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**Introduced by:** Gauthier

**Cosponsor(s):** Not applicable

**Assigned committee:** Streets and Services

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## **Fiscal Note**

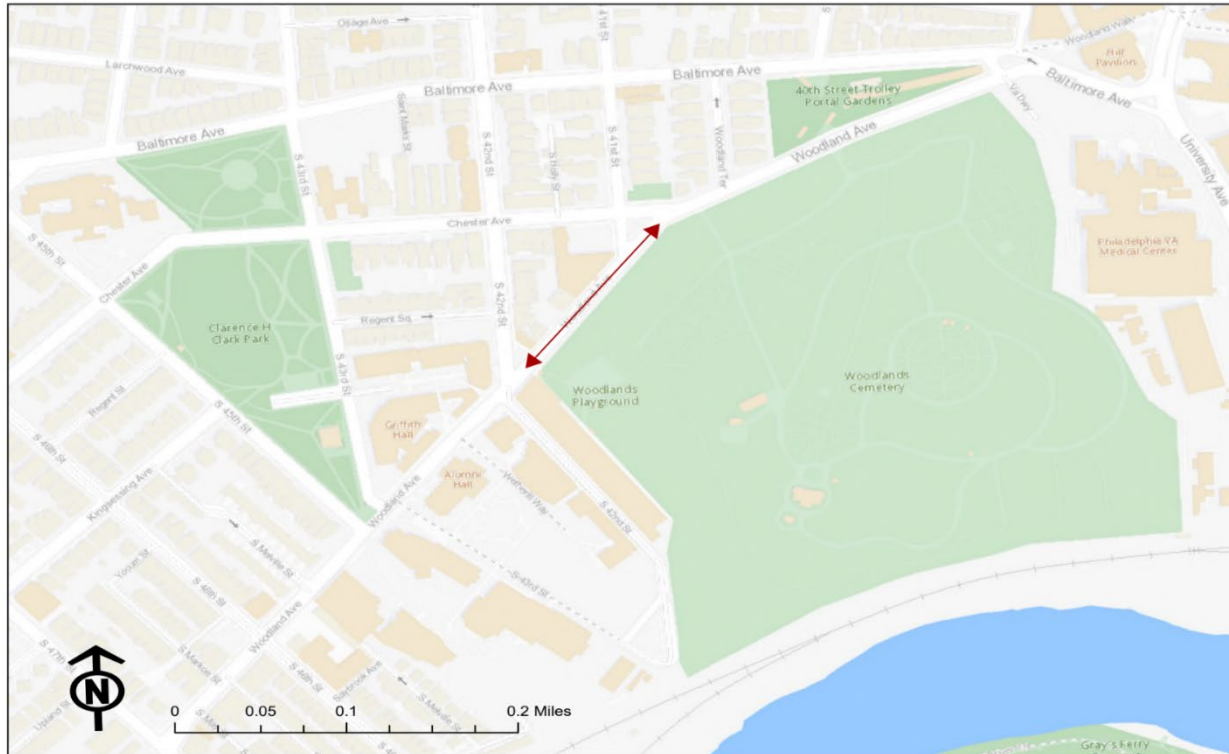
### **Overview**

This bill would allow a bike lane on a portion of Woodland Avenue.

The Office of Transportation and Infrastructure Systems (OTIS) estimates the cost to install bike lanes to be a one-time cost of \$24,000 to \$195,000 per mile, depending on the type of bike lane over 5 years. The cost to install this bike lane is anticipated to be absorbed with OTIS' existing funding resources.

### **Legislative Summary**

This bill would approve the addition of one bicycle lane in each direction on Woodland Avenue from Chester Avenue to South 42<sup>nd</sup> Street (see map below). The bill would also remove a parking lane on the south side of the street within the same limits. Existing parking restrictions on the relevant portion of Woodland Avenue would be terminated, and the area would be designated a "No Stopping Anytime" zone.

**Proposed Two-Way Bike Lane: 4100 Block Woodland Ave****Proposed Effective Date**

Approval of the bicycle lanes and removal of the south side parking lane would become effective immediately. Changes to the parking restrictions would become effective upon placement of parking signage consistent with the bill.

**Fiscal Impact Analysis**

Bike lane project costs range from \$24,000 to \$195,000 per mile, depending on the type of bike lane. Bike lane project costs can increase when features such as green paint and lane separation elements are added. Real costs may vary from this estimated range. This range was calculated using average costs from fiscal year 2025. OTIS has the funding to absorb the costs of this bike lane project within its existing budget.

**Budget Process**

The Department of Streets' (Streets) budget process provides funding for OTIS bike lane projects. Often, larger projects from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) or Streets paving projects include funding for bike lane projects. State and federal grants largely fund bike lane projects with any grant matching requirements provided by City Vision Zero funds. A list of common grant funding sources include:

- PennDOT's Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside or Multimodal Transportation Funds,

- Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Funds,
- Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Travel Options Program, and
- U.S. Department of Transportation Safe Streets and Roads for All Funds

***Bike Lane Project Process***

OTIS' bike lane projects aim to enhance safety for all road users. Bike lane projects:

- Aim to connect neighborhoods with a bike network and improve safety.
- Often, start in response to safety concerns from Philadelphia communities.
- Include an OTIS analysis of bicycle counts, traffic and engineering studies, and crash data.
- Include before and after studies to track safety and traffic impacts for projects.
- Include community engagement activities, such as engaging with Registered Community Organizations, tabling at public events, and attending community meetings.

**Legislative History**

Bill number 120327 was signed into law on June 20, 2012. This legislation requires an ordinance for the establishment of bike lanes on City streets if the bike lane requires removal of a parking lane, a travel lane, or both.

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