming statewide. Founded in 1973, the organization serves thousands of residents annually through leagues, tournaments, after-school programs, school partnerships, adaptive sports initiatives, and community-based recreational opportunities. USTA Hawai'i Pacific currently manages multiple tennis facilities across Hawai'i, demonstrating deep operational expertise in facility oversight, staffing, maintenance, programming, and long-term sustainability.

This request seeks capital funding to support Phase I construction of the USTA Hawai'i Pacific West O'ahu Campus, a seven-acre public Tennis and Education Center located in 'Ewa by Gentry. Phase I includes construction of eight tournament-grade tennis courts, a clubhouse, parking, utilities, drainage, lighting, fencing, and landscaped open

space. The project has secured its Conditional Use Permit from the City and County of Honolulu and has completed design, engineering, and bid development, positioning it as a shovel-ready capital project upon completion of funding.

2. The goals and objectives related to the request;

The primary goals of this request are to:

- Address the critical shortage of public recreational infrastructure in West O‘ahu;
- Expand equitable access to structured youth programming and safe outdoor activity;
- Improve physical and mental health outcomes through lifelong sport participation;
- Create a permanent public facility capable of serving one of Hawai‘i’s fastest-growing regions; and
- Support workforce development, economic activity, and community cohesion through tournaments and events.

3. The public purpose and need to be served;

West O‘ahu is one of the fastest-growing regions in the state, yet it remains significantly underserved by public recreational infrastructure. The ‘Ewa Beach–Kapolei region has a population exceeding 70,000 residents, with thousands more projected as new housing developments come online. Despite this growth, the area has fewer than 10 playable public tennis courts, equating to approximately one court per 7,000 residents, far below the USTA-recommended standard of one court per 2,000 residents. Several existing public courts across O‘ahu have also been lost or repurposed in recent years, further exacerbating access gaps.

This infrastructure deficit directly impacts youth and families. Within a 10-mile radius of the proposed site are more than 24 public schools serving over 22,000 students, many of whom lack access to structured after-school sports due to limited facilities, transportation barriers, or cost. Research consistently shows that participation in organized sports is associated with improved academic performance, reduced behavioral risk, improved mental health, and stronger social connectedness—outcomes of direct relevance to state priorities in education, health, and youth wellbeing.

The proposed Campus addresses these needs by creating a public, nonprofit-operated facility that offers affordable and free programming, scholarships, and school

partnerships. Unlike private clubs or HOA-restricted courts, the Campus will remain open to the general public, ensuring broad access regardless of income, age, or ability.

4. Describe the target population to be served; and

The facility will serve:

- Youth ages 5–18, with a strong focus on after-school, weekend, and summer programming;
- Families and working adults seeking affordable recreation and wellness opportunities;
- Seniors, including kūpuna experiencing social isolation or limited access to physical activity; and
- Individuals with disabilities, through adaptive and inclusive tennis programming.

At least 40% of participants are projected to come from historically underserved or underrepresented populations, including Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, and low- to moderate-income households. Programs will include scholarships, free community play days, racquet loaners, and partnerships with public schools to remove financial and logistical barriers.

5. Describe the geographic coverage.

Geographic coverage includes West and Central O‘ahu, with primary service to ‘Ewa Beach, Kapolei, Waipahu, Honokai Hale, Makakilo, and surrounding communities, while also supporting statewide tournaments and regional events that bring economic activity to the area.

III. Service Summary and Outcomes

The Service Summary shall include a detailed discussion of the applicant’s approach to the request. The applicant shall clearly and concisely specify the results, outcomes, and measures of effectiveness from this request. The applicant shall:

1. Describe the scope of work, tasks and responsibilities;

Phase I scope includes full site development, construction of eight USTA-standard courts, clubhouse facilities, parking, lighting, fencing, irrigation, drainage, and ADA-compliant access. USTA Hawai'i Pacific will oversee project implementation in partnership with licensed Hawai'i-based architects, engineers, and contractors. The organization will assume full ownership and operational responsibility upon completion, ensuring long-term public benefit.

Programming will include year-round youth development programs, after-school Play & Learn classes, adult leagues, senior social play, adaptive tennis, community events, and tournaments.

2. Provide a projected annual timeline for accomplishing the results or outcomes of the service;

FY 2026: Construction and site completion

FY 2027: First full year of operation, serving more than 2,500 unique participants

Ongoing: Expansion of programming, increased tournament hosting, and preparation for Phase II

3. Describe its quality assurance and evaluation plans for the request. Specify how the applicant plans to monitor, evaluate, and improve their results; and

USTA Hawai'i Pacific will utilize data-driven monitoring systems to track participation, retention, scholarship utilization, and program outcomes. Facility usage will be monitored through scheduling software and financial reporting. Annual internal evaluations and reporting to the expending agency will ensure accountability, transparency, and continuous improvement.

4. List the measure(s) of effectiveness that will be reported to the State agency through which grant funds are appropriated (the expending agency). The measure(s) will provide a standard and objective way for the State to assess the program's achievement or accomplishment. Please note that if the level of appropriation differs from the amount included in this application that the measure(s) of effectiveness will need to be updated and transmitted to the expending agency.

Reported measures will include:

- Number of courts constructed and operational
- Annual participants served (projected 2,500+ in Phase I)

- Number of youth enrolled in Play & Learn and after-school programs
- Number of free or subsidized community access hours provided
- Number of tournaments and community events hosted annually
- Geographic distribution of participants served

IV. Financial

Budget

1. The applicant shall submit a budget utilizing the enclosed budget forms as applicable, to detail the cost of the request.
 - a. Budget request by source of funds ([Link](#))
 - b. Personnel salaries and wages ([Link](#))
 - c. Equipment and motor vehicles ([Link](#))
 - d. Capital project details ([Link](#))
 - e. Government contracts, grants, and grants in aid ([Link](#))

Phase I total project cost is \$8,495,200. USTA Hawai'i Pacific has committed \$3,000,000 in organizational reserves, demonstrating strong internal investment. Additional funding is being leveraged from national USTA sources and private philanthropy. State capital funding is requested to support core public infrastructure elements that will remain publicly accessible for decades.

2. The applicant shall provide its anticipated quarterly funding requests for the fiscal year 2027.

Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total Grant
\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$1,000,000

3. The applicant shall provide a listing of all other sources of funding that they are seeking for fiscal year 2027.
4.
 - USTA Hawai'i Pacific reserves
 - National USTA Major Facility Grant
 - Private donors and corporate sponsorships
 - Anticipated State CIP funding

4. The applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits it has been granted within the prior three years. Additionally, the applicant shall provide a listing of all state and federal tax credits they have applied for or anticipate applying for pertaining to any capital project, if applicable.

Not applicable.

5. The applicant shall provide a listing of all federal, state, and county government contracts, grants, and grants in aid it has been granted within the prior three years and will be receiving for fiscal year 2027 for program funding.

Not applicable/ no federal, state, and county government contracts, grants, and grants in aid have been granted within the prior three years.

6. The applicant shall provide the balance of its unrestricted current assets as of December 31, 2025.

V. Experience and Capability

1. Necessary Skills and Experience

The applicant shall demonstrate that it has the necessary skills, abilities, knowledge of, and experience relating to the request. State your experience and appropriateness for providing the service proposed in this application. The applicant shall also provide a listing of verifiable experience of related projects or contracts for the most recent three years that are pertinent to the request.

USTA Hawai'i Pacific has more than 50 years of experience delivering tennis programming, managing facilities, and overseeing large-scale projects. The organization currently operates multiple tennis facilities statewide and has demonstrated capacity in staffing, budgeting, compliance, and long-term sustainability. Recent projects include facility renovations, resurfacing, and expanded programming at sites on O'ahu, Maui, and Hawai'i Island

2. Facilities

The applicant shall provide a description of its facilities and demonstrate its adequacy in relation to the request. If facilities are not presently available, describe plans to secure facilities.

The proposed West O'ahu Campus site has secured land use approval and is fully entitled. Construction-ready plans, contractor bids, and environmental reviews are complete.

VI. Personnel: Project Organization and Staffing

1. Proposed Staffing, Staff Qualifications, Supervision and Training

The applicant shall describe the proposed staffing pattern and proposed service capacity appropriate for the viability of the request. The applicant shall provide the qualifications and experience of personnel for the request and shall describe its ability to supervise, train and provide administrative direction relative to the request.

Project oversight will be led by USTA Hawai'i Pacific's Executive Director in collaboration with the Board of Directors, certified tennis professionals, and facility management staff. Program delivery will be supported by trained coaches, program coordinators, and administrative personnel with extensive experience in youth development and community recreation.

2. Organization Chart

The applicant shall illustrate the position of each staff and line of responsibility/supervision. If the request is part of a large, multi-purpose organization, include an organization chart that illustrates the placement of this request.

Ron Romano, Executive Director- Executive oversight, project management
Jony Conching, Office Manager- Project Management

The project falls within USTA Hawai'i Pacific's core operations, reporting through executive leadership to the Board of Directors.

3. Compensation

The applicant shall provide an annual salary range paid by the applicant to the three highest paid officers, directors, or employees of the organization by position title, not employee name.

Executive Director: \$145,841

Office Manager: \$76,279

Annual salary ranges for the organization's three highest-paid positions are consistent with nonprofit industry standards.

VII. Other

1. Litigation

The applicant shall disclose any pending litigation to which they are a party, including the disclosure of any outstanding judgement. If applicable, please explain.

USTA Hawai'i Pacific has no pending litigation.

2. Licensure or Accreditation

The applicant shall specify any special qualifications, including but not limited to licensure or accreditation that the applicant possesses relevant to this request.

Any licensure or accreditation for organization/ and or staff?

3. Private Educational Institutions

The applicant shall specify whether the grant will be used to support or benefit a sectarian or non-sectarian private educational institution. Please see [Article X, Section 1, of the State Constitution](#) for the relevance of this question.

This grant will not support or benefit a sectarian or non-sectarian private educational institution.

4. Future Sustainability Plan

The applicant shall provide a plan for sustaining after fiscal year 2027 the activity funded by the grant if the grant of this application is:

- (a) Received by the applicant for fiscal year 2027, but
- (b) Not received by the applicant thereafter.

If funding is received for FY 2027 but not thereafter, the Campus will be sustained through earned revenue from programming, memberships, court rentals, tournaments, sponsorships, and ongoing philanthropy. Revenues will be reinvested into operations, maintenance, and scholarships, ensuring the facility remains a long-term public asset without reliance on continued legislative appropriations.

Attachments

BUDGET REQUEST BY SOURCE OF FUNDS

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: USTA Hawaii Pacific

BUDGET CATEGORIES	Total State Funds Requested (a)	Total Federal Funds Requested (b)	Total County Funds Requested (c)	Total Private/Other Funds Requested (d)
A. PERSONNEL COST				
1. Salaries				
2. Payroll Taxes & Assessments				
3. Fringe Benefits				
TOTAL PERSONNEL COST				
B. OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
1. Airfare, Inter-Island				
2. Insurance				
3. Lease/Rental of Equipment				
4. Lease/Rental of Space				
5. Staff Training				
6. Supplies				
7. Telecommunication				
8. Utilities				
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TOTAL OTHER CURRENT EXPENSES				
C. EQUIPMENT PURCHASES				
D. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES				
E. CAPITAL	1,000,000			

TOTAL (A+B+C+D+E)	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!
SOURCES OF FUNDING		Budget Prepared By:		
(a) Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000	Ron Romano	808-585-9526	
(b) Total Federal Funds Requested		Name (Please type or print)	Phone	
(c) Total County Funds Requested		<i>Ron Romano</i>	1/22/2026	
(d) Total Private/Other Funds Requested		Signature of Authorized Official	Date	
TOTAL BUDGET	1,000,000	Ron Romano, Executive Director		
		Name and Title (Please type or print)		

BUDGET JUSTIFICATION - EQUIPMENT AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Applicant: _____

DESCRIPTION EQUIPMENT	NO. OF ITEMS	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
<i>NA</i>			\$ -	
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			\$ -	
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			\$ -	
TOTAL:				
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

DESCRIPTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE	NO. OF VEHICLES	COST PER VEHICLE	TOTAL COST	TOTAL BUDGETED
<i>NA</i>			\$ -	
			\$ -	
			\$ -	
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			\$ -	
TOTAL:				
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:				

Applicant: USTA Hawaii Pacific

FUNDING AMOUNT REQUESTED						
TOTAL PROJECT COST	ALL SOURCES OF FUNDS RECEIVED IN PRIOR YEARS		STATE FUNDS REQUESTED	OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS REQUESTED	FUNDING REQUIRED IN SUCCEEDING YEARS	
	FY:2024-2025	FY:2025-2026	FY:2026-2027	FY:2026-2027	FY:2027-2028	FY:2028-2029
PLANS						
LAND ACQUISITION						
DESIGN						
CONSTRUCTION			\$1,000,000.00			
EQUIPMENT						
TOTAL:			\$1,000,000.00			
JUSTIFICATION/COMMENTS:						

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND / OR GRANTS IN AID

Applicant: _____

Contracts Total: -

	CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATES	AGENCY	GOVERNMENT ENTITY (U.S./State/Hawaii/ Honolulu/ Kauai/ Maui County)	CONTRACT VALUE
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Ron Romano

Executive Director, USTA Hawaii West Campus

808.585-9526 | romano@hawaii.usta.com

Professional Summary

Ron Romano is a seasoned executive and tennis professional with more than two decades of leadership experience managing premier resort facilities, large-scale recreational operations, and complex hospitality environments. He brings extensive expertise in facility management, staff supervision, budgeting, and strategic planning.

Executive & Facility Management Experience

Ron has held senior leadership roles including Vice President of Operations at Kauai Lagoons Resort, General Manager of the Sheraton Makaha Resort, and General Manager of the Kauai Coconut Beach Resort. He oversaw daily operations, capital improvements, regulatory compliance, vendor relationships, and multi-department staff teams within high-volume resort environments.

Tennis & Program Leadership

A USPTA and PTR certified tennis professional, Ron has over 12 years of experience as a teaching professional, including five years with Peter Burwash International. He served as Head Professional and Director of Tennis at four Top 50 tennis resorts including Mauna Lani Bay Hotel, Mauna Kea Beach Hotel, and The Westin Kauai.

Education

Master of Business Administration, Touro College, New York
Bachelor of Arts, Moravian College, Pennsylvania

Military Service

Officer, Army National Guard

Start Year with USTA Hawaii Pacific

2002

Jony Conching

Office Manager & Marketing Manager, USTA Hawaii West Campus

808.585-9503 | conching@hawaii.usta.com

Professional Summary

Jony Conching is an experienced office and operations manager with a strong background in administration, customer service, marketing, and communications. She plays a central role in supporting facility operations and organizational effectiveness at USTA Hawaii Pacific.

Administrative & Operations Experience

Since 2006, Jony has served as Office Manager for USTA Hawaii Pacific, overseeing scheduling, communications, registration support, internal coordination, and administrative systems essential to daily facility operations.

Marketing & Communications

Jony also serves as Marketing Manager, leading production of the annual yearbook, newsletters, website updates, advertising, and promotional materials that support program growth and community engagement.

Retail & Customer Service Background

Jony holds a bachelor's degree in Retail and Fashion Marketing from the University of Massachusetts and has held sales and management roles with Liberty House, Neiman Marcus, boutiques, and an architectural firm.

Education

Bachelor of Science, Retail and Fashion Marketing
University of Massachusetts

Start Year with USTA Hawaii Pacific

2006

USTA HAWAII PACIFIC, INC

RON ROMANO: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Jony Conching
Office &
Marketing

Madeleine Dreith
Director of

Instructors:
FT (2) PT(31)

Oceane Adam
Director of Junior
Tennis

**Junior Tennis
Coordinator**

Sara Yoshinaga
Director of Adult
Tennis

**Adult League
Coordinators**

Jimmy Lange
Program Manager

**Hawaii Prince
Tennis Club**
Director of Tennis:

**Royal Kona
Tennis Club**
Director of Tennis:

**Royal Lahaina
Tennis Ranch Pro**
Shop Manager:

Full Time: 11
Part Time: 36

THE GENTRY COMPANIES



November 5, 2025

USTA National Office – Grants Review Committee
United States Tennis Association

Re: Letter of Support — USTA Hawaii Pacific Campus (Ewa by Gentry)

Dear Grants Review Committee:

On behalf of Gentry Homes, Ltd., I'm pleased to express our strong support for the USTA Hawaii Pacific Section (HPS) and its application to the USTA National Office to help fund the USTA Hawaii Pacific Campus — a Tennis & Education Center for All.

This project proposes a 7-acre campus with top-tier courts, professional coaching, and community programs designed for all ages, abilities, and backgrounds—from casual players to competitors.

As a Hawai'i homebuilder whose mission is *People building quality homes and communities for a better Hawai'i*, we see this Center as critical social infrastructure for West O'ahu. It will:

- Expand equitable access to healthy recreation and lifelong sport
- Create a welcoming, inclusive hub for youth development, families, and seniors
- Host tournaments, leagues, and events—bringing positive economic and community activity to Ewa Beach

With the Hawaii Pacific Section's fundraising campaign now underway, we respectfully encourage favorable consideration of this grant request. Gentry Homes supports the project and its community purpose and looks forward to continuing collaboration to help it succeed.

Mahalo for your service and thoughtful review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Quentin Machida".

Quentin Machida
President & CEO

SENATOR MIKE GABBARD

21ST DISTRICT

KAPOLEI, MAKAKILO,
KALAELOA, AND PORTIONS OF
FERNANDEZ VILLAGE AND EWA



The Senate
Ka 'Aha Kenekoa

STATE CAPITOL
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

November 13, 2025

CHAIRMAN

AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT

MEMBER

JUDICIARY

MEMBER

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

USTA National Office – Grants Review Committee
United States Tennis Association

Aloha e Grants Review Committee:

As the State Senator for Hawai'i's District 21 (Kapolei, Makakilo, Kalaeloa, Honokai Hale, portions of Fernandez Village, 'Ewa, and Ko 'Olina), I'm pleased to offer my **strong support** for the USTA Hawai'i Pacific Section's grant application to help fund the **USTA Hawai'i Pacific Campus — a Tennis & Education Center for All** in 'Ewa by Gentry.

This project envisions a **seven-acre** community campus with quality courts, coaching, and education programs that welcome keiki, kūpuna, and players of all abilities. Based in the heart of West O'ahu, the Center will serve as essential social infrastructure that strengthens health, education, and economic opportunity in our growing region. It will:

- **Expand equitable access** to healthy recreation and a lifelong sport for families across West O'ahu;
- **Create a welcoming, inclusive hub** for youth development, schools partnerships, kūpuna programming, and adaptive/para-tennis;
- **Host tournaments, leagues, and events** that bring positive economic activity to 'Ewa and Kapolei; and
- **Develop workforce pathways** for local coaches, officials, and program leaders.

With Hawai'i Pacific Section's fundraising now underway, I **respectfully encourage favorable consideration** of this request. My office supports the project's community purpose and looks forward to continued collaboration to help it succeed.

Mahalo for your time and thoughtful review.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Mike Gabbard
State Senator, District 21

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING
KA 'OIHANA HO'OLĀLĀ A ME NĀ PALAPALA 'AE
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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RICK BLANGIARDI
MAYOR
MEIA



DAWN TAKEUCHI APUNA
DIRECTOR
PO'O

BRYAN GALLAGHER, P.E.
DEPUTY DIRECTOR
HOPE PO'O

REGINA MALEPEAI
2ND DEPUTY DIRECTOR
HOPE PO'O KUALUA

June 23, 2025

2025/CUP-8(MM)

Mr. James T. Hayes
Planning Solutions, Inc.
711 Kapiolani Boulevard Suite 950
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Hayes:

SUBJECT: Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Minor File No. 2025/CUP-8
USTA Tennis Campus
Corner of Iroquois Road and Keaunui Drive – Ewa Beach
Tax Map Key 9-1-102: 073

The above application for a CUP Minor, to construct a tennis facility and campus in the P-2 General Preservation District, has been **APPROVED**, subject to conditions of approval. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order, including the conditions of approval, are enclosed.

Any party (to the case) wishing to appeal the Director's action must submit a written petition to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) within 30 calendar days from the date of mailing or personal service of the Director's written decision (ZBA Rules Relating to Procedure for Appeals, Rule 22-2 Mandatory Appeal Filing Deadline). Essentially, the ZBA rules require that a petitioner show that the Director based her action on an erroneous finding of a material fact and/or that the Director acted in an arbitrary or capricious manner, or manifestly abused her discretion. Generally, the ZBA can only consider the evidence previously presented to the Director of the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP). The filing fee for appeals to the ZBA is \$400 (payable to the "City and County of Honolulu").

Failure to comply with ZBA Rules Chapter 22, Procedure for Appeals, may result in the dismissal of the appeal. Copies of the ZBA rules are available at the DPP.

Appeals should be addressed to:

Zoning Board of Appeals
c/o Department of Planning and Permitting
650 South King Street, 7th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Should you have any questions, please contact Molly Murai, of our Land Use Approval Branch, at (808) 768-8016 or via email at molly.murai@honolulu.gov.

Very truly yours,


Dawn Takeuchi Apuna
Director

Enclosures: Findings of Facts, Conclusions of Law, and Decision of Order
Exhibits A, B, C-1 through C-8, D and E