

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 16786

## BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
 C. C. TANNER, doing business under )  
 the firm name and style of "TANNER )  
 MOTOR TOURS" for certificate of public )  
 convenience and necessity to operate ) Application  
 automobile, passenger and baggage (hand) ) No. 12775  
 service between the Dollar Steamship )  
 dock, to wit:- Pier No. 232-A on Terminal )  
 Island and the hotels within the downtown )  
 district of the City of Los Angeles. )

Bauer, Wright and Macdonald, by Alexander Macdonald,  
 for Applicant,

E. E. Bennett for Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad  
 Company, Protestant,

R. E. Wedekind and H. O. Mahler for Pacific Electric  
 Railway Company.

BY THE COMMISSION -

O P I N I O N

C. C. Tanner, doing business under the firm name and style of "Tanner Motor Tours" has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order declaring that public convenience and necessity require the operation by him of an automobile service in the transportation of passengers and baggage between hotels in the downtown district of the City of Los Angeles and the Dollar Steamship dock at Pier No. 232-A on Terminal Island.

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

By the application, as amended at the hearing, applicant proposes to operate between the hotels in the downtown district of Los Angeles and the dock of the Dollar Steamship Company at Pier No. 232-A on Terminal Island carrying passengers and such hand baggage as may be cared for by the passenger. The service is to be rendered only in connection with the arrival and departure of the steamships

of the Dollar Line as operated on the "Round-the-World" service of such company. The rate proposed to be charged is a one-way fare of \$1.50 per passenger. The equipment proposed to be used consists of parlor car type automobiles of twenty-three passenger capacity.

Applicant relies as justification for the granting of the application upon the following alleged facts:- that there is no direct transportation to or from the dock of the Dollar Steamship Company at Terminal Island; that steamer passengers are required to take the ferry service operating between Terminal Island and San Pedro and then walk to the trains of Pacific Electric Railway Company; that no direct connection is made between the schedules of the ferry and the Pacific Electric Railway; and that there is no existing service available for the public unless passengers use taxicab service at an expense of approximately ten dollars.

Mr. E. P. Simmons, Manager of Tanner Tours, testified as to the proposed service and described the route that was to be followed. It is not the intention of applicant to do any business other than that originating at or destined to Terminal Island in connection with the steamship arrivals and departures of the Dollar line. The steamers of the Dollar line arrive usually on Sunday night or on Monday morning at about eight o'clock. Under the existing method of transportation steamer passengers destined Los Angeles are required to walk approximately 3/4 mile from the dock, then take a ferry from Terminal Island to San Pedro, then walk to the train of the Pacific Electric Railway Company, and are required to cross a number of tracks enroute.

Mr. E. L. Wilson, General Agent for the Dollar Steamship Line in Southern California, testified that the passenger department of his company had requested and endorsed the establishment of applicant's proposed service; that the dock at Terminal Island used by his company is not favorably located for the handling of passenger business; that the line handled a high grade passenger traffic; that frequent complaints were made as to the inconvenience caused

passengers by the existing transportation facilities between the dock and Los Angeles; and that his company, if the application were to be granted, would co-operate with the applicant by giving notice as to the expected arrival time of steamers at Terminal Island and any information as to changes or delays in the time of departure.

No evidence in protest of the application was offered at the hearing.

After full consideration we are of the opinion that a showing has been made of the necessity for the proposed service which justifies the granting of a certificate and that the application should be granted.

#### O R D E R

A public hearing having been held on the above entitled application, the matter having been duly submitted and the Commission being now fully advised,

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation by C. C. Tammer, doing business under the firm name and style of "Tammer Motor Tours" of an automobile stage service for the transportation of passengers and hand baggage from the Dollar line pier on Terminal Island <sup>and</sup> the hotels in the down-town district of the City of Los Angeles, such district being more particularly described as follows:

Bounded on the north by Third Street; on the east by Los Angeles Street; on the south by Tenth Street, and on the west by Figueroa Street, and from the Biltmore and Alexandria Hotels and the city ticket office of the Dollar Steamship Line located in the Sun Finance Building, West Sixth Street, Los Angeles, to the dock of the Dollar Steamship Line at Terminal Island over and along the following route:

Leaving Los Angeles via South Park Avenue, thence via Riverside-Redondo Boulevard to Compton; thence via "Truck Boulevard" to Terminal Island, and returning via the same route.

The service herein authorized by this declaration is to be conducted solely in connection with the arrival and departure of the Dollar Line steamers to and from the dock of said steamship company at Terminal Island and is not to be considered as authority for the establishment of a regular automobile line or for the transportation of passengers to points intermediate between Los Angeles and Terminal Island.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and the same hereby is granted to C.C.Tanner, doing business under the firm name and style of "Tanner Motor Tours" for the operation of a passenger automobile stage line between Los Angeles and Terminal Island in accordance with the terms of the foregoing declaration and subject to the following conditions:

1- Applicant herein shall file with the Railroad Commission 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 within a period of not to exceed twenty (20) days from date hereof, such tariff of rates and time schedules to be identical with those attached to the application herein; and shall commence operation of said service 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.

For all other purposes the effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 28th day of May, 1926.

Robert B. Anderson  
Chairman  
Commissioner