

Decision No. 11767

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
City Railway Company of Los Angeles
for a certificate declaring that
public convenience and necessity
require the exercise of rights under
street railway franchise in Ramona
Boulevard, Los Angeles County.

Application No. 11767.

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Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, by S. M. Haskins, for
Applicant.

Geo. D. Rodgers, for City Terrace Improvement
Association, Inc.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This is a proceeding brought before the Commission under Section 50, subsections (b) and (c) of the Public Utilities Act, wherein the City Railway Company of Los Angeles asks that this Commission make its order declaring that the public convenience and necessity require the exercise of the rights granted to it by a franchise from the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, which authorized the construction of a street railway track at grade in and across a portion of Ramona Boulevard in the County of Los Angeles, California.

A public hearing was held in this matter before Examiner Williams in Los Angeles, November 5th, 1925.

City Railway Company of Los Angeles is a street railway corporation, owning a part of the street railway system operated in the City of Los Angeles and in territory adjacent thereto, by Los Angeles Railway Corporation.

Applicant herein proposes to extend the so-called "Evergreen Crosstown Line" from its present terminus at the intersection of Ramona Boulevard and Bridge Street, westerly along Ramona Boulevard to Miller Avenue, a distance of about one-third of a mile. All of the proposed extension is within applicant's private right-of-way which divides Ramona Boulevard into two portions, excepting at the intersection of Ramona Boulevard and Bridge Street, a distance of 53.60 feet, which is the crossing involved herein. The Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County have, by Ordinance No. 1188 N.S., granted the Security Trust and Savings Bank, a corporation, a franchise to construct, maintain and operate a double-track electric street railway at grade across the said intersection of Ramona Boulevard and Bridge Street, located as follows:

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of the Los Angeles Railway Corporation's private right-of-way in Ramona Boulevard, said point being 120 feet, more or less, easterly from the northeasterly line of Ramona Place; thence in a northeasterly direction to the westerly line of the Los Angeles Railway Corporation's private right-of-way in Ramona Boulevard, a distance of 53.60 feet, more or less.

The testimony shows that the said franchise granted to the Security Trust and Savings Bank has been duly assigned to applicant.

The crossing involved herein is similar in character to the ordinary grade crossing of a street car line across an intersection of two public streets where vehicular traffic travels along either side of the tracks, and it would seem that no special protection is necessary for this grade crossing at this time.

From the evidence adduced in this matter, it appears that public convenience and necessity require that this application be granted, and it will be so ordered.

O R D E R

City Railway Company of Los Angeles, having applied to the Commission for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to

exercise the rights afforded by that certain franchise granted by the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, referred to in the foregoing opinion, a public hearing having been held and the Commission having based its findings of fact and its order on the foregoing opinion;

IT IS HEREBY FOUND AS A FACT that public convenience and necessity require the exercise by City Railway Company of Los Angeles of the rights, privileges and franchises granted by said Ordinance No. 1188 N.S. of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, California.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that City Railway Company of Los Angeles be and it is hereby authorized to exercise the rights, privileges and franchises granted to it by said Ordinance No. 1188 N.S.

The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders in this matter as to it may seem right and proper.

The authority herein granted shall be effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 21st day of November, 1925.

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Commissioners.