## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF REGULATIONS OF THE EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY, INC.

The Board of Trustees presents the following proposed amendments to the Code of Regulations to be considered as a Special Meeting of the Members of the Assembly to be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2024, at 7:00 pm, immediately prior to the November Monthly Meeting. Proposed additional language is marked in red with underlining. Proposed deleted language is marked in red with strikethrough.

The Board of Trustees recommends the adoption of these proposed amendments. Amendments 1-3 are needed to maintain our access to City funding. Amendment 4 is a housekeeping matter.

**AMENDMENT 1:** To amend Article II, Section 2.1, to add a nondiscrimination statement, as required by the City of Cincinnati.

Section 2.1. Qualification. Any person age 18 or older who resides, or owns real property, or regularly conducts business, in the East Walnut Hills community or who wishes to promote and support the activities of the Corporation and who pays dues set by the Board of Trustees of the Corporation (the "Board") shall be a member of the Corporation (a "Member"). Membership shall be open without regard to race, gender, religion, creed, national origin, sexual orientation, or nature of housing.

**AMENDMENT 2:** To amend Article II, Section 2.3, to clarify the rights of residents to vote on certain subjects.

Section 2.3. Special Voting Rights of Residents. Any person who is a resident of the East Walnut Hills Neighborhood but who is not a Member with voting rights may nevertheless vote at any meeting of the Members on any matter concerning the Neighborhood Support Program or any other issue open to the vote of residents of the East Walnut Hills Neighborhood by ordinance or regulation of the City of Cincinnati. In compliance with the provision of City of Cincinnati Ordinance No. 220-1989 at least once per year any group of at least at least five or more residents of the East Walnut Hills Neighborhood may require a special vote at which only residents of the East Walnut Hills Neighborhood may vote to determine whether persons other than residents of the East Walnut Hills Neighborhood shall continue to have voting privileges or be eligible to hold office.

**AMENDMENT 3:** To amend Article II to add a new Section 3.4 (and to redesignate existing Section 3.4 as Section 3.5) to state explicitly that Assembly meetings are open to all residents of the neighborhood, to facilitate the special voting rights under Section 2.3.

Section 3.4. Meetings Open to All Residents. All meetings of the Members shall be open to all residents of the East Walnut Hills Neighborhood, whether or not such residents are Members.

**AMENDMENT 4:** To amend Article I to refine our definition of the neighborhood. For the most part, these changes are not intended to enlarge or diminish the current definition, but to eliminate ambiguity, fill in gaps, and correct editing errors. Please note that both the current and revised definitions include areas we consider to be under overlapping jurisdiction with the Evanston Community Council.

## Article I. The East Walnut Hills Neighborhood

The term "the East Walnut Hills Neighborhood" shall mean the following geographic area:

Starting on the center line west boundary of Victory Parkway as it crosses from Eden Park and extends along the center line west boundary of Victory Parkway in a generally northerly direction to a point corresponding to the center line of Merrimac Street south boundary of Hoffman School, then east along the center line south boundary of Merrimac Street to Woodburn Avenue, then north along the center line of Woodburn Avenue to a point corresponding with east to the south east (or rear) boundary of parcels fronting on the south side of Fairfax Avenue, then east along the south boundary of such parcels in a generally westerly direction to the east boundary of Owl's Nest Park, then clockwise around the boundary of Owl's Nest Park to the intersection of Elmhurst Avenue and extending across Madison Road, then along the center line of Elmhurst Avenue to the west boundary of Torrence Parkway, then and continuing along the center line west boundary of Torrence Parkway to Columbia Parkway, then along the center line of Columbia Parkway to the west boundary of Kemper Lane, then along the center line west boundary of Kemper Lane to the point lying under the center line west boundary of Victory Parkway.