



Overland Park Neighborhood Association (OPNA) – October 28, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:34 pm by Co-President Mara.

A link to our **COVID19 resources page** is found [here](#) on our OPNA website.

Minutes from September 2021 meeting

Minutes from the September meeting were approved.

Treasurer Report

Reminder: Annual dues apply to the full calendar year.

\$10 per household, \$25 business.

Paid members are voting members

Beginning Balance		\$ 5,797.27
Membership Deposits		\$ 134.95
Parade Float Budget: \$300		
office max	-19.23	
Harbor Freight	-8.38	
Assembly Parts & Pizza	-55.28	
Home Depot	-95.51	

Candy	-25.17	
Float Decorations	-97.14	
Cost Total		\$ (300.71)
Bank Fees		\$ (2.00)
Website Host		\$ (8.34)
Ending Balance per Bank		\$ 5,621.17
	OPNA Funds	\$ 3,658.10
	ART Funds	\$ 1,710.68
	CALC	\$ 252.39
Notes		

Annual dues are due now. They are good for the calendar year. Here are ways to pay for the dues:

Venmo

Overland Park RNO @opnadenver or using this link
https://venmo.com/code?user_id=3183003056472064841

Mail

Make check payable to OPNA and send to:
 OPNA
 Att: Andrew Gehauf
 2255 S Acoma St
 Denver, CO 80223

Police Report

CRO Kate Young

720-913-1248

kate.young@denvergov.org

District 3

1625 S. University Blvd.

Non-emergency dispatch # 720-913-2000

BROADWAY COP SHOP

487 S Broadway

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Update

CRO Kate Young: kate.young@denvergov.org

CRO AJ Pacheco: Antonio.Pacheco@denvergov.org

Lieutenant Michelle Fuller: Michelle.Folmar@denvergov.org

Officers Pacheco and Young provided the following stats for the past month

- Burglary - residential where home was unlocked and someone just walked in. Also unsecured garages and some commercial
- Theft from Motor Vehicle - more license plates stolen. Note: anti-theft screws are free and available from District 3 Station, University and I-25
- Theft of motor vehicles – 3 unlocked with keys inside. 1 with loaded gun inside - car was retrieved but gun was not.
- Theft - tools and bikes that had been left out, unsecured.

Next CAB (Citizen Advisory Board) meeting Nov 2nd 6pm in person District 3 Station
Amy asked about gun shots in the area - North Overland - where calling into 911 doesn't always bring a response. Officer Kate advised to email her directly with any details kate.young@denvergov.org.

Also, note that Habibi Hookah Cafe at 1800 S. Broadway is gone now.

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Maggie provided a few updates

- Election day is coming up - go to Denvervotes.com for last minute details on how and where to vote.
- As Denver continues to grow, need to redistrict before the next election. This is based on more people living in different areas causing shifting in growth. If interested in learning more, here is a [link](#) to the site.
- October is last month of street cleaning
- Vaccines are now available for 5-11 year olds - working with the state to see if they need to set up clinics again.

Mary Williams and Art on the South Platte (Survey [here](#))

Mary along with Jeff Shoemaker from Greenway [Foundation](#) are looking for input from the neighborhood as to what kind of art do we think would get more people attracted to the river along Grant Frontier, Pasquinel's Landing and Overland Pond. They are asking everyone to take the provided survey [here](#) and together we can create a vision. Some discussion included the following

- there used to be historical signage but it was removed during the most recent river renovation where we would like to see that type of signage brought back with improvements.
 - would like to be able to promote the Table so that more people are aware of where it is and what they provide as they have become an important partner on the river front.
 - would like to know the pragmatic part of this project including what is the timeline and budget? No timeline yet and budget may start in the low 5 figures range.
- Please take a few moments to complete the survey to let them know your thoughts on bringing art into the river area.

Overland 5k-Clean and Broadway Halloween Parade Recap

Kudos to all that participated in this years Broadway Halloween Parade including the preparation of the float creation and walking the route delivering candy out to all the kids along the way. Special shout out to Jeanine from the Table that drove the truck. Thank YOU!



More Photos on Facebook [here](#)

[Overland 5k-Clean](#)

The QR code on the side of the Halloween Parade float took you to a site where you can read about and sign up for the Overland 5k Cleanup. See link above in title.

COMBINE EXERCISE, SIDEWALK ADVOCACY, AND TRASH PICKUP!

Event Timing: Saturday December 5, 2021

Event Start Location: I-25 & Broadway Light Rail Station

Contact us at (303) 889-9294 or opnainfo@gmail.com

If you want to be a part of the committee for getting this going, please sign up on the site and let us know. The first meeting for the committee is on

Monday, Nov 8th at 6:30pm

TrashHawk Tavern 1539 S Broadway, Denver, CO 80210

Here's what we know so far - Bryan, a neighbor in the NE quad of Overland, will sponsor a dumpster and refreshments. We have applied for a CALC grant to help

fund it. We want to do some business outreach to see if they will help to promote this fun and productive event.

Overland Social

Here is the schedule for the Overland Socials during the upcoming holiday season:

November 8, TrashHawk Tavern

December 8, The Table

January 12, La Chiva

Check out our Facebook page for reminders. Socials start at 6:30pm and are a good way to get out and meet your neighbors and support our local businesses.

Community announcements (open to anyone)

- Mental Health First Aid ([MHFA](#)) training – Rachel Pavelko.

Rachel works for Aurora Mental Health Center in learning and development (staff training) and she facilitates training on a regular basis. She provided a short presentation about bringing Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training to OPNA members and our Overland Park neighborhood/community. This type of training could be helpful when navigating how we can support individuals experiencing homelessness and/or people who are in crisis in the community. There are different ways to do the training, some with cost and other without cost depending on the types of participants. Everyone agreed that this is something that we would like to participate in and offer to others in the neighborhood. We agreed to revisit this topic in our January 2022 meeting and come up with a date and time for the training course.

Here is a [link](#) to the pdf.

- Amy, who is on the Parks and Recreation and Activities Board (PRAB) provided links to the following:

-- Outdoor Adventure and Alternative Sports Master Plan: [Link](#) to Survey NOTE: The survey is about to close so make sure to fill it out now.

-- Denver Park Trust Community Grant [Program](#)

- October OPNA Board Elections

Amy is stepping down as co-president for now but we are all very grateful for her time served on the board.

THANK YOU Amy!!

The OPNA board for 2022:

President - Mara Owen

Vice President - Ronnie Crawford

Treasurer - Andrew Gehauf

Secretary - Rebecca Greek

Neighborhood Meeting

Our next neighborhood meeting will be on Thursday, **January 28**, 2022, at **6:30** pm probably on zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm

OPNA meetings are held the 4th Thursday of every month, excluding November and December.

Upcoming meeting dates for **2022** include the following:

Also, check us out on our [Website](#) and also to read the **minutes** from past meetings.

And like us on [Facebook](#) **Overland Park Neighborhood Association - OPNA**

Contact us at: OPNAinfo@gmail.com