

**THE EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 7:00 PM via Zoom**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Vote
Welcome	President Freeman Durham called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Thirty-six people attended the meeting online and via telephone.	None
1. Cincinnati Police Report	Officer Perry Locke discussed the crime statistics for December (posted on the website prior to the meeting and attached). He then reported on the break-in at Argos that took place on Christmas Eve. A window was broken and the cash register was stolen with \$3000 in the register. 7-10 cars in the business district were broken into at the same time. Electronics were left in some of the cars; Officer Locke reminded attendees to store those items in the trunk of your car. Don't give thieves a reason to break-in to your car. There are no suspects, though fingerprints have been taken. In response to a question about repeated trash issues at a property, Officer Locke gave out his phone number for people to call him: 513-979-4430.	None
2. Bush Recreation Center Report	There was no report from Ms. Henderson. Contact Ms. Henderson for further information (vanessa.henderson@cincinnati-oh.gov).	None
3. Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes	There being no revisions to the December 1, 2021 monthly Assembly Minutes (posted on the website prior to the meeting), the December Minutes were deemed approved as posted.	None
4. Treasurer's Report	Vince Accorinti reported on the November 2021 Treasurer's Report that had been posted online prior to the meeting (see attached Report). Membership dues started to come in during November and more came in during December and January. The listed \$10,000 "Grant" is a grant received by the Business Association from the City's Neighborhood Activation Fund. The grant funds come from the federal government and are being used to help businesses come back from the impact of the pandemic.	None
5. Membership Committee Report	Valerie Daley reported that anyone who wants to become a dues paying member of the Assembly for the 2022 year may do by using the link of the Assembly website: https://eastwalnuthills.org/join-now/ . It's easy to do.	None
6. Events Committee Report.	Christine Johnson reported. (1) The delayed Monthly Trash Walk has been rescheduled for Saturday, January 8 at 9:00 a.m. in front of the former Suzie Wong's location. (2) EWHA will co-host with the Evanston Community Council the following events in 2022: Gospel Fest at Hoffman Field on Sunday June 26; Owls Nest Community Party on July 16 (Rhythm, Blues and Funk music); a CSO concert in Owls Nest Park on Saturday August 6; EvanstonFest on Saturday September 3 (Urban Contemporary Music), and Jazzfest in Owls Nest Park on September 8.	None
7. Infrastructure Committee Report	Deb Dereshkevich reported. (1) The Department of Transportation has asked each community to submit two locations for traffic calming under the Pedestrian Safety Program. She reported that the following will be submitted based on community input: (1) McMillan from Woodburn down to Taft and (2) Woodburn in the business district at Myrtle: build up the crosswalk to slow speeding. She said that a number of intersections had been flagged as dangerous intersections. She will see if there are other possibilities to address these. A number of attendees expressed concern about the intersection of Moorman and Taft. Deb recommended that people use the contact link on the EWHA website to report areas that need traffic calming. (2) Deb also reported that the EWHA Board has approved the formation of a limited liability company (LLC) to form the East Walnut Hills Farmers Market. The Managers for the LLC and market are being	None

	identified. She asked anyone interesting in volunteering to reach out to her via the contact link on the EWHA website.	
8. Parking Committee Report	Rick Boydston reported. There are two lots owned or managed by the EWHA: the Woodburn lot with approximately 40 spaces and the Madison lot with approximately 80 spaces. The Madison lot lease with the City is up for renewal Rick and the Parking Committee are working on terms for the renewal. There are currently approximately 45 24/7 monthly permit holders who may park in either lot. Revenues in both lots are up from the low that occurred during the worst of the pandemic.	None
9. Owls Nest Pavilion Update	Ben Strohm, a members of the Owls Nest Advisory Committee, reported that the Park Board has agreed that it will not demolish the pavilion in Owls Nest Park. At a recent Park Board meeting, the Park Board voted to allocate the \$300,000 originally allocated for demolition towards stabilizing the building (which has been found to be structurally sound, but in need of repair). The Park Board is looking to hire a consultant who will lead the outreach to community members in EWH, Evanston and O'Bryonville to engage those members in discussion about use of and renovations to the pavilion.	None
10. CMHA Committee	Jinny Berten reported that Committee members will be meeting next Monday to discuss next steps in engaging CMHA, which owns the San Marco building on the corner of Madison and Woodburn and the "pocket park" next to it on Woodburn. The committee is working with CMHA to ensure that the fountain in the pocket park is working this spring and the grounds in the pocket park are cared for.	None
11. Development Committee Report.	Drew Gores reported. (1) Hello Honey, the ice cream shop, opened in the Rainbow Building in early December. (2) The work on the former Cafe de Sales space is continuing. Symposium, a cafe by day and wine bar by night will be opening in 2022 in that space. (3) The former Suzie Wong's space has been leased. Three investors, all involved with Anjou, will be opening Solstice, a taco-centric restaurant with equatorial influences (like Filipino and Ethiopian cuisine) and signature cocktails with the same theme will be served. (3) There is a "for sale" on properties on the northeast side of Woodburn. The realtor reported that the properties are for sale for \$2 million. Later in the meeting after the committee reports had been completed, Kate Burroughs, an EWH resident and a city solicitor working in the Quality of Life Division of the solicitor's office, reported that the City has filed a complaint against the owners of the properties requesting a nuisance abatement on five of the neglected properties and a further request for placing those properties into receivership if the nuisance is not abated. Discussion ensued. Ms. Burroughs agreed to have further discussion with Drew offline about the filing of the complaint and next steps. Ms Burroughs also reported that her office is working on a property at Bell and Ashland that is also in receivership.	None
12. Neighborhood Support Program Grant Presentation and Vote	Freeman reported that the City has an annual grant program, the Neighborhood Support Program, to assist with community expenses. The budget/allocation of the EWHA grant funds needs to be voted on by EWH residents (you don't need to a EWHA dues paying member), Freeman reported that the grant total of \$7638 is proposed to be allocated as follows: (1) \$1500 for Insurance and Taxes for the Woodburn parking lot and (2) \$6138 for Communication – newsletter, social media and kiosk posters expenses (see attached proposed budget posted on the website prior to the meeting). There being no questions or discussion about the proposed allocation, and upon motion and second to approve the budget/allocation of the NSP grant funds as discussed, the motion was approved with no objections or abstentions among the 35 attendees of the Zoom meeting.	Vote to Approve

13. Other Business	(1) Dani Issacsohn introduced himself. He is running for state representative in District 27 that includes the northern part of EWH (Evanston and other areas as well). The election will take place in November 2022. http://www.Votedani.com/ (2) A question was asked about whether Drew had followed up with the Cincinnati Preservation Association about the Taft house (home at one point to William Howard Taft) on McMillan. Drew reported that she had not had the opportunity to discuss this with CPA, due to the holidays, but will be reaching out. (3) The owner of the recently renovated 'sideways house' (1961 Madison Rd) on the border of EWH and O'Bryonville by the pedestrian bridge over Torrence, introduced himself and reported how pleased he was to be in EWH.	None
Adjournment	There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.	

Submitted by Drew Gores, Secretary

Attachments: Agenda, Police EWH Crime Statistics, Treasurers Report, Neighborhood Support Program Budget

The next EWHA Board meeting will take place on January 26 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

The next Assembly meeting will take place February 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

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EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY AGENDA
January 5, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
Via Zoom Call

1. Welcome *Freeman Durham*

2. City Department Presentations
 - a. Cincinnati Fire Department
 - b. Cincinnati Police Department *Officer Perry Locke*
 - c. Bush Recreation Center, CRC *Director Vanessa Henderson*

3. Approval of Minutes from the Assembly Meeting on November 3, 2021

4. Treasurer's Report *Vince Accorinti*

5. Committee Reports *Various Committee Chairs*

6. Other Business

NSP budget proposal

(any resident of East Walnut Hills may vote on this proposal, even if not an Assembly member)

Adjournment

The next Assembly will be held on
February 2, 2022 at 7:00 pm

Reach out to the EWHA Board at: info@eastwalnuthills.org

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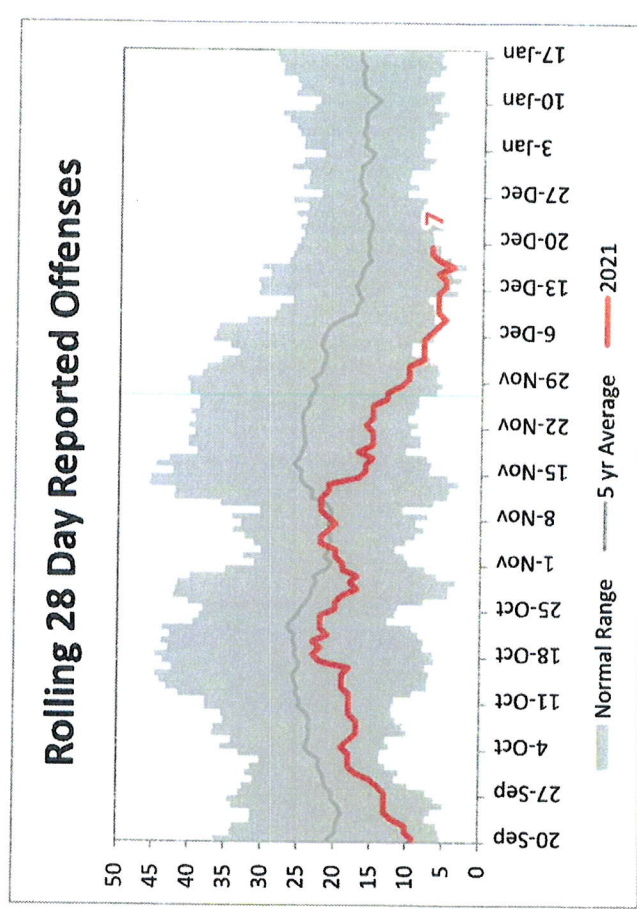
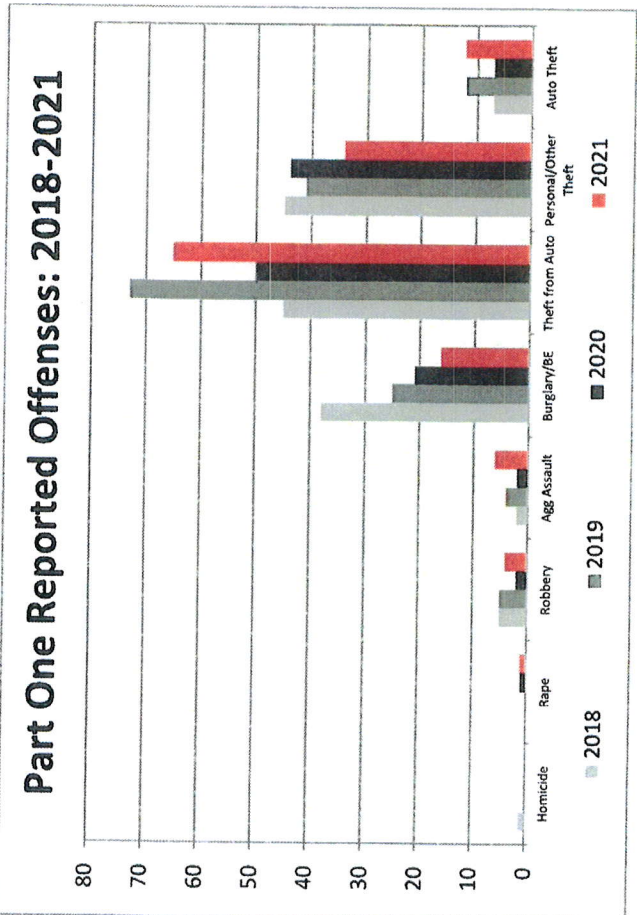
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East Walnut Hills Neighborhood Report

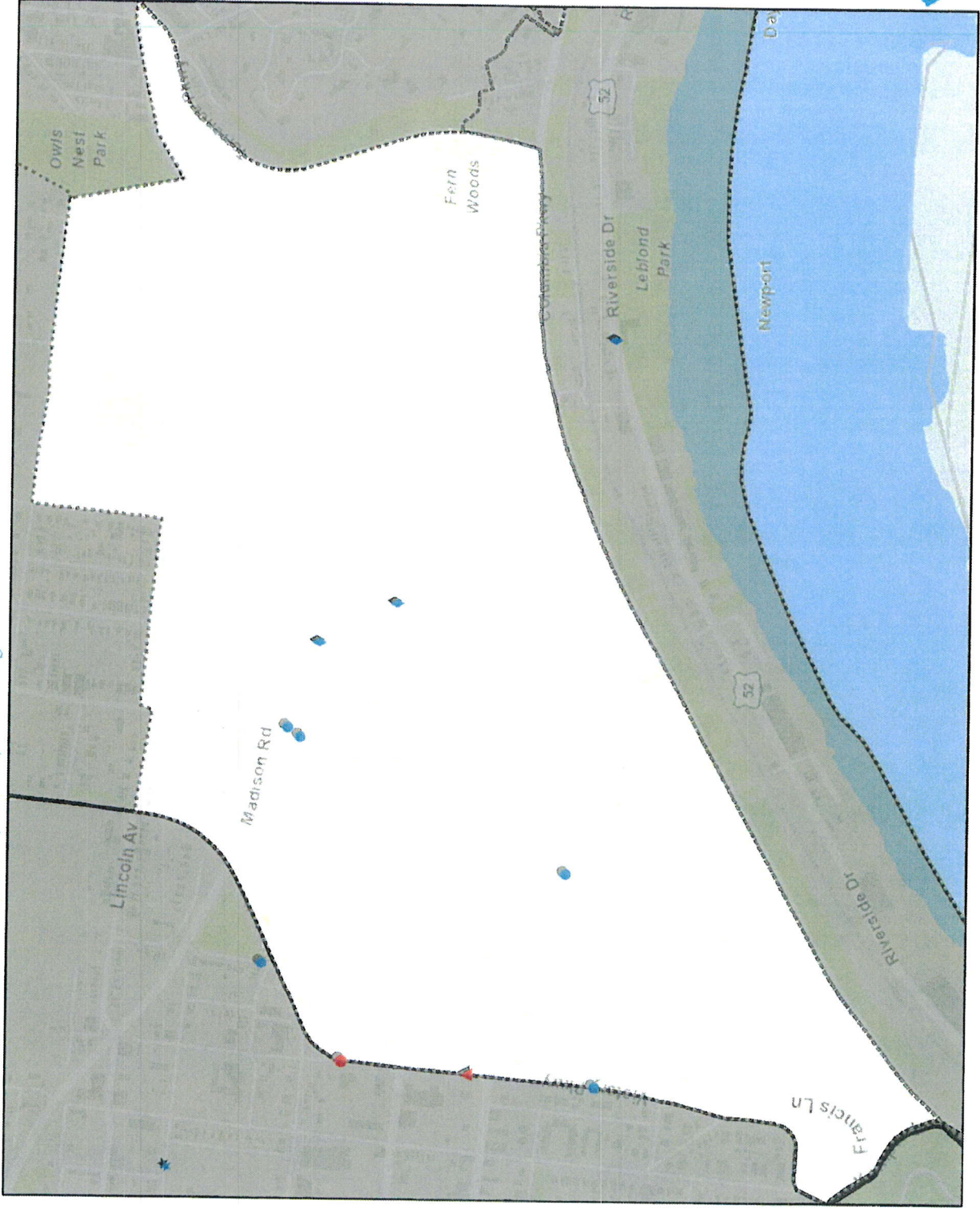
East Walnut Hills	Year-to-Date: 20-Dec			
	2018	2019	2020	2021
Part 1 Crime			Avg: 2018-20	% Change: 2020 / 2021
Homicide	1	0	0.3	↓ 0.3
Rape	0	0	0.3	200.0%
Robbery	5	5	4.0	N/C
Agg Assault	2	4	2.7	125.0%
Total P1 Violent Crime	8	9	7.3	50.0%
Burglary/BE	38	25	28.0	-42.9%
Theft from Auto	45	73	56.0	16.1%
Personal/Other Theft	45	41	43.3	-21.5%
Auto Theft	7	12	8.7	38.5%
Total P1 Property Crime	135	151	136.0	-6.6%
Total P1 Crime	143	160	143.3	-3.7%

East Walnut Hills	Rolling 28 ending: 12/20/2021				
	Period 4 08/31/21 - 9/27/21	Period 3 09/28/21 - 10/25/21	Period 2 10/26/21 - 11/22/21	Period 1 11/23/21 - 12/20/21	% Change: P2-P1
Part 1 Crime					
Homicide	0	0	0	0	N/C
Rape	0	0	0	0	↓ 1
Robbery	0	0	0	0	N/C
Agg Assault	1	2	0	0	↓ 2
Total P1 Violent Crime	1	2	1	0	↓ 1
Burglary/BE	1	2	2	0	↓ 2
Theft from Auto	3	4	5	1	-75.0%
Personal/Other Theft	3	3	3	3	N/C
Auto Theft	0	1	1	0	↓ 1
Total P1 Property Crime	7	10	11	4	-60.0%
Total P1 Crime	8	12	12	4	-66.7%

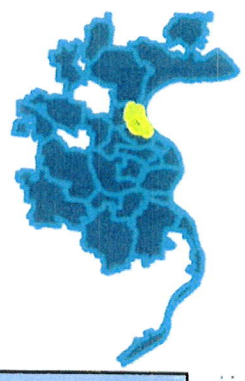
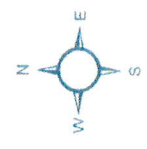


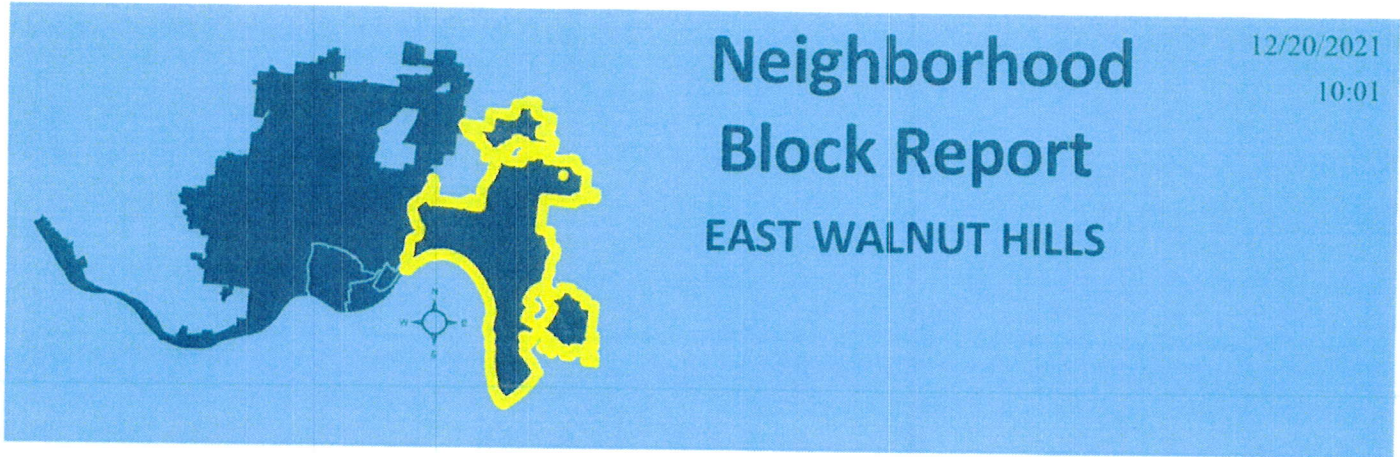
EAST WALNUT HILLS Neighborhood Crime Report: 28 DAY REPORTING PERIOD

*All information shown here are preliminary and subject to change



- Neighborhoods**
- Districts
- Violent Crimes**
- Homicide
 - Rape
 - Robbery
 - Agg Assault
- Property Crimes**
- Burglary/BE
 - Theft from Auto
 - Auto Theft
 - Personal/Other Theft





Neighborhood Block Report

EAST WALNUT HILLS

12/20/2021
10:01

Burglary/BE

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
219031195	Aggravated Burglary	12/15/2021 10:01:00 AM	25XX HACKBERRY ST
219031390	Breaking and Entering	12/17/2021 10:36:00 AM	14XX E MCMILLAN ST

Part 2 Offense

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
219031390	Misuse of Credit Card	12/17/2021 10:36:00 AM	14XX E MCMILLAN ST

Personal/Other Theft

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
219029221	Theft	11/22/2021 11:00:00 AM	24XX GRANDVIEW AV

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
219029833	Theft	11/30/2021 1:02:30 PM	28XX WOODBURN AV

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
219030676	Theft	12/9/2021 2:43:16 PM	28XX WOODBURN AV

Theft from Auto

Incident No	Offense	Date of Offense	Street Block
219031466	Theft	12/18/2021 2:58:00 PM	27XX CLEINVIEW AV

EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY

Monthly Report
11/1/2021 -- 11/30/2021

Category	Annual Budget	Month	Year to Date
	7/1/2021 6/30/2022	11/1/2021 11/30/2021	7/1/2021 11/30/2021
INCOME			
Membership Dues	9,700.00	690.00	840.00
Grants	22,398.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Other Contributions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Parking Revenue	109,300.00	7,348.69	31,855.11
Event Income	100.00	0.00	0.00
Sales	200.00	0.00	68.00
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	141,698.00	18,038.69	42,763.11
EXPENSES			
Outreach	10,300.00	580.38	3,068.02
Administration	1,190.00	51.01	56.66
Business Association	15,941.00	2,000.00	2,080.85
Beautification	22,550.00	6,677.85	14,670.33
Event Committee	5,500.00	54.52	899.72
Woodburn Parking Lot	37,695.00	2,714.09	7,835.82
Madison Parking Lot	51,498.00	5,731.52	15,023.21
NSP Repayment	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	144,674.00	17,809.37	43,634.61
OVERALL TOTAL	-2,976.00	229.32	-871.50

BALANCE SHEET (Month)

	10/31/2021	11/30/2021	Net Change
Operating Account	6,421.28	6,479.89	58.61
Madison Parking Lot Acct (Restricted)	18,182.10	17,538.77	-643.33
Woodburn Lot Acct	16,614.94	16,161.35	-453.59
Business Association Acct	781.11	8,781.11	8,000.00
Business Association PayPal	11.97	11.97	0.00
Cash	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advance to DCDC	6,768.00	6,768.00	0.00
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	48,779.40	55,741.09	6,961.69

BALANCE SHEET (Year to Date)

	6/30/2021	11/30/2021	Net Change
Operating Account	24,367.47	6,479.89	-17,887.58
Madison Parking Lot Acct (Restricted)	11,175.86	17,538.77	6,362.91
Woodburn Lot Acct	13,528.18	16,161.35	2,633.17
Business Association Acct	761.11	8,781.11	8,020.00
Business Association PayPal	11.97	11.97	0.00
Cash	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advance to DCDC	6,768.00	6,768.00	0.00
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS	56,612.59	55,741.09	-871.50

THE EAST WALNUT HILLS ASSEMBLY, INC.
Neighborhood Support Program
2022 Proposed Budget

NSP Category	2022 NSP Budget	Notes
Communication	\$6,138	Newsletter, Social Media, Kiosk Posters
Woodburn Lot	\$1,500	Insurance and Taxes
Total	\$7,638	