BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Alexander Bridge for a certificate of public convenience and necessity permitting said applicant to extend his present passenger service and permitting him to operate the said service in conjunction with his existing automobile stage line.



Application No. 10155

H. W. Kidd, by W. O. Schell,
for applicant.

B. A. Hayne, for City of South
Gate, protestant,

C. W. Cornell and H. O. Marler,
for Pacific Electric Railway
Company, protestant,

H. G. Weeks, for Los Angeles
Railway Corporation,
protestant.

BY THE COLLISSION:

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Alexander Bridge has made application to the Railroad Commission for a certificate declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by him of a passenger stage line over the two routes as shown on Exhibit "D" attached to said application.

Applicant now operates an authorized passenger stage line commencing at the end of the street railway line operated by the Los Angeles Railway Company at Walnut Park and ending at Home Gardens, pursuant to Decision No. 12014 of this Commission dated May 3, 1923, in Application No. 8935, and the present application is made for the purpose of changing a large portion of the route over which applicant is now operating and to establish a new stage cervice as shown on said Exhibit "D" attached to said application. It is also the desire and purpose of applicant to operate the pro-

posed service over both routes in conjunction with each other and as one transportation system.

A public hearing on this application was conducted before Examiner Satterwhite at Los Angeles, the matter was submitted and is now ready for decision.

Applicant proposes to charge rates in accordance with Exhibit "A" and amended Exhibit "B" and to use the equipment described in Exhibit "C."

The Pacific Electric Railway Company. Los Angeles Railway Company and the City of Southgate protested the granting of said application.

The testimony shows that applicant's present route runs almost wholly within and through the City of Southgate, over unpaved dirt streets which are quite rough and in bad condition with the exception of State Street. Home Gardens, immediately south of Southgate, has now a population of about three thousand, and the record shows that the territory bounded by McNerney Street, Southern Avenue, Cudahy Avenue and Tweedy Boulevard has recently been sub-divided and is rapidly developing, many new homes having been recently constructed and many more are in course of construction.

It was shown that the proposed new routes will afford a more direct and comfortable means of travel to the Los Angeles Railway Line at Huntington Park over and along the Long Beach Boulevard, a paved highway, then via the route now followed by applicant. Tweedy Park and Magnolia Park are new residence sections located on Long Beach Boulevard and the residents there desire this proposed stage service as it will afford them a cheaper and more frequent means of transportation than the service of the Pacific Electric Railway Company, which only main-

tains a 45 minute service between Huntington Park and Long Beach.

The record shows, however, that the Los Angeles Railway Company operates a satisfactory service along Seville Avenue between Florence Avenue and Santa Ana Street, which is one block east and parallel to Long Beach Boulevard and the order horein will not authorize any additional service by applicant locally between Florence Avenue and Santa Ana Street.

After a careful consideration of all the evidence in this proceeding, we are of the opinion and hereby find as a fact that the proposed service of the applicant, with the limitations herein indicated, should be granted.

ORDER

A public hearing having been held in the above entitled application, the matter having been duly submitted and being now ready for decision,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the establishment of the service proposed by said applicant herein over the two routes as shown on said Exhibit "D" attached to said application as follows:

Commencing at the north City limits of the City of Lynwood in the County of Los Angeles, north on California Street to Tweedy Boulevard, west over Tweedy Boulevard to Long Beach Boulevard, and north over Long Beach Boulevard to the end of the yellow car line operated by the Los Angeles Railway Company at Long Beach Boulevard and Florence Avenue, and returning by the same route;

and California Street, east on Tweedy Boulevard to Cudshy Boulevard, north on Cudshy Boulevard to Southern Avenue, west on Southern Avenue to McNerny. South on McNerny to Duane Way, and west on Duane Way to California, north on California to a point just south of the south City limits of the City of Southgate, south on California, to Tweedy Boulevard, and then over the same route to the end of the Los Angeles Railway yellow car line as set forth in Route One and return over the same route to the point of beginning.

Authority is hereby granted to operate the foregoing service over both of said routes in conjunction with each other and as one transportation system, together with the privilege of operating extra or additional cars over the said routes during the "peak hours" or hours of heavy travel, provided, however, that no passengers shall be carried locally between Florence Avenue and Senta Ana Street.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the foregoing service be, and the same is hereby granted in lieu of, and not in addition to, said applicant's existing operative rights between Home Gardens and the end of the Los Angeles Railway Company's car line at Walnut Park, subject to the following conditions:

- l. Applicant shall file his written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed ten (10) days from date hereof; shall file, in duplicate tariff of rates and time schedules identical with those filed as Exhibits "A" and "B" attached to the application herein within a period of not to exceed twenty (20) days from date hereof; and shall commence operation of the service herein authorized within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from date hereof.
- 2. The rights and privileges herein authorized may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such discontinuance, sale, lease, transfer or assignment has first been secured.

3. No vehicle may be operated by applicant herein unless such vehicle is owned by said applicant or is leased by him under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

Deted at San Francisco, California, this 3/2 day of December, 1924.

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Commissioners.