

**THE EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 7:00 PM
St. Francis de Sales School Cafeteria
AMENDED MARCH 9, 2025**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Vote
Welcome	<p>Kimberly Jacobs, Vice President of the EWHA Board, called the monthly meeting to order at approximately 7:05 p.m. Approximately 25 people attended the meeting in person. No Zoom option was provided.</p> <p>News Channel 19 attended to film the meeting as well.</p>	None
1. Cincinnati Police Report	<p>Officer Perry Locke presented the crime statistics for February.</p> <p><u>Crime Noted:</u> 1 Burglary/Breaking & Entering, 1 Theft from Auto, 2 Auto Theft, and 1 Personal Thefts.</p> <p>The burglary occurred in a vacated building across from St Ursula during cold weather. Unfortunately, the individual that broke in started a fire to stay warm and caught the building on fire. Luckily the officers got in time to get the individual out safely.</p> <p>Officer Perry Locke: 513-979-4433; Email: perry.locke@cincinnati-oh.gov; Supervisor, Sergeant Sellers: 513-979-4470</p>	None
2. Bush Recreation Center Report	<p>Vanessa Henderson provided an update on the Bush Recreation Center activities.</p> <p>Upcoming events include: Feb 14: Valentine’s Day Luncheon & Line Dancing Feb 15: Annual Mayor’s Career Expo Feb 18: Motown Paint Party Feb 21: Adult Co-ed Dodgeball</p> <p>For details on these events, see the attached Bush Recreation Center flyer.</p> <p>Aquatics is looking for summer lifeguards; classes and training are offered. Additionally, details on summer camp registration and pickleball are noted on the flyer attached.</p> <p>Feel free to contact Ms Henderson with questions or suggestions at 513-281-1286.</p>	None
3. Assembly Minutes	<p>The December 4, 2024 and January 8, 2025 Assembly Meeting minutes have been posted on the website. Both were approved with separate votes.</p>	<p>December 4, 2024 meeting minutes approved.</p> <p>January 8, 2025 meeting minutes approved</p>
4. Treasurer’s Report	<p>Kimberly presented the December 2024 Treasurer’s report on Vince Accorinti’s behalf. The report was available at the meeting and was posted on the website prior to the meeting. If you have any questions regarding the Treasurer’s report, reach out to Vince.</p>	None

<p>5. Electrification Education</p>	<p>Nolan Brown from the City of Cincinnati, Office of Environmental & Sustainability spoke on Electrification Education.</p> <p>The City of Cincinnati’s program on residential electrification is called Electrify Cincinnati with the goal of helping individuals understand how to convert home appliances powered by gas, to electric.</p> <p>Why Change?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Environmental: reducing fossil fuel usage 2. Health & Wellbeing: Improve local air quality & home fire safety 3. Financial: If converted the right way, the energy efficiencies will pay off and save money <p>Steps to Take if Interested:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prep: Have professional energy audit, including testing, which will provide the home with a customized plan 2. Weatherization: Have home air sealed, so heating and/or cooling is less likely to escape 3. Replace: Start replacing appliances (electrification), including car and lawn equipment, per the customized plan at a cadence that is financially feasible. “When it dies, electrify.” 4. Production: If the home is suitable, install solar panels <p>Attached in the meeting minutes is additional guidance on energy tax credits. Additionally, join the group’s email list to be informed when new tax credit guidance is released.</p> <p>Feel free to contact Nolan Brown with questions at nolan.brown@cincinnati-oh.gov or find additional information on the website at www.electrifycincy.org.</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>6. Infrastructure</p>	<p>Ryan Crane reported.</p> <p>Based on neighborhood feedback, Madison Road continues to be the top safety concern. Given the car volume, DOTE feedback, and cost, a road diet (taking Madison from 2 lanes each direction to 1 lane each direction, plus a turn lane) appears to be the best option. To implement, the first phase of the project would be the completion of a Feasibility & Design study for ~\$150,000 with the total implementation cost estimated as \$2-3 million for the section from Gilbert to Cohoon in O'Bryonville. The most costly portion of this estimate is the installation of bike lanes.</p> <p>Ryan wanted to get some preliminary feedback from the Assembly regarding the appeal of this option and willingness to use the neighborhood's TIF funding to complete. If there was interest, Ryan would take a formal vote to pursue TIF funding for the \$150,000 Feasibility & Design study at the March meeting.</p> <p>Feedback was mixed. Most of those that spoke up liked the road diet design and were generally aligned to the \$150,000 study. However, the biggest concern was the total implementation cost. If EWH used the full \$2-3 million for the road diet, the neighborhood’s TIF funds would be largely depleted and couldn’t be used for other investments. For reference, projects like the two-way conversion and 6 ‘N The Morning building development have been funded with TIF in the past. Other funding sources will be investigated over time.</p> <p>Ryan will post additional information on the EWH website prior to next meeting. The Assembly will also plan to vote on the pursuit of using TIF funds for the \$150,000 Feasibility & Design study next meeting.</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>7. Farmer’s Market</p>	<p>Deb Dereshkevich reported.</p>	<p>None</p>

	<p>During the winter, the Farmer's Market is taking meat orders the first and third Saturday of each month from Brookside Farms. All orders need to be placed the Friday before and will be delivered to ETC Produce.</p> <p>The regular Farmer's Market season will start in May and is looking for volunteers. Contact Deb if interested.</p>	
8. Business Association (BA)	<p>Deb Dereshkevich reported.</p> <p>The business district is holding a Valentine's weekend punchcard promotion. If customers visit four participating businesses and get their cards punched, they will be entered into a drawing for prizes valued at over \$300. Come out and support our local businesses. The flyer is attached.</p>	None
9. Membership	<p>Chris Davis reported.</p> <p>Membership mailers will go out this week. However, EWH Assembly 2025 membership renewal/new joins can be completed online at www.eastwalthills.org/join-now</p>	None
10. Communications	<p>Chris Davis reported.</p> <p>Neighborhood emails should increase to inform neighbors of upcoming events or important information to the 700+ distribution list. If anyone has information that should be shared, contact Chris.</p>	None
11. Public Art & Pocket Park	<p>Jinny Berten reported.</p> <p>The recently reopened San Marco helped restore the Pocket Park during the building renovation. The fountain should be working and ready to be turned on in the spring. The donor plaque is being replaced.</p>	None
12. Development	<p>Steve Ramos reported with comments from Drew Gores on the Hoffman School site and a representative from the Edgecliff properties on the Kemper development.</p> <p>The DCDC Committee is continuing its work on identifying properties related to an expanded Hackberry/Cleinview Historic District. The group is using \$2,000 of allocated funding to hire an architect or similar professional to finalize the language in the designation report and craft a historic update submission to the City of Cincinnati.</p> <p>The expanded Timothy Freeman, MD, Center for Developmental Disabilities will open in the old UC Health Physicians building on Victory Parkway. A representative from the center will present to the Assembly at the June meeting and the center expects to open in September.</p> <p>Connected Communities is holding a town hall on Feb 15 Town Hall from 12-3PM. Sign up to attend online and hear the proposed changes and provide feedback on the plan.</p> <p>The Cincinnati Planning Commission originally declined approval of The Mingo on December 20 to allow for additional community engagement. As a reminder, The Mingo is the first phase of a planned 240-unit multi-family project at 3049 Woodburn Avenue. On January 16, the Evanston Community Council did not offer the developer Kingsley + Co. a letter of support. The developer is still planning to return to the Planning Commission for approval. Neighbors are welcome and encouraged to attend the next City Planning Commission at 9AM on Friday, January 17, on the third floor of City Hall at 801 Plum Street.</p> <p>Residents of the Edgecliff residences are concerned with the extent of the variances that were requested for the Kemper/Columbia development. While</p>	None

	these variances were previously appealed, the decision was appealed and approval withdrawn in December, after legal involvement. Once the final ruling has been filed, the developer will have 30 days to respond. As long as the developer continues to propose significant cuts in the hillside, the Edgecliff Residents will continue to challenge. However, their hope is to resolve the issues amicably.	
Adjournment	There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m.	None

Assembly meeting pre-reading: [Agenda, December 2024 Treasurer's Report](#)

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ASSEMBLY WILL TAKE PLACE ON MARCH 5th AT 7:00 P.M. Meetings will take place at the St. Francis de Sales School cafeteria.

Submitted by Brandi Yoder, Secretary

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EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY AGENDA

Feb 5, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

St. Francis De Sales School Cafeteria

1. City Department Presentations
 - a. Cincinnati Police Department *Officer Perry Locke*
 - b. Cincinnati Fire Department
 - c. Bush Recreation Center, CRC *Center Coordinator Vanessa Henderson*
2. Approval of Minutes from the Assembly Meetings Dec 4, 2024, Jan 8, 2025
3. Treasurer's Report *Vince Accorinti*
4. **Electrification Education** *Nolan Brown*
City of Cincinnati, Office of Environment & Sustainability
5. Committee Reports *Various Committee Chairs*

Adjournment

Next regular meeting
East Walnut Hills Assembly
Annual Meeting / Regular Monthly Meeting
Mar 5, 2024 at 7:00 pm
St. Francis De Sales School Cafeteria

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Sign In

2/5/2025

Name (please print)	Are you a resident of EWH (y/n)?	Are you receiving emails from EWH Assembly (y/n)?	If you wish to be added to the EWH Assembly email list, please provide your email address.	Are you a Member of the EWH Assembly (y/n)? Must be current on dues.
Michael Nutter	Y	N		Y
POG Roudsack	Y	N		Y
Side Ritzky	Y	N		Y
Jim Helmeck	Y	Y		Y
Freeman Durkan	Y	Y		Y
Deb Bercknerich	Y	Y		Y
Anne Shannon	Y	Y		Y
Marilyn Richey	Y	Y		Y
Donald Garris	Y	Y		Y
Nate Hohhaus	Y	N		N
Nolan Brown	N	N		N
R. BOYDSTON	Y	Y		Y
Ger Kern	Y	Y		Y
Elizabeth Fry	Y	N		Y
Julia Schwartz	Y	Y		Y
CHRIS SAIS	Y	Y		Y
WALTERS				No

EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY

Monthly Report
12/1/2024 - 12/31/2024

Month 6

	ANNUAL BUDGET	12/1/2024 12/31/2024	MONTHLY BUDGET	MONTHLY VARIANCE	7/1/2024 12/31/2024	YTD BUDGET	YTD VARIANCE
INCOME							
01A Dues - Membership	9,250.00	140.00	770.83	-630.83	460.00	4,625.00	-4,165.00
01B Dues - Business Association	300.00	0.00	25.00	-25.00	10.00	150.00	-140.00
02A Grant - Neighborhood Support Program (NSP)	7,375.00	0.00	614.58	-614.58	0.00	3,687.50	-3,687.50
02B Grant - Neighborhood Business District (NBD)	3,750.00	0.00	312.50	-312.50	3,750.00	1,875.00	1,875.00
02C Grant - AIG	875.00	0.00	72.92	-72.92	875.00	437.50	437.50
02D Grant - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
02E Grant - CBA Funds	8,500.00	0.00	708.33	-708.33	0.00	4,250.00	-4,250.00
03A Event Sponsorships or Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
03B Designated Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
03C Other Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
03E DeSales Community Garden Fees	250.00	0.00	20.83	-20.83	0.00	125.00	-125.00
04A Parking - Woodburn Lot	40,000.00	3,669.89	3,333.33	336.56	28,950.95	20,000.00	8,950.95
04B Parking - Madison Lot	17,500.00	1,873.88	1,458.33	415.55	15,566.40	8,750.00	6,816.40
05A Event Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
05B Business Assoc Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
06 Merchandise Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
09 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	87,800.00	5,683.77	7,316.67	-1,632.90	51,112.35	43,900.00	7,212.35
EXPENSES							
11 Website / Social Media	9,000.00	650.00	750.00	-100.00	4,495.95	4,500.00	-4.05
12 Kiosk	200.00	0.00	16.67	-16.67	205.00	100.00	105.00
13 Membership Letter	2,250.00	1,436.25	187.50	1,248.75	1,436.25	1,125.00	311.25
14 Assembly Meetings	800.00	15.99	66.67	-50.68	111.93	400.00	-288.07
15 Newsletter	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
16 T-Shirts / Other Merchandise	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
17 Entry Signs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
19 Other Outreach	250.00	200.00	20.83	179.17	200.00	125.00	75.00
TOTAL 10 Outreach Expenses	12,500.00	2,302.24	1,041.67	1,260.57	6,449.13	6,250.00	199.13
21A D&O Insurance	660.00	0.00	55.00	-55.00	0.00	330.00	-330.00
21B General Liability Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
22 PO Box	375.00	0.00	31.25	-31.25	389.00	187.50	201.50
23 Credit Card Processing / Bank Charges	250.00	5.56	20.83	-15.27	14.91	125.00	-110.09
29 Other Administration	250.00	0.00	20.83	-20.83	100.00	125.00	-25.00
TOTAL 20 Administration	1,535.00	5.56	127.92	-122.36	503.91	767.50	-263.59
31 Marketing NBD Funds	2,500.00	0.00	208.33	-208.33	0.00	1,250.00	-1,250.00
BA Funds	7,360.00	1,412.85	613.33	799.52	4,647.85	3,680.00	967.85
Other Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
32 WoW / BA Events NBD Funds	1,250.00	0.00	104.17	-104.17	0.00	625.00	-625.00
BA Funds	3,619.00	3,581.00	301.58	3,279.42	3,581.00	1,809.50	1,771.50
39A Other Business Assoc BA Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EWHA Funds	2,500.00	627.48	208.33	419.15	627.48	1,250.00	-622.52
TOTAL 30 Business Association	17,229.00	5,621.33	1,435.75	4,185.58	8,856.33	8,614.50	241.83
41 Flower Pots	14,355.00	0.00	1,196.25	-1,196.25	9,570.00	7,177.50	2,392.50
42 Traffic Islands / Kiosk Plantings	2,800.00	0.00	233.33	-233.33	1,135.45	1,400.00	-264.55
43 Pocket Park	1,250.00	0.00	104.17	-104.17	0.00	625.00	-625.00
48 1620 DeSales Community Garden	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	382.40	0.00	382.40
49 Other Beautification	5,000.00	1,248.57	416.67	831.90	1,248.57	2,500.00	-1,251.43
TOTAL 40 Beautification	23,405.00	1,248.57	1,950.42	-701.85	12,336.42	11,702.50	633.92
51 Pottery Fair	250.00	0.00	20.83	-20.83	0.00	125.00	-125.00
52 National Night Out	250.00	0.00	20.83	-20.83	0.00	125.00	-125.00
53 Movie Nights	1,500.00	0.00	125.00	-125.00	0.00	750.00	-750.00
57 2024 Fall Community Celebration	3,350.00	0.00	279.17	-279.17	3,071.82	1,675.00	1,396.82
58 Evanston Event Collaboration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
59 Other Event Expense	2,500.00	0.00	208.33	-208.33	0.00	1,250.00	-1,250.00
TOTAL 50 Event Committee	7,850.00	0.00	654.17	-654.17	3,071.82	3,925.00	-853.18
61 Utilities	950.00	81.33	79.17	2.16	444.99	475.00	-30.01
62 Taxes	3,400.00	0.00	283.33	-283.33	0.00	1,700.00	-1,700.00
63 Insurance	2,250.00	0.00	187.50	-187.50	0.00	1,125.00	-1,125.00
64 Maintenance	5,000.00	0.00	416.67	-416.67	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00
65 Administration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
66 Credit Card Processing / Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
67 Parking Machine	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
69 Other Woodburn Lot Expense	1,000.00	0.00	83.33	-83.33	0.00	500.00	-500.00
TOTAL 60 Woodburn Parking Lot	12,600.00	81.33	1,050.00	-968.67	444.99	6,300.00	-5,855.01
71 Utilities	1,600.00	222.56	133.33	89.23	856.80	800.00	56.80
73 Insurance	3,700.00	0.00	308.33	-308.33	0.00	1,850.00	-1,850.00
74 Maintenance	5,000.00	0.00	416.67	-416.67	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00
75 Administration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
76 Credit Card Processing / Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
77 Parking Machine	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
79 Other Madison Lot Expense	1,000.00	0.00	83.33	-83.33	0.00	500.00	-500.00
TOTAL 70 Madison Parking Lot	11,300.00	222.56	941.67	-719.11	856.80	5,650.00	-4,793.20
TOTAL EXPENSES	86,419.00	9,481.59	7,201.60	2,279.99	32,519.40	43,209.50	-10,690.10
OVERALL TOTAL	1,381.00	-3,797.82	115.07	-3,912.89	18,592.95	690.50	17,902.45

	BALANCE SHEET (Month)			BALANCE SHEET (YTD)		
	11/30/2024	12/31/2024	Net Change	6/30/2024	12/31/2024	Net Change
110 Operating Account						
Unrestricted Cash	6,626.93	5,488.37	-1,138.56	19,974.14	5,488.37	-14,485.77
NSP 2024	4,044.82	0.00	-4,044.82	4,044.82	0.00	-4,044.82
NBD 2024	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AIG 2024	875.00	0.00	-875.00	0.00	875.00	875.00
CPAC 2024	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Restricted	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL Operating Account	<u>11,546.75</u>	<u>5,488.37</u>	<u>-6,058.38</u>	<u>24,018.96</u>	<u>5,488.37</u>	<u>-18,530.59</u>
111 Madison Parking Lot Account	33,750.25	35,401.57	1,651.32	20,691.97	35,401.57	14,709.60
112 Woodburn Parking Lot Account	96,081.02	98,117.74	2,036.72	73,623.81	98,117.74	24,493.93
113 Business Association	11,494.04	10,066.56	-1,427.48	10,979.04	10,066.56	-912.48
114 Business Association PayPal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
115 Cash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
116 Advance to DCDC	0.00	0.00	0.00	162.19	0.00	-162.19
117 Rainbow Building Promissory Note	20,924.04	20,924.04	0.00	21,929.36	20,924.04	-1,005.32
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	<u>173,796.10</u>	<u>169,998.28</u>	<u>-3,797.82</u>	<u>151,405.33</u>	<u>169,998.28</u>	<u>18,592.95</u>

Operating Account

	Date	Category	
Beginning Balance	11/30/24		11,546.75
EFT Membership Dues (Stripe Transfer)	12/05/24	01A	60.00
		23	-2.34
9550 Your Friends & Neighbors	12/06/24	11	-650.00
1963 Cincinnati Police Department (2024 Xmas Dona.)	12/11/24	19	-200.00
1964 Queen City Stunt Circus	12/11/24	32	-2,658.00
EFT Membership Dues (Stripe Transfer)	12/19/24	01A	40.00
		23	-1.46
EFT Membership Dues (Stripe Transfer)	12/20/24	01A	40.00
		23	-1.76
9554 M. Richey (Beautification Reimbursement)	12/27/24	49	-1,248.57
1966 21st Century Printers	12/31/24	13	-1,436.25
Ending Balance	12/31/24		<u>5,488.37</u>

Operating Account Reconciliation	
Ending Balance per Bank	8,197.51
Plus deposit in transit	
Less o/s cks	9516 -24.32
	9554 -1,248.57
	1966 -1,436.25
Reconciled Balance	<u>5,488.37</u>

Madison Parking Lot Account

	Date	Category	
Beginning Balance	11/30/24		33,750.25
DEP Madison Parking Lot receipts	12/02/24	04B	1,873.88
EFT GCWW	12/03/24	71	-126.45
EFT Duke Energy	12/16/24	71	-96.11

Madison Account Reconciliation	
Ending Balance per Bank	35,401.57
Plus deposit in transit	
Less o/s cks	
Reconciled Balance	<u>35,401.57</u>

Ending Balance	12/31/24		<u>35,401.57</u>
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Woodburn Parking Lot Account

	Date	Category	
Beginning Balance	11/30/24		96,081.02
DEP Woodburn Parking Lot receipts	12/02/24	04A	3,669.89
EFT Duke Energy	12/09/24	61	-73.25
EFT GCWW	12/11/24	61	-8.08
EFT EWHA Credit Card Payment	12/27/24		
The Event Helper (WinterFest Insurance)		32	-923.00
Cincinnati City Beat		31	-612.85
Zoom (December, 2024)		14	-15.99

Woodburn Account Reconciliation	
Ending Balance per Bank	98,117.74
Plus deposit in transit	
Reconciled Balance	<u>98,117.74</u>

Ending Balance	12/31/24		<u>98,117.74</u>
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Business Association Account

	Date	Category	
Beginning Balance	11/30/24		11,494.04
9012 Far-I-Rome Productions	12/09/24	31	-800.00
9013 EWH Farmers Market (Expense Reimburs.)	12/13/24	39A	-502.50
9014 Deb Dereskevich (Expense Reimburs.)	12/13/24	39A	-124.98

BA Account Reconciliation	
Ending Balance per Bank	10,066.56
Plus deposit in transit	
Less o/s cks	
Reconciled Balance	<u>10,066.56</u>

Ending Balance	12/31/24		<u>10,066.56</u>
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Business Association PayPal

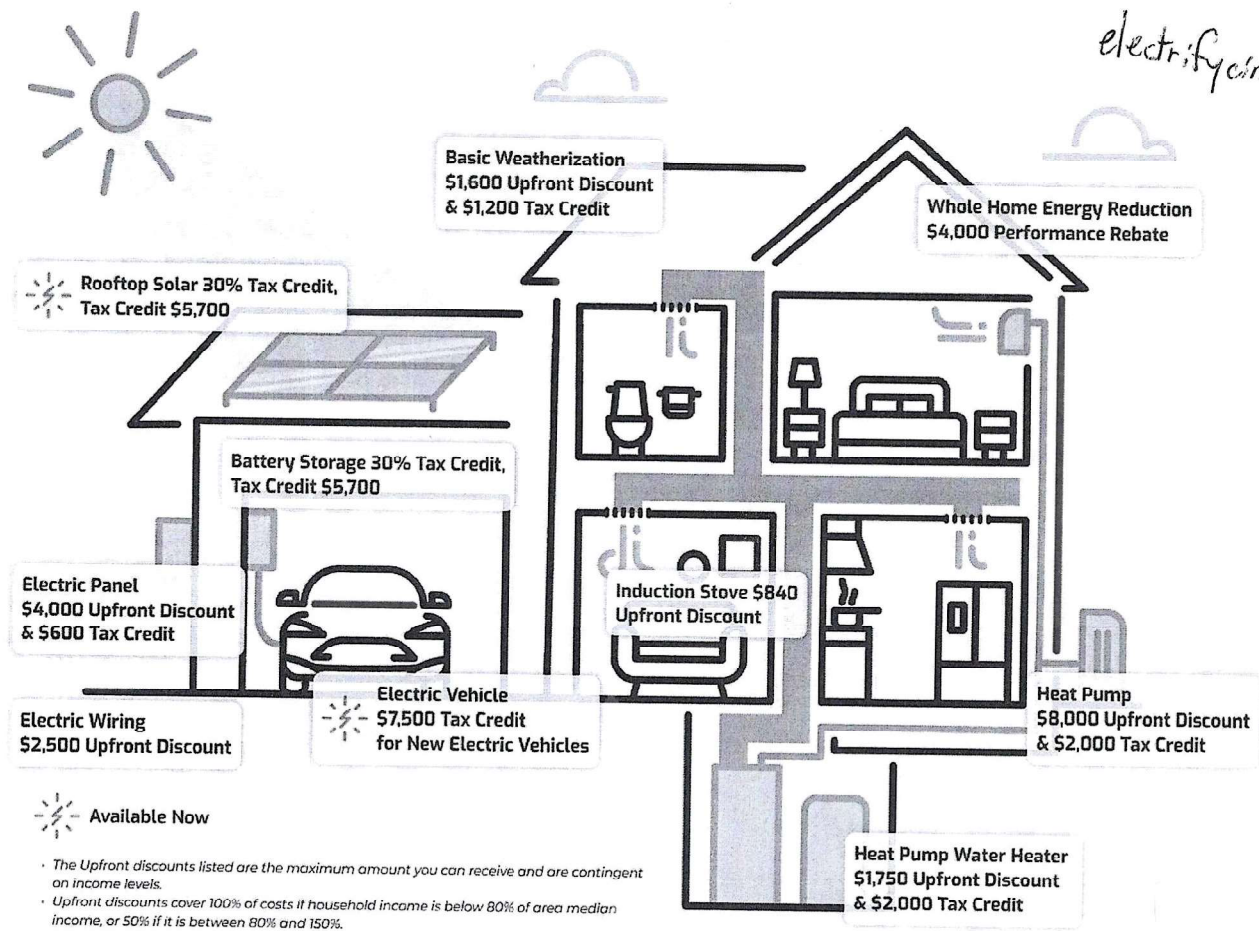
	Date	Category	
Beginning Balance	11/30/24		0.00

Ending Balance	12/31/24		<u>0.00</u>
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Energy Upgrades for More Comfortable, Healthy, Affordable Homes

Starting in 2023, the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) started offering tax credits that can help you weatherize your home, transition to cleaner energy use (which in turn reduces indoor air pollution), and save money on energy expenses. **Energy-efficient appliance tax rebates (upfront discounts) are also on the horizon, though they are not expected until late 2024/early 2025 in Ohio.** Finally, you may also qualify for tax credits for new or used electric vehicles and charging equipment.

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electrifyohio.org



Available Now

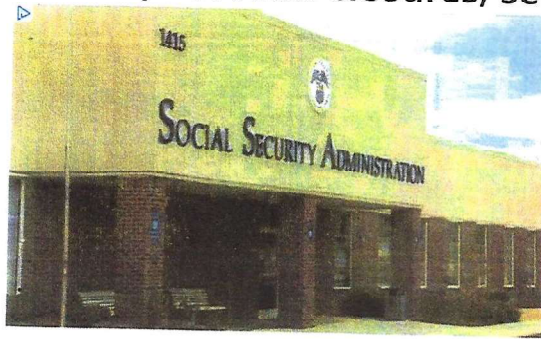
- The Upfront discounts listed are the maximum amount you can receive and are contingent on income levels.
- Upfront discounts cover 100% of costs if household income is below 80% of area median income, or 50% if it is between 80% and 150%.
- Tax credits are dependent on your tax appetite. Tax credits earned in 2023 will be applied to your 2023 tax return you submit in 2024. Please consult a tax professional if you have the tax appetite to qualify.

Turnover for details about each credit!

Federal Incentives Available Now

Credit Name	Eligibility	Value
Energy Efficient Home Improvement Tax Credit ("25C")	<p>Owner/Renter on your own home (not landlord or used exclusively for business). Resets each through 2032 and has no lifetime limit. Energy efficiency requirements apply.</p> <p><i>Go to Rewiring America's Personal Electrification Planner website to set a plan to do the work over the course of years.</i></p>	<p>Heating: 30% (up to \$2,000) for heat pumps, heat pump water heaters, and biomass stoves & boilers</p> <p>Weatherization: 30% (up to \$1,200 for all weatherization combined) for DOE-certified home energy audits (\$150), Energy Star exterior doors (\$250 each, max of 2), windows and skylights (\$600), insulation and air-sealing (\$1,200), high-efficiency central AC (\$600), electrical panel that facilitates the use of above energy property (\$600)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Combined Annual Credit Maximum: \$3,200</i></p>
Residential Clean Energy Credit ("25D")		<p>30% of the costs of new, qualified clean energy property, including solar panels & tiles, geothermal heat pumps, and battery storage. Qualified expenses may include some labor costs.</p>
New EV Credit ("30D")	<p>Adjusted Gross Income Thresholds:</p> <p>Married/Jointly: less than \$300k</p> <p>Head of House: less than \$225k</p> <p>All others: less than \$150k</p>	<p>30% up to \$7,500 for qualifying vehicles meeting domestic content and MSRP thresholds (check FuelEconomy.gov). Starting in 2024, these are upfront discounts at the dealership; in 2023 they were tax credits.</p>
Used EV Credit ("25E")	<p>Adjusted Gross Income Thresholds:</p> <p>Married/Jointly: less than \$150k</p> <p>Head of House: less than \$112.5k</p> <p>All others: less than \$75k</p>	<p>30% up to \$4,000 for qualifying vehicles from a dealer. Sales price must be less than \$25,000. Model year must be at least 2 years old or older. Must be under 14,000 pounds. See FuelEconomy.gov for more info.</p>
EV Charger Credit ("30C")	<p>Location within an eligible low-income or rural census tract</p>	<p>30% up to \$1,000 in your primary residence. Look up the U.S. Dept. of Energy's 30C Tax Credit Eligibility Locator map online.</p>

Expect road closures, security



Seniors Born 1941-1979 Receive Benefits This Month if They Ask

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From 9 a.m. Friday through 8 p.m. Sunday, the following road closures will be in place:

- William Howard Taft Road between Torrence Parkway and East McMillan Street.
- Collins Avenue at Riverside Drive.

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Drivers are encouraged to use Torrence Parkway, Madison Road and Woodburn Avenue as a detour while the closures are in place.





Road closures will occur this weekend in East Walnut Hills
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Residents who live within the area where roads are closed will be able to access their neighborhood through one of three marked security checkpoints.

Checkpoints will be located at:

- William Howard Taft Road and Torrence Parkway.
- William Howard Taft Road and East McMillan Street.
- Riverside Drive and Collins Avenue.

City officials said residents should expect to encounter law enforcement at these checkpoints. Drivers are encouraged to factor in extra time when traveling as a result of these security measures. Officials said delivery trucks and other commercial services delivering to addresses in those neighborhoods may use those checkpoints.



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It is unclear if the closures are related to Vice President JD Vance, who has a home in East Walnut Hills. City officials did not immediately respond to The Enquirer's request for comment.

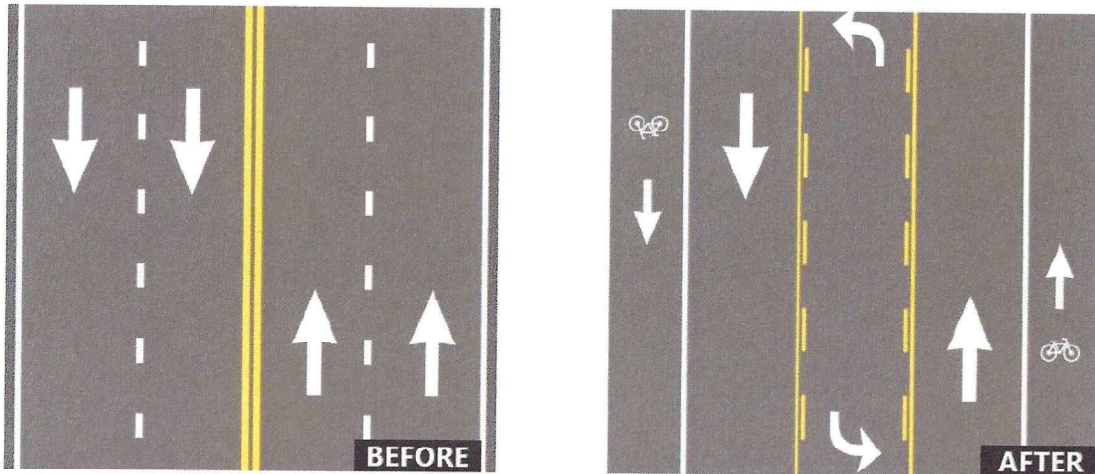
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East Walnut Hills Assembly Meeting – February 2025
Infrastructure Committee Proposal

What is a Road Diet?

A “road diet” is a type of roadway reconfiguration typically involving a conversion of a four lane roadway to a road with one travel lane in each direction with a two-way center turn lane (TWTL).



According the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), benefits of road diets may include:

- Reduction of rear-end and left-turn crashes due to the dedicated left-turn lane.
- Reduced right-angle crashes as side street motorists cross three versus four travel lanes.
- Fewer lanes for pedestrians to cross.
- Opportunity to install pedestrian refuge islands, bicycle lanes, on-street parking, or transit stops.
- Traffic calming and more consistent speeds.
- A more community-focused, Complete Streets environment that better accommodates the needs of all road users.

The FHWA estimates that these redesigns can result in a 20-45% reduction in total crashes. A road diet is appropriate on roadways carrying up to 25,000 vehicles per day (vpd).

Madison Road in East Walnut Hills seems to be an ideal candidate for this sort of reconfiguration. The most recent OKI traffic counts on Madison Road (2024) show volumes around 12,000-13,500 – well within the recommended volumes for a 4-to-3 conversion.

Madison Road 4-to-3 Conversion Opportunity

In response to years of comments and concerns from EWH residents about speeding and safety issues on Madison Road, the Infrastructure Committee of the EWHA Board has had preliminary conversations with Cincinnati DOTE regarding implementation of such a conversion. The DOTE has agreed in principle to formally study this project and move towards implementation. In order to move the project forward, the EWHA would need to approve the use of TIF Funds, first for conceptual design and preliminary engineering, then for a second funding phase for actual construction.



Image: Crash on Madison Road, December 2024

The first step is for the EWHA to hold a vote on the use of up to \$150,000 in TIF for preliminary engineering work.

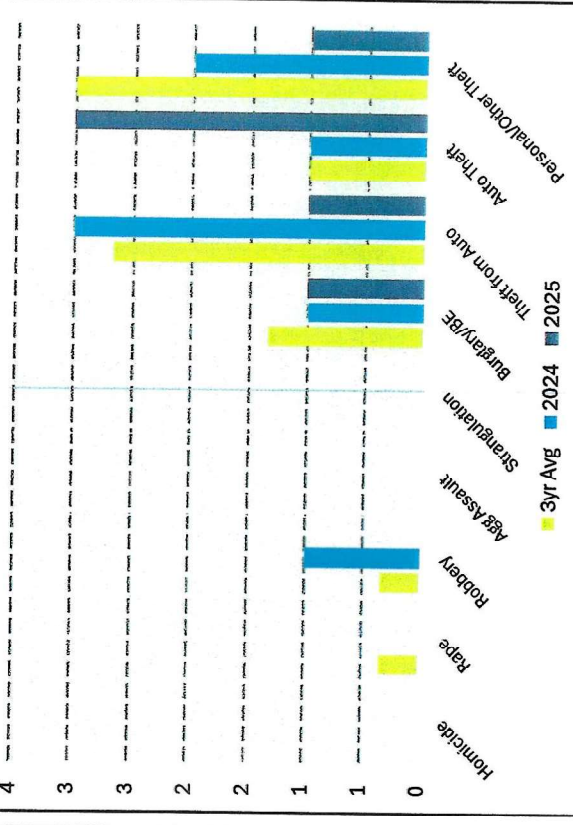
If this vote is in favor of the study, then we will contact the Planning Department, which will then hold a more formal community meeting on the use of the funds for this project. So, the effect of any initial vote would be to request that the Planning Department hold a formal community engagement meeting before any funds are spent.

In the absence of objections, we would like to hold that initial vote at the March Assembly meeting.

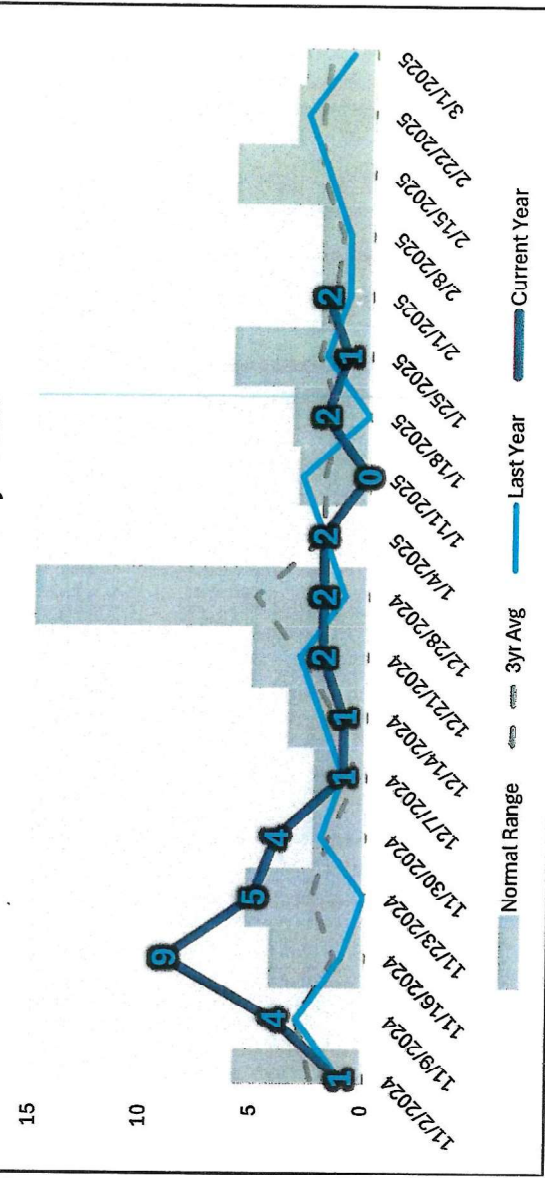
East Walnut Hills Neighborhood Report

Part 1 Crime YTD	3yr Avg	2024	2025	% Change: Avg / 25	% Change: 2024/ 2025
Homicide	0.00	0	0	N/C	N/C
Rape	0.33	0	0	-0.33	N/C
Robbery	0.33	1	0	-0.33	-1
Agg Assault	0.00	0	0	N/C	N/C
Strangulation	--	0	0	--	N/C
Part 1 Violent	0.67	1	0	-0.67	-1
Burglary/BE	1.33	1	1	-25.00%	N/C
Theft from Auto	2.67	3	1	-62.50%	-66.67%
Auto Theft	1.00	1	3	200.00%	200.00%
Personal/Other Theft	3.00	2	1	-66.67%	-50.00%
Part 1 Property	8.00	7	6	-25.00%	-14.29%
Part 1 Total	8.67	8	6	-30.77%	-25.00%

Part 1 Crime YTD



Total Part 1 Crime by Week

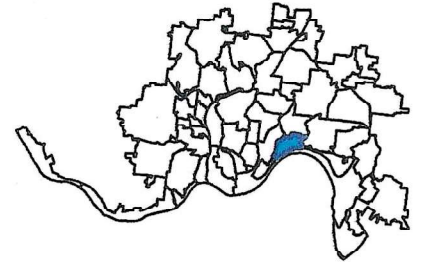


*Statistics are preliminary and subject to further analysis and revision



NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME REPORT: EAST WALNUT HILLS

28 Day Reporting Period



**All information shown here is preliminary and subject to change*

- ▲ Auto Theft
- ★ Burglary/BE
- Personal/Other Theft
- ◆ Theft from Auto
- Agg Assault
- ◆ Rape
- ▲ Robbery
- Strangulation
- ★ Homicide



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Neighborhood Block Report

2/3/2025

10:08



EAST WALNUT HILLS

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Part 1 Property - Auto Theft

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
2025-INC-000891	Auto Theft	1/17/2025 5:30:00 AM	27XX WOODBURN AVE

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
2025-INC-001749	Auto Theft	1/30/2025 2:00:00 PM	13XX FLEMING ST

Part 1 Property - Burglary/BE

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
2025-INC-001021	Burglary/BE	1/19/2025 9:15:00 AM	13XX E MCMILLAN ST

Part 1 Property - Personal/Other Theft

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
2025-INC-001909	Personal/Other Theft	2/1/2025 5:28:00 PM	27XX WOODBURN AVE

Part 1 Property - Theft from Auto

Incident No
2025-INC-000778

Offense
Theft from Auto

Date of Offense
1/15/2025 7:07:00 AM

Street Block
27XX BAKER PL

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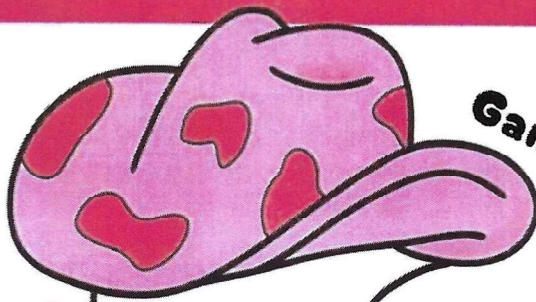
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Friday, February 14th
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**Senior Valentine's Day
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\$20.00 per person

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Cincinnati Recreation Commission

Cincinnati Recreation Commission

MACA, EWAC, and WHAC Month – February 2025
Bush Recreation Center 2640 Kemper Lane – 281-1286

Report Topics –

19th Annual Mayor's Career Expo will be held on Saturday, February 15th at FC Cincinnati Stadium First Financial Club 1501 Central Parkway. 9am – 1pm City Departments have part time, seasonal, Y2K, and full-time positions available.

Aquatics offers lifeguard classes and training. Last summer all pools opened due to the number of lifeguards. Please contact Aquatics for more information 513-357-7665.

Bush hours 11:00 am - 8:00 pm. Monday – Friday.

Spring programs began March 3, 2025.

Upcoming events:

- February 14th Valentine's Day Luncheon & Line Dancing at Madisonville Recreation Center 5320 Stewart Rd 11am – 2pm – doors open at 10:45am register at www.cincyrec.org
For more information, please call Karen Smith at Bush 513-281-1286.
Fee is \$20.00 per person.
- February 18th Motown Paint Party at Bond Hill Recreation Center 1pm – 3pm. Music, food, paint and fun \$30.00 per person, space is limited. Contact Darrell 513-242-9565 or register at www.cincyrec.org.
- February 21st Adult Co-Ed Dodgeball at Corryville Recreation Center 6pm – 9:30pm
\$75.00 per team. Food and soft drinks are included. For more information, call 513-221-0888
- Summer Day Camp registration continues until all camps are filled. Participants must be between the ages of 5 -12 years (5 years old must have completed all-day kindergarten are eligible). SDC will run for 10 weeks 6/2 – 8/8/25. The hours are 7:00am – 6:00pm. Application fees are not included. Please complete online registration <https://web1.vermontsystems.com/cincinnati.html>
- Pickleball Monday – Friday 11:00am – 1:30pm and Thursday and Friday nights from 6pm to 8pm. All levels of play. Must have a valid membership.

CRC Center Membership Information – cards are valid at all CRC centers (additional fees for fitness rooms).

Seniors \$10.00 (50 plus)
Adults \$25.00 (25 – 49 yr)
Young Adults \$10.00 (18 – 24 yr)
Junior \$2.00 (5 – 17 yr)

**THE EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at 7:00 PM
St. Francis de Sales School Cafeteria**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Vote
Welcome	Kimberly Jacobs, Vice President of the EWHA Board, called the monthly meeting to order in Jeff Butterbaugh's absence at approximately 7:05 p.m. Approximately 25 people attended the meeting in person. No Zoom option was provided.	None
1. Cincinnati Police Report	<p>Officer Perry Locke presented the crime statistics for November.</p> <p><u>Crime Noted:</u> 0 Burglary/Breaking & Entering. 5 Theft from Auto, 10 Auto Theft, and 4 Personal Thefts</p> <p>Officer Locke noted that Walnut Hills is experiencing an increase in auto thefts. Therefore, he reminded everyone to take key fobs in and hide items in the car.</p> <p>Given that it is getting darker earlier, watch for kids walking home from school or joggers as you are driving home.</p> <p>District 2 is hosting the annual Coffee with the Chief. This year it will take place on Tuesday, December 10 at 9AM at Cafe Alma. All are welcome and each neighborhood is encouraged to send at least 1-2 individuals to represent the neighborhood. The flyer is attached.</p> <p>Don't leave packages in your car and if you are out of town, have a neighbor grab it for you. If that is not an alternative, packages can also always be delivered to the police district building for pickup.</p> <p>Officer Perry Locke: 513-979-4433; Email: perry.locke@cincinnati-oh.gov; Supervisor, Sergeant Sellers: 513-979-4470</p>	None
2. Bush Recreation Center Report	<p>Vanessa Henderson provided an update on the Bush Recreation Center activities and thanked the neighborhood for their continued support this year.</p> <p>The Bush Recreation Center will have adjusted holiday hours, open 7AM-6PM during the weeks of Christmas and New Years.</p> <p>The Center is continuing to collect coats, hats, and socks donations. Socks and larger items are particularly helpful to allow individuals to layer for warmth. Additionally, the Center is always open for people to come in and get warm.</p> <p>The Center is hosting a coat drive Saturday, December 8. Any items that are not picked up will be donated to the CRCs.</p> <p>There are several programming options, including a wreath workshop and pickleball that will be held in the month of December. Check the Bush Recreation website for more details.</p> <p>Feel free to contact Ms Henderson with questions or suggestions at 513-281-1286.</p>	None
3. Assembly Minutes	<p>A quorum of Assembly Board members was present for the meeting.</p> <p>The November 6 Special Meeting minutes were approved, as submitted. The general Assembly Meeting minutes from November 6 were also approved, as submitted.</p>	Nov 6 Special Meeting and General meeting minutes approved

4. Treasurer's Report	Vince Accorinti presented the October 2024 Treasurer's Report, which was posted to the website prior to the meeting. Parking lot income continues a strong trend. A number of expenses came through for Jamfest, as expected and budgeted. There were no other items out of the ordinary.	None
5. Freebank	<p>Kimberly Dutley informed the Assembly that the Freestore Foodbank can be a free resource when navigating Medicare or Medicaid Insurance registration. The flyer is attached below. Additionally, visit www.healthcare.gov to ensure you get the right coverage. Kimberly and her team can navigate that process with you.</p> <p>Kimberly Dudley Freestore Foodbank Navigator kdudley@freestorefoodbank.org 513-357-4625 freestorefoodbank.org</p>	None
6. Business Association (BA)	Sara Siefing reported. Winterfest will be held December 13-14 in the Business District. Festivities will be held from 6-10PM on December 13 with a holiday Walk on Woodburn. Then, in partnership with the Farmer's Market, December 14 from 12-7PM Woodburn Ave will be shutdown for Winterfest activities such as a winter market, business specials, and family friendly entertainment. The BA also had signs available to advertise the event on the back table.	None
7. Development Committee	<p>Stephen Ramos reported on several projects in the neighborhood.</p> <p>The William Howard Taft Properties at Taft and Ashland Ave is being developed by Brad Lauck. Committee is continuing to work with Woodburn and Dexter historic development opens early, 2025</p> <p>The former UC Health Physicians property is still for sale, and the county appears ready to leave the MRDD building as well. DCDC members are in conversation with Holly Christmann, assistant county administrator, about the County's plans to vacate the 1520 Madison Road property. We invite EWH assembly members to share thoughts regarding the future use of the MDD building and property.</p> <p>DCDC continues to investigate historic designations for properties in the neighborhood.</p> <p>Hoffman School Drew Gores presented.</p> <p>The developer of the Hoffman School site is now seeking final approval for Phase I of his development, which is a 134-unit apartment building to sit on the Woodburn Avenue side of the site (the playing fields). Earlier this year, the property was rezoned from RMX to Planned Development, which permits this use. Now the developer has submitted his final plans for approval by the Planning Commission.</p> <p>On December 2, the Planning Department held a staff conference to review the proposed final plans. Drew Gores, Frecman Durham, and Steve Ramos attended and voiced their concerns, along with others in the East Walnut Hill and Evanston neighborhoods. Some of the major points of concern include (1) the external aesthetic, which is largely fiberboard and little brick, (2) traffic patterns given there is a single entrance at the southeast corner of the property, and (3) insufficient parking. The final plans for Phase I propose only 96 parking places for the 134 units, which is only 0.7 parking spots per unit. Many of the units may have more than one driver. The developer has argued that many residents will not have a car, but the recent census data showed 90% of residents around the Hoffman School had a car.</p>	None

	<p>The Planning Commission will meet on December 20 at 9AM for a final decision. Check the website for more information on how to attend in person or virtually.</p> <p>Columbia Parkway & Kemper Development A representative from the Edgecliff and Calvin Cliff Condos spoke up to inform the Assembly about the development at Columbia Parkway and Kemper. These properties hired a lawyer to appeal the Planning Commission's prior development approval on the grounds that the developer's application was incomplete and all protocols were not followed. The Planning Commission approved the Edgecliff and Calvin Cliff Condos appeal, requiring the developer to update and resubmit the complete application. There is a public hearing for the project on December 19 at 9AM at the Central Ave building on the fifth floor. The Edgecliff and Calvin Cliff Condo representative's goal is to make the new development smaller.</p>	
8. Farmers's Market	<p>Deb Dereshkevich reported.</p> <p>The Farmer's Market team is working to enable online meat ordering over the winter from Brookside Farms, a local provider. Find ordering information on the website, ewhfarmersmarket.com. Orders should be submitted by this Friday, December 6.</p> <p>Deb noted that there are challenges in the startup phase of a farmer's market since volumes can be too low to attract many of the bigger vendors. The Farmer's Market is therefore looking for sponsors, which will guarantee vendors a minimum revenue during this early stage. Be on the lookout for information on the website and email if you are interested in becoming a sponsor.</p>	None
9. Membership	Chris David reported. Communications for the membership drive will be sent out in the next 3-4 weeks. However, anyone can renew online at any time.	
10. Open Forum	No additional topics were raised.	None
Adjournment	There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.	None

Assembly meeting pre-reading: Agenda, Police EWH Crime Statistics, October 2024 Treasurer's Report, District 2 Coffee with the Chief flyer, and Freestore Foodbank flyer.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ASSEMBLY WILL TAKE PLACE ON JANUARY 8th AT 7:00 P.M.
Meetings will take place at the St. Francis de Sales School cafeteria.

Submitted by Brandi Yoder, Secretary
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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 7:00 PM
St. Francis de Sales School Cafeteria**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Vote
Welcome	Jeff Butterbaugh, President of the EWHA Board, called the monthly meeting to order at approximately 7:05 p.m. Approximately 12 people attended the meeting in person. No Zoom option was provided.	None
1. Updates from Public Officials	No representatives from the Cincinnati Police Department, Cincinnati Fire Department, or the Bush Recreation Center were present to provide an update.	None
2. Assembly Minutes	The December 4 Assembly Meeting minutes have been posted on the website. There was not a quorum of Assembly Board members present for the meeting, so meeting minutes could not be approved at this time. Voting will be postponed until the February meeting.	Vote postponed until February meeting
3. Treasurer's Report	Vince Accorinti presented the November 2024 Treasurer's Report. The report was available at the meeting and will be posted on the website following the meeting. The only expense of note was the second installment of the flower pot program. This came through the Beautification Committee, as expected and budgeted. There were no other items out of the ordinary.	None
4. Electrification Education	Nolan Brown from the City of Cincinnati, Office of Environmental & Sustainability was expected to speak on Electrification Education. However, due to the snow he was unable to attend. He will attend the February meeting instead.	None
5. Beautification	<p>Marilyn Richey reported.</p> <p>The Beautification Committee will be taking down the wreaths in the Business District as soon as weather permits. Additionally, the committee bought 27 new wreaths for next year, which Marilyn displayed. These are to replace all the wreaths on Woodburn Ave, as needed. The ones displayed on Madison were replaced last year.</p>	
6. Development Committee	<p>Stephen Ramos reported on several projects in the neighborhood.</p> <p>Steve thanked those that have attended various city meetings to support the EWH neighborhood over the past several months.</p> <p>The development at 1900-1902 Kemper Lane has been paused. The zoning decision from August was reversed at the December meeting by a three to one vote. Once the zoning report is available, the developer plans to appeal the decision.</p> <p>Hamilton County officials may vacate and sell the Developmental and Disabilities Services building on Madison Road. The Development Committee continues communicating with county administrators regarding the future use of 1520 Madison Road and its impact on the Woodburn Avenue business district. The committee is looking for feedback regarding the future use of the space. Email the EWH website or respond via social media platforms with feedback.</p> <p>Butternut Skin Spa is moving into the Rainbow Building and will bring the building to full occupancy.</p>	None

	<p>Hoffman School Drew Gores presented.</p> <p>The Planning Commission met on December 20 at 9AM for a final approval of Phase 1 of the Planned Development at the Hoffman School site. Several people from East Walnut Hills (EWH) attended and Freeman Durham spoke, voicing concerns regarding the development. Additionally, two members of the Evanston Executive Community Council attended, voicing concerns that the developer has not yet presented plans to the community council or attended community meetings. Based on these concerns, the Planning Commission delayed any decision until the developer talked with the Evanston Community Council.</p> <p>The developer, Kingsley, will be attending the Evanston Community Council meeting on January 16 at 6:30PM at the Evanston Recreation Center. East Walnut Hills Assembly members are encouraged to attend as well.</p> <p>The Planning Commission has scheduled the followup meeting to review the final Phase 1 plans on January 17. The public is also welcome and encouraged to attend.</p> <p>Steve Ramos will ensure key dates and locations are posted to social media for members' information, should they choose to attend.</p>	
7. Business Association (BA)	Deb Dereshkevich reported that the \$3,600 Cincinnati Neighborhood Business District United (CNBDU) grant was approved and thanked the Assembly for their support.	None
8. Open Forum	<p>Drew strongly encouraged sending out the written solicitation for EWH Assembly membership dues as soon as possible to ensure funding availability. They have been printed and are expected to go out in the next couple weeks.</p> <p>It was recommended to send an email to all members, reminding them of upcoming General Assembly meetings in the future. Given not everyone is on social media, that may help with higher awareness and turnout.</p> <p>No additional topics were raised.</p>	None
Adjournment	There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:25 p.m.	None

Assembly meeting pre-reading: Agenda, November 2024 Treasurer's Report (physical copies)

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ASSEMBLY WILL TAKE PLACE ON FEBRUARY 5th AT 7:00 P.M.
Meetings will take place at the St. Francis de Sales School cafeteria.

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