

Decision No. 12151.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application)
of PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY)
COMPANY to discontinue certain)
street car service in the City of)
Pasadena.)

Application No. 9045.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing the discontinuance of its local street car service in the City of Pasadena over the Tournament Park, East Washington Street, East Orange Grove Avenue and North Orange Grove Avenue Lines. The service proposed to be discontinued is to be substituted by automobile bus service to be installed by the Pacific Electric Land Company - an affiliated company with the applicant - and transfers are to be exchanged with the rail lines of applicant and the automobile busses of the Pacific Electric Land Company in the same manner that transfers are now exchanged on the rail lines of applicant.

The proposed discontinuance of street car service and the substitution of automobile bus service is in accordance with a plan informally discussed in the month of January, 1923, by the Commission, the Board of Directors of the City of Pasadena and representatives of applicant herein, and the application in this proceeding bears the endorsement of the

City Attorney of the City of Pasadena that the City of Pasadena, by its Board of Directors, has authorized its concurrence in the petition of applicant.

Under the authority herein sought, it is not contemplated to abandon or remove any trackage over the routes where street car operation is now given but to try out the substitution of automobile bus service for a reasonable period prior to seeking authority for any track abandonment and such understanding is concurred in by the governing body of the City of Pasadena.

We are of the opinion that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted subject to the conditions hereinafter contained.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that street car service as now rendered by applicant, Pacific Electric Railway Company, in the City of Pasadena and upon the specific routes hereinafter mentioned be and the same hereby is authorized suspended, provided, however, that no suspension of operation shall be made on the lines hereinafter referred to, or any of them, until there shall have been placed in operation automobile bus lines to be operated either by applicant or the Pacific Electric Land Company upon schedules which shall be satisfactory to the Board of Directors of the City of Pasadena and this Commission, and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that no authority is hereby conveyed for the abandonment and removal of any trackage on any of the streets upon which suspension of operation is hereby authorized.

A description of the local city lines in Pasadena upon which suspension of service is hereby authorized in accordance with the foregoing conditions, is as follows:

TOURNAMENT PARK LINE

Beginning at the intersection of Los Robles Avenue and East Colorado Street, thence south along South Los Robles Avenue to East California Street, thence east along East California Street to Arden Road.

EAST WASHINGTON STREET LINE

Beginning at the intersection of East Colorado Street and Los Robles Avenue, thence north along North Los Robles Avenue to East Washington Street, thence east along East Washington Street to the east City limits of Pasadena, located midway between Hill Avenue and Hamilton Avenue, thence east from such city limits of Pasadena along East Washington Street for a distance of 1.019 miles in the County of Los Angeles, to the end of the line at Tierra Alta.

EAST ORANGE GROVE AVENUE LINE

Beginning at the intersection of North Los Robles Avenue and East Villa Street, thence east along East Villa Street to North Lake Avenue, thence along North Lake Avenue to East Orange Grove Avenue, thence east along East Orange Grove Avenue to end of line at Allen Avenue.

NORTH ORANGE GROVE AVENUE LINE

Beginning at the intersection of Colorado Street and Fair Oaks, thence west on West Colorado Street to Orange Grove Avenue, thence north and northeasterly along North Orange Grove Avenue to North Fair Oaks Avenue, thence east along East Orange Grove Avenue to North Los Robles Avenue.

All the above as shown on a blue print map marked Exhibit "A" as filed with the application in this proceeding said map also showing the lines of motor Busses to be installed in lieu of the street car service herein authorized to be suspended.

The Commission expressly reserves the right to make such other and further orders in this proceeding as to it may appear just and proper, or, as in its opinion, the public convenience and necessity may require.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 24th day of May, 1923.

C. S. Serrano

Eugene E. Shaw

J. B. Whitney

Commissioners.