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Project Type (Choose one)	Phase II Engineering and Construction
Select all that apply to your project:	ADA accessibility improvements (curb ramps, detectable warning surfaces, slope correction) Intersection improvements (crosswalks, curb extensions, refuge islands, pedestrian signal heads, etc.) Other innovative projects (Provide detail in description below)
1. Plan or study name (Please provide a link to the referenced planning document):	Strategic Plan: https://www.dropbox.com/s/kih9dvwjbdigxo/VoUP_Community%20Vision%20Plan_FINAL.pdf?dl=0 (16, 18, 32, 36, 37, 52, 59) Capital Improvement Plan: https://www.dropbox.com/s/hwqsvao3bqs59zs/VoUP%20CIP%20Layout.pdf?dl=0 (30, 36, 44, 45, 63) Pavement Management Plan: https://www.dropbox.com/s/7y3gg4ly83dr1ra/University%20Park_Final_Report.pdf?dl=0
2. Status (e.g. complete/underway):	Underway
3. Please provide the relevant page numbers of the plan:	Strategic Plan: (16, 18, 32, 36, 37, 52, 59) Capital Improvement Plan: (30, 36, 44, 45, 63) Pavement Management Plan: Overall

1. Please provide a narrative describing the project that includes the location and the type of improvement(s) proposed. (250-350 words):

Thornwood Mall Drive serves as a vital connection between Thornwood House, a residence for seniors and residents with disabilities, and the significant north-south route, Burnham Drive, located in the Village of University Park. Thornwood House is equipped with a Pace bus stop, exclusively accessible from Thornwood Mall Drive. Important community services, including the fire station, police station, senior apartments, and Burnham House, a facility for intellectually disabled individuals, are conveniently located near this Pace bus stop. Unfortunately, access to the Pace bus stop is impeded by the poor condition of Thornwood Mall Road, as indicated in the attached map. The present state of the road is worrisome due to the prevalence of cracks, substantial potholes, and depressions, as evident in the attached images. Given the hazardous road conditions, there is a pressing need for a full-depth reconstruction of the Thornwood Mall roadway from Burnham Drive to Thornwood House to improve bus access, pedestrian safety, and to repair the road's connection to existing ADA ramps. Furthermore, the sidewalks adjacent to the senior apartments at Burnham Drive and Thornwood Mall lack a crosswalk, posing risks for the elderly and disabled to cross the streets safely. To address this, the proposal suggests implementing a crosswalk across Thornwood Mall.

To improve the area, the recommended measures include:

Establishing two crosswalks to improve pedestrian access to local services and public transportation, and

Performing a full-depth reconstruction of Thornwood Mall to better connect the senior apartments to the main thoroughfare and create better accessibility for the Pace route.

2. Please describe how this project will help to increase transit ridership and make transit more accessible to riders. Please include the specific bus routes, bus stops, or train stations that will be impacted by the improvement(s). (200-300 words):

This project would improve pedestrian and bus access along Pace bus route 367. This route connects to a HUD housing development for seniors and disabled persons, many of whom rely on Pace bus services for access to basic goods and services. Under current conditions, the roadway is considered to be in failed condition as identified through the Village's Pavement Condition Index, which has made it difficult for Pace buses to safely access the stop at the Thornwood House housing development. Furthermore, residents are unable to safely access the next closest bus stop as there are no crosswalks or safe routes for pedestrian access. If awarded, this funding, would enable the Village to advance an important project that would address a critical gap in the Village's bike and pedestrian network and complement other initiatives to contribute to a more accessible and vibrant transit network.

1. Estimated Phase II Engineering cost:	73840.00
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2. Estimated Construction cost:	630101.33
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3. Estimated total project budget (Phase II Engineering cost + Construction cost):	703941.33
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Estimated Phase I Engineering cost:	55000
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What is your Phase I Engineering status?	Have not started
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When is Phase I Engineering scheduled to begin?	This project is anticipated to begin shortly after the start of 2024 following award and is anticipated to be completed by Q4 of 2024.
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Roadway Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Project, University Park					
Item no.	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total
DEMOLITION					
Reconstruction (Thornwood House Drive)					
1	Mobilization and Traffic Maintenance	1	L SUM	\$78,750.00	\$78,750.00
2	Full Depth Pavement Removal	1200	SQ YD	\$25.00	\$30,000.00
3	Storm Sewer Removal	450	LF	\$75.00	\$33,750.00
4	Catch Basin or Inlet Removal	4	EA	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00
5	Curb & Gutter Removal	435	LF	\$10.00	\$4,350.00
6	Sawcut Pavement	1040	LF	\$15.00	\$15,600.00
7	Signage Removal	5	EA	\$90.00	\$450.00
8	Sidewalk Removal	33	SQ YD	\$20.00	\$666.67
PROPOSED					
Reconstruction (Thornwood House Drive)					
12	Hot Mix Asphalt Surface Course, 2", N50	133	TON	\$163.00	\$21,733.33
13	Hot Mix Asphalt Binder Course, 2", N50	133	TON	\$159.00	\$21,200.00
14	12" Aggregate Base Course, IDOT CA-7, Washed and Free of Fines	600	TON	\$46.00	\$27,600.00
15	Bituminous Materials (Tack Coat)	180	GAL	\$6.50	\$1,170.00
16	Bituminous Materials (Prime Coat)	480	GAL	\$6.00	\$2,880.00
17	24" RCP Storm Sewer	450	LF	\$315.00	\$141,750.00
18	Type B Catch Basin	4	EA	\$8,000.00	\$32,000.00
19	B-6.12 Curb & Gutter	1055	LF	\$40.00	\$42,200.00
20	Depressed Curb	80	LF	\$40.00	\$3,200.00
21	Thermoplastic Pavement Marking - Line 24"	350	LF	\$6.00	\$2,100.00
22	Detectable Warning	8	EA	\$500.00	\$4,000.00
23	Sign Panel	7	EA	\$1,000.00	\$7,000.00
24	Inlet Protection	4	EA	\$250.00	\$1,000.00
25	Silt Fence	1050	LF	\$4.00	\$4,200.00
26	Concrete Sidewalk; 4" PCC on 4" Agg. Base Coarse, CA-6	89	SQ YD	\$120.00	\$10,666.67
	Reconstruction (Thornwood House Drive)				
	Subtotal (Reconstruction)				\$492,266.67
	Design Engineering (15%)				\$73,840.00
	Construction Engineering (10%)				\$49,226.67
	Construction Management (3%)				\$14,768.00
	Contingency (15%)				\$73,840.00
	<i>TOTAL (Reconstruction Only)</i>				<i>\$703,941.33</i>

Include depressed curb

(72400100, APIR092322)

2 tons/cu yd

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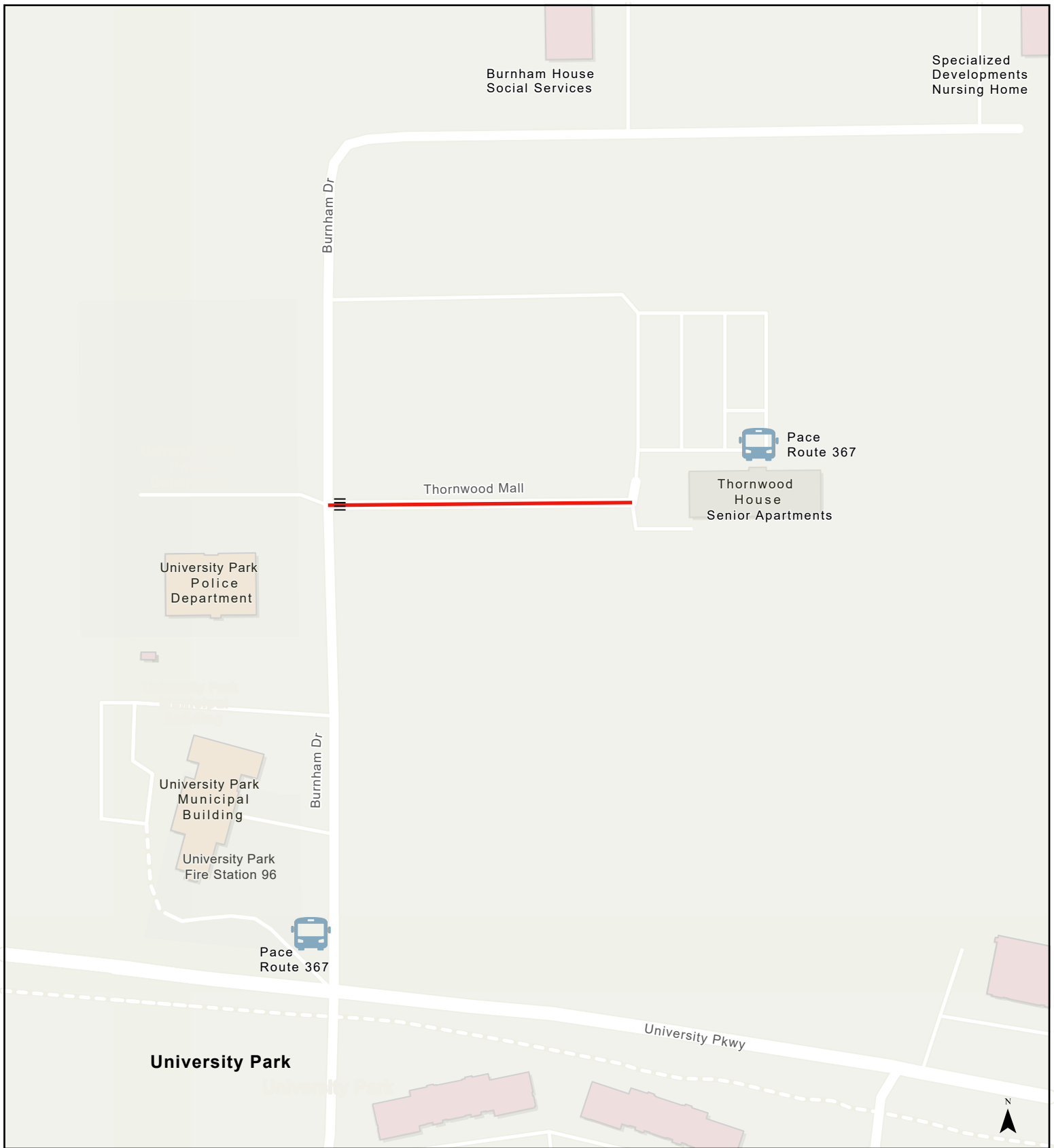
1.5 tons/cu yd

0.15 gal per sq yd

0.4 gal per sq yd

Exclude depressed curb

(78000600, APIR092322)



Village of University Park
Access to Transit



Pace Bus Stop



Proposed Crosswalk



Full Depth Reconstruction











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December 12, 2023

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Sincerely,

Donna T. Dettbarn
Monee Township Supervisor

November 14, 2023

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