

Decision No. 16733

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application
of the Sunset Railway Company, a
corporation, for authority to con-
struct a spur track across Center
Street, in the City of Taft, County
of Kern, State of California.

Application No. 12,825.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Sunset Railway Company, a corporation, filed the above-entitled application with this Commission on the 7th day of May, 1926, asking for authority to construct a spur track at grade across Center Street in the City of Taft, County of Kern, State of California, as hereinafter set forth. The necessary franchise or permit (Resolution No. 174) has been granted by the Board of Trustees of said City of Taft for the construction of said crossing at grade. It appears to this Commission that the present proceeding is not one in which a public hearing is necessary; that it is neither reasonable nor practicable at this time to provide a grade separation, or to avoid a grade crossing at the point mentioned in this application with said Center Street and that this application should be granted subject to the conditions hereinafter specified, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that permission and authority be and it is hereby granted to Sunset Railway Company to construct a spur track at grade across Center Street in the City of Taft, County of Kern, State of California, as follows:

Commencing at a point in the northerly line of

Center Street said point being 428.17 feet westerly from the westerly line of West Avenue; thence southeasterly on a 9 degree 30 minutes curve concave to the northeast, 19.18 feet; thence on tangent to said curve 39.91 feet; thence on a 12 degree curve concave to the northeast 25.43 feet to a point in the southerly line of said Center Street 392.1 feet westerly from the westerly line of said West Avenue.

and as shown by the map (Div'n. Eng. Dwg. No. V-4-379) attached to the application; said crossing to be constructed subject to the following conditions, namely:

(1) The entire expense of constructing the crossing together with the cost of its maintenance thereafter in good and first-class condition for the safe and convenient use of the public, shall be borne by applicant.

(2) Said crossing shall be constructed equal or superior to type shown as Standard No. 3, in General Order No. 72 of this Commission and shall be constructed without superelevation and of a width to conform to that portion of said Center Street now graded, with the tops of rails at same elevation as main line rails and flush with the pavement, and with grades of approach not exceeding four (4) per cent; shall be protected by a suitable crossing sign and shall in every way be made safe for the passage thereover of vehicles and other road traffic.

(3) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said crossing.

(4) If said crossing shall not have been installed within one year from the date of this order, the authorization herein granted shall then lapse and become void, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

(5) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders relative to the location, construction, operation, maintenance and protection of said crossing as to it may seem right and

proper, and to revoke its permission if, in its judgment, the public convenience and necessity demand such action.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 17th day of May, 1926.

H. B. Anderson

C. L. Lewis

Ernest J. ...

Commissioners.