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Wed 8/5/2020 5:54 PM

To: SH Comptroller CIC <CIC@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

Good Day Capital Improvements Committee,

I am unable to speak virtually during the CIC meeting on Wednesday, August 19th, but I wanted to provide written comments regarding Project WO7301 - 911 Trunk Lines.

Due to COVID-19, I made the decision to separate our Communication Center staff. Call takers and our Command Duty Officers remain at the Safety Building (our main location) while Sheriff Dispatchers will be at our back-up location at the Training Academy in order to reduce the affects of contamination if someone becomes positive with COVID-19.

We are working to get the Training Academy to be a direct replica of the Safety Building to provide redundancy. However, we are not quite there. In order to answer 911 calls, we must relocate to the Waukesha Communications Center where we have two positions. Their center has the same restrictions as we do, in that visitors are not allowed in the center to reduce the possibility for contamination. Therefore, we do not have a location to take 911 calls if we need to vacate the Safety Building.

With a second surge in COVID-19 cases possible, we will have staff at the Academy for an extended period of time. Our system is set up so that staff alternate duties to reduce burn out. That would not be possible if we can not answer 911 calls at the Training Academy. We are seeing the affects of this now and have only been able to offer verbal reassurance that we are working on a better solution.

After confirming with our IT Business Analyst, we will need to run the 911 lines over a dedicated fiber network. The cost for that network and our phone vendor to get the trunks up at the Academy are estimated to be about \$289,000 and take approximately six months. This priority one request has moved to an urgent need in the event that COVID infects our 911 main center, we need to be able to provide the prompt response and delivery of services to 911 callers in Milwaukee County and the trauma data to receiving hospitals to ensure optimal care immediately upon patient arrival to the emergency department.

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OEM Signature Panel 10.11.2017

**Please vote to support "WP49801 Underwood Creek Pwky Rd Replacement – Bluemound to 119th" on Wed. morning (item #5, file 20-609)**

Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

Tue 8/18/2020 8:10 PM

To: SH Comptroller CIC <CIC@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

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Happy to see mention of repairs to Underwood Parkway in your newsletter; Underwood Parkway; Underwood Parkway Repaving?; Underwood Creek/Menomonee River Parkway -- Wauwatosa; Parkway pavement ; Fwd: Underwood Parkway; Re: An Update from County Supervisor Shawn Rolland: June 2020; Re: [External] West Underwood Parkway , West of 116th St;

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**From:** Rolland, Shawn

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 18, 2020 2:56 PM

**To:** Manske, Scott <Scott.Manske@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; Haas, Jason <Jason.Haas@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; Brown-Martin, Donna <Donna.BrownMartin@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; Weishan, John <John.Weishan@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; Lamers, Joseph <Joseph.Lamers@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; Johnson Jr, Willie <Willie.Johnson@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

**Cc:** Crowley, David <David.Crowley@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; Meyers, Mary Jo <MaryJo.Meyers@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; Smith, Guy <Guy.Smith@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; Lucas, Jeremy <Jeremy.Lucas@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; luigischmitt65@gmail.com; Wankowski, Cheryl <Cheryl.Wankowski@milwaukeecountywi.gov>; High, Gregory <Gregory.High@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

**Subject:** CIC MEMBERS: Please vote to support "WP49801 Underwood Creek Pwky Rd Replacement – Bluemound to 119th" on Wed. morning

**Importance:** High

Colleagues,

I am writing to urge you to amend the capital improvement plan report and vote to provide funding for Underway Parkway replacement project in Wauwatosa as part of the Capital Improvement Committee's "[Review of Capital Improvement Requests](#)" discussion on Wednesday morning (item #5, file 20-609).

On page 015 of [the report](#), you'll see that item "WP49801 Underwood Creek Pwky Rd Replacement – Bluemound to 119<sup>th</sup>" receives a **strong "A1" rating** as part of the adjusted grading scale. You'll also see that the item **ranks 6<sup>th</sup> overall** in the Parks Department own prioritization list. After speaking to Mr. Smith and Mr. Lucas, they both confirm that this is a **high priority project for the Parks Department**. Currently, however, it is not slated to receive any funding in 2021.

This project is a high priority for my District 6 constituents. Each week, I receive several emails about the terrible condition of parkway. Attached, you'll find a few of those emails. Below, I'll provide a few of their comments:

- Mr. Robison: "The county needs to look at repairs to that parkway all the way to BlueMound Rd. (between 119th and BlueMound)... the section of Underwood near BlueMound is a connection that cannot be avoided, and **it is in horrible condition.**"
- Ms. Novak: Please repair the **dangerous potholes** on the Underwood Parkway. The county portion is **SO much rougher** than the city portion.
- Ms. Gibson: "I am a cyclist and can tell you that the Underwood Parkway, which is County property, **is atrocious and dangerous** for bicycles. The area along the side where bikes rides is **riddled with large potholes** and loose gravel. It **has been this way for years** and nothing ever gets fixed. Someone is really **going to get hurt**, especially as they go down the hill.
- Ms. Fritsch: "Yesterday we traveled through Hansen Park to the Underwood Creek path and down Underwood Creek road. This road, from 116<sup>th</sup> south to Bluemound Road, **is HORRIBLE**. It's rough driving in a car, but on a bicycle—never again. There are no paths or sidewalks and it's nearly impossible to stay close to the side of the road. **In order to find a bit of smoothness, one has to ride in the middle of the road.** This stretch of road **has been bad for years.**

- Mr. Stingl: "The stretch of Underwood Parkway going past Hanson Golf Course and the Wisconsin Lutheran Univ. stadium is **terribly in need of repaving. The road is crumbling and filled with radial cracks** that you cannot avoid hitting."
- Ms. Clausen: "**THANK YOU for moving forward** with the Underwood Parkway repair - it is **so desperately needed!**... We are avid bikers and the **parkway now is extremely dangerous** for the many who travel through there. It **poses a real danger** to those traveling through.
- Mr. Maloney: "West Underwood Parkway is heavily utilized by local residents commuting to work , but also for frequent walkers along the parkway, my family included. There is a **significant deterioration** in the road quality west of 117th street intersection that **needs desperate attention**. Reasons for consideration - numerous times cars on this heavily traveled road have been **forced to evade large pot holes** and **posed significant danger to residents walking** as there are no sidewalks. Some pot holes are 3-5 feet wide. This is **particularly more apparent now during COVID-19**. I have spoken with local neighborhood residents on multiple occasions that complain about the **significant damage and danger this section of the road poses to traffic and frequent walkers**. If necessary, I would be more than **happy to have a petition signed** by neighborhood residents."
- Tosa Alderman Kofroth: "I agree with you, that portion of the road **is in very poor shape**. However, that portion is owned by Milwaukee County. The city of Wauwatosa replaced the section west of it a few years ago. I have been pushing the county for years to replace it **but we always hear the same reason that they have other parkways in worse shape**. Last year, I was told by Supervisor Schmitt that it would be included in their capital budget for 2020."

I'm certain that former Supervisor Schmitt (cc'ed) can provide additional stories from his time as supervisor. This road has been in bad shape for a long time. Based on the A1 rating on the adjusted scale, the feedback I've heard from the Parks department, and the significant community concerns that I hear on a regular basis from constituents, it's clear to me that this project needs to be funded in 2021. I even went a took a picture of the potholes myself:



Let's find a way to get this funded. Please let me know if there is anything additional that I can provide. Thank you for your consideration and for your service to the county.

Best,

-Shawn



**Shawn Rolland**

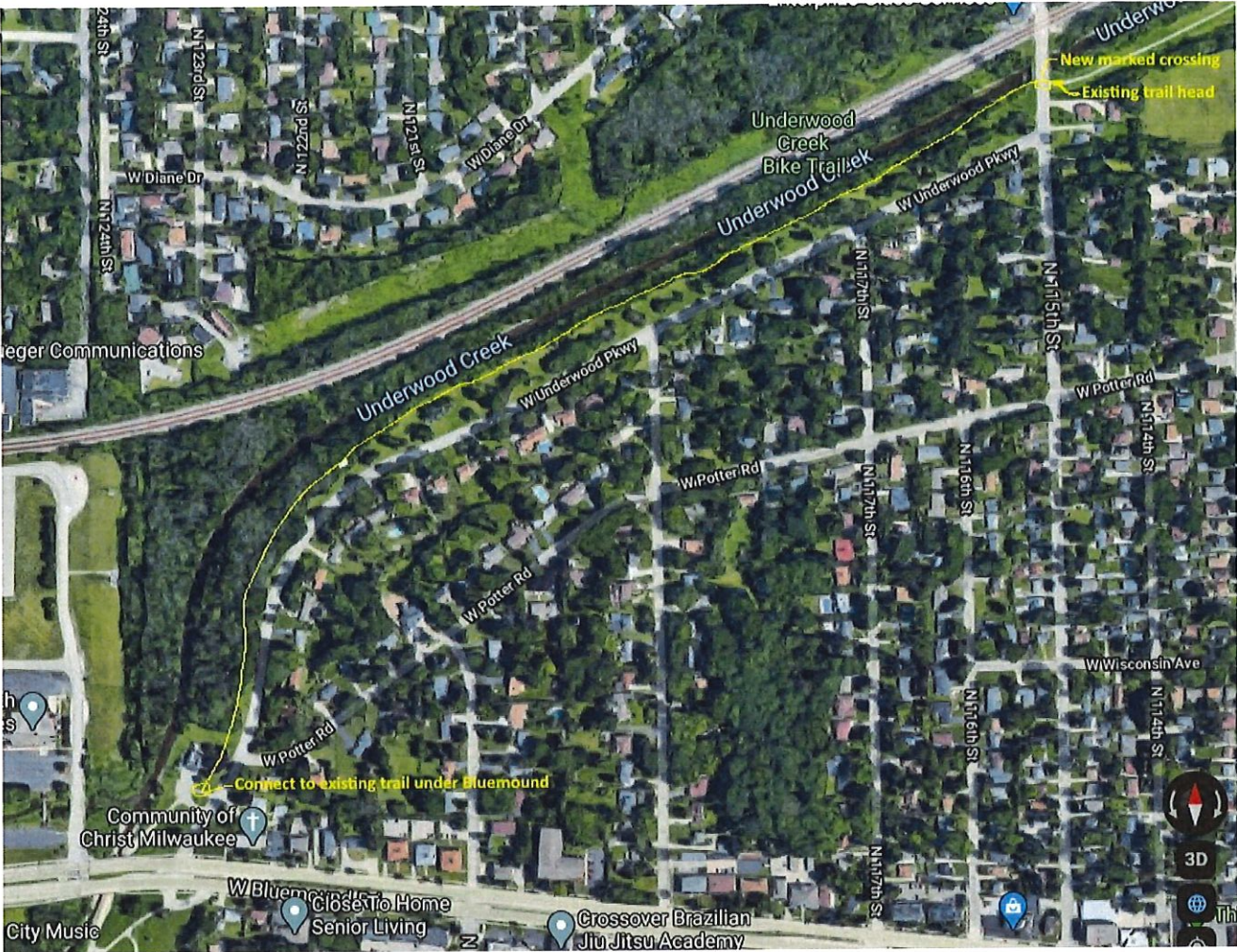
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## Happy to see mention of repairs to Underwood Parkway in your newsletter

William Robison <wgrobison@gmail.com>

Fri 8/7/2020 4:42 PM

To: Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

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Trail extension along Underwood.jpg;

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I hope that project will survive given the budget gap, but the county needs to look at repairs to that parkway all the way to BlueMound Rd. (between 119th and BlueMound). That section is also a part of the bike path, but unlike the section near Hansen, it cannot be avoided. Riders who reach the trailhead near Swan can now take a very smooth and safe route to avoid Underwood by following Swan up and over the bridge and through the roundabout. But the section of Underwood near BlueMound is a connection that cannot be avoided, and it is in equally horrible condition.

As a side note, it would be actually even better if the trail could simply be connected adjacent to this stretch of Underwood. See diagram attached of that concept. That could be a simple asphalt ribbon like the rest and would get riders off that stretch of road altogether and away from cars, which is always preferable.

Please contact me if you have questions or would like to discuss further.

Bill Robison  
6857 Milwaukee Ave, Tosa 53213

## Underwood Parkway

Diane Novak <novakdks@gmail.com>

Tue 7/21/2020 4:48 PM

To: Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

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Please repair the dangerous potholes on the Underwood Parkway. The county portion is SO much rougher than the city portion. Your thoughts?



## Underwood Parkway Repaving?

Jess Gibson <jessmgibs@gmail.com>

Tue 7/21/2020 4:31 PM

To: Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

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Mr. Rolland,

I am hoping you can help. I am a cyclist and can tell you that the Underwood Parkway, which is County property, is atrocious and dangerous for bicycles. The area along the side where bikes rides is riddled with large potholes and loose gravel. It has been this way for years and nothing ever gets fixed. Someone is really going to get hurt, especially as they go down the hill.

Do you know if there are any plans to repave it any time soon?

Thanks!

Jessica Gibson

## Underwood Creek/Menomonee River Parkway -- Wauwatosa

Margaret Fritsch <madgefritsch@outlook.com>

Tue 7/7/2020 6:23 PM

To: pp&e@milwaukeecountywi.gov <pp&e@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

Cc: Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

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Hello members of the Parks, Energy and Environment Committee,

I have three concerns:

1. One positive affect of Covid-19 is seeing more people out exercising—walking, running, riding bikes. Myself included. I dusted off my bicycle and with a neighbor, have ventured out every morning on the streets and bike trails around Wauwatosa. Yesterday we traveled through Hansen Park to the Underwood Creek path and down Underwood Creek road. This road, from 116<sup>th</sup> south to Bluemound Road, is HORRIBLE. It's rough driving in a car, but on a bicycle—never again. There are no paths or sidewalks and it's nearly impossible to stay close to the side of the road. In order to find a bit of smoothness, one has to ride in the middle of the road. This stretch of road has been bad for years. (Hansen Park is awful too, but I'll skip for now!)

Q: Wondering if there's a plan in the somewhat near future to address the road conditions on this stretch of road?

2. This has been an issue since day one. When the Menomonee River Parkway/Oak Leaf trail was installed a few years ago, from the Village of Wauwatosa (Harmonie) to Burleigh, there are two areas where the paved path moves away from the street and further down toward the woods. Walking on this early in the morning or late at night is scary, especially as a woman. The path is mostly lit until it ventures toward the woods. For a good stretch of path, you're literally walking along the woods in the dark. One area is near Hoyt Park and the other is near Harding/Beverly Blvd.

Q: What would it take to get an additional light fixture or two in these areas to keep people safe?

3. Also along the Menomonee River Parkway, more waste cans are needed. Now that I'm out and about more, I've noticed people tossing dog poop bags on the ground because there are no trash cans. I believe there is one near Hoyt Park, with dog poop bags, and maybe one more between North Avenue north to Burleigh. As a dog walker, I appreciate the bags. I usually carry my own bag, but have had to use a bag once or twice in an emergency. But I would so appreciate more trash cans so I don't have to carry a smelly poop bag the entire walk.

Q; If the trash is being picked up, what harm/cost would it be to add a few more trash cans along the way?

I've copied my county supervisor as I think he could add some local perspective for you as well on these concerns. Thank you for reading. I appreciate any feedback you could provide me on these issues.

*Margaret Fritsch*  
2404 N. 88<sup>th</sup> St.  
Wauwatosa WI  
414-429-4941

## Parkway pavement

Jim Stingl <stingljim@gmail.com>

Wed 7/8/2020 7:20 PM

To: Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

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Hi Shawn and congratulations on your election to the County Board.

I live on Kavanaugh Place in Wauwatosa. I retired recently, which gives me more time to bicycle along the Oak Leaf Trail. The stretch of Underwood Parkway going past Hanson Golf Course and the Wisconsin Lutheran Univ. stadium is terribly in need of repaving. The road is crumbling and filled with radial cracks that you cannot avoid hitting. Is there a repair calendar that gives us any hope of relief along that stretch? Thanks for listening.

Jim Stingl

Sent from my iPhone

## Fwd: Underwood Parkway

Beth Peterson <bethapete@gmail.com>

Tue 6/30/2020 8:53 PM

To: Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

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Underwood Parkway re-construction 2019 Capital Budget.doc;

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Hello Shawn -

I am wondering if you could look into whether reconstruction of Underwood Parkway west of 119th Street is still scheduled for 2020. I had received the below update in March 2019 and had not received an update since then.

Thanks,

Beth Peterson

12045 W Underwood Parkway

Wauwatosa

414-771-5526

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From: **Wankowski, Cheryl** <[Cheryl.Wankowski@milwaukeecountywi.gov](mailto:Cheryl.Wankowski@milwaukeecountywi.gov)>

Date: Tue, Mar 19, 2019 at 3:17 PM

Subject: Underwood Parkway

To:

CC: Schmitt, James <[James.Schmitt@milwaukeecountywi.gov](mailto:James.Schmitt@milwaukeecountywi.gov)>

*Interested Parties,*

*Thank you all for reaching out regarding the condition of the Underwood Parkway. It is my understanding that workers are out there today patching the parkway. That said, I talked with the Director of Operations and he stated that the Underwood Parkway is truly beyond patching and is in the 2019 Capital Improvement Budget for re-construction.*

*My understanding is the design phase will be this year (2019) and construction 2020-2023 for completion. (see attachment)*

*Thank You,*

*Cheryl*

*Cheryl Wankowski*

*Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors*

*Legislative Assistant to:*

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Re: An Update from County Supervisor Shawn Rolland: June 2020

Liz Clausen <lizlaur@gmail.com>

Mon 6/8/2020 3:28 PM

To: Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

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Hi Shawn,

I just wanted to introduce myself and say two quick things. My name is Liz Clausen and I'm a life-long Tosa resident. My husband, Brian, grew up in Brookfield, but quickly became a Tosa convert once he experienced how great it is to live here.

1. Congratulations! Brian and I voted for you and were happy to see someone with so much passion and love for Tosa take over the seat. Luigi Schmitt is a long-time family friend and I remember in high school putting up yard signs for his first run. I know you will continue this great legacy for many years to come!

2. THANK YOU for moving forward with the Underwood Parkway repair - it is so desperately needed! My husband and I owned a condo on State Street next to Leff's for 10 years before moving to 120th and Potter Road 3 years ago. We are avid bikers and the parkway now is extremely dangerous for the many who travel through there. You saw it for yourself! Hopefully one day the remainder of the Underwood Parkway near Hansen can be repaired as well. I realize it doesn't see nearly as much car traffic, but it does for bikers and again poses a real danger to those traveling through.

This newsletter is great! I look forward to seeing more from you in the future.

Stay safe and keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Liz Clausen

On Fri, Jun 5, 2020 at 3:33 PM Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov> wrote:



Hello friends & neighbors,

I am honored to introduce myself as your newly elected District 6 Milwaukee County Supervisor, Shawn Rolland.

I ran on a platform to make Wauwatosa, West Allis and Milwaukee's westside even better. In my first e-newsletter on LinkedIn, let's talk about:

- Fixing your potholes, parks and playgrounds

- Getting FREE COVID-19 tests
- Contacting Congress for emergency aid
- Serving curbside lunches to seniors
- Joining county park "friends" groups
- George Floyd's murder and the changes we must make

Please click here to read the e-newsletter: <https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/lets-make-wauwatosa-west-allis-milwaukeees-westside-even-shawn-rolland-1e>

I look forward to hearing your concerns and ideas – and serving you in the weeks and months to come.

Sincerely,

Shawn Rolland

Milwaukee County Board Supervisor – District 6, representing neighborhoods in Wauwatosa, West Allis and Milwaukee's westside

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Re: [External] West Underwood Parkway , West of 116th St

Jason Kofroth <jkofroth@wauwatosa.net>

Fri 4/24/2020 4:02 PM

To: Garrett Maloney <tommies20@yahoo.com>

Cc: Mike Morgan <mmorgan@wauwatosa.net>; Nancy Welch <nwelch@wauwatosa.net>; Tim Hanson <thanson@wauwatosa.net>; Rolland, Shawn <Shawn.Rolland@milwaukeecountywi.gov>

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Garrett - Thank you for the email. I agree with you, that portion of the road is in very poor shape. However, that portion is owned by Milwaukee County. The city of Wauwatosa replaced the section west of it a few years ago. I have been pushing the county for years to replace it but we always hear the same reason that they have other parkways in worse shape. Last year, I was told by Supervisor Schmitt that it would be included in their capital budget for 2020. I also emailed him two weeks ago for an update but have not received a respond. As you probably know, Supervisor Schmitt did not run for re-election and Shawn Rolland won the seat.

I think it would be best to get Shawn Rolland involved so that he can push at the county level. He is copied on this email.

Thanks again for reaching out.

Jason Kofroth  
Alderman, 7th District  
City of Wauwatosa  
(414)687-6267

On Apr 24, 2020, at 10:41 AM, Garrett Maloney <tommies20@yahoo.com> wrote:

This email is intended for the Council Members of District 7, Ward 21 and Neighboring District 3, Ward 9 -

As a resident of District 3, Ward 9 living on the intersection of 116th St and W Potter , I would like to respectfully and formally petition you as our city representatives to make a

conscience effort to implore resurfacing an area of our neighborhood that is need of desperate repair.

West Underwood Parkway is heavily utilized by local residents commuting to work , but also for frequent walkers along the parkway, my family included. There is a significant deterioration in the road quality west of 117th street intersection that needs desperate attention. In reviewing the street construction plans online looking out to 2024 , there is no plan to address this area at all or any other area in our districts other than Wisconsin avenue or Watertown plank road.

Reasons for consideration - numerous times cars on this heavily traveled road have been forced to evade large pot holes and posed significant danger to residents walking as there are no sidewalks. Some pot holes are 3-5 feet wide. This is particularly more apparent now during COVID-19. The high rate of speed this road is frequently traveled (being on the parkway) poses additional concerns. I have spoken with local neighborhood residents on multiple occasions that complain about the significant damage and danger this section of the road poses to traffic and frequent walkers.

I ask that each of you take a minute of your day to travel along this road and experience this yourself. If necessary , I would be more than happy to have a petition signed by neighborhood residents to provide.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Garrett Maloney - Resident of Wauwatosa District 3, Ward 9