

Decision No. 16911.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
STRATHMORE LAND COMPANY,
a corporation, for order authorizing
sale of water system to STRATHMORE
PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT.

Application No. 12774.

Leroy McCormick for applicant.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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O P I N I O N

In this proceeding Strathmore Land Company, a corporation, has applied to the Commission for authority to transfer its water system in the Town of Strathmore, Tulare County, to Strathmore Public Utility District.

A public hearing was held in this matter before Examiner Satterwhite at Visalia, after due notice had been given so that all interested parties might appear and be heard.

The evidence shows that on January 26, 1926, the electors of the District voted to purchase the water system serving the Town of Strathmore, and also voted a bond issue of \$18,000, of which \$10,000 covers the agreed purchase price of the system and \$8,000 is provided for the installation of extensions of mains to areas not now served. The District has agreed to serve all the present consumers and will assume all the obligations to furnish water throughout the area now served by the Strathmore Land Company.

No one appeared to protest the granting of the application, and as all the present consumers and the entire service area

of Strathmore Land Company system is to be served by the District, it is evident that public interest will best be served by granting the application.

O R D E R

Strathmore Land Company having made application as entitled above, a public hearing having been held thereon and the Commission being now fully informed in the matter,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Strathmore Land Company be and it is hereby authorized to sell and convey to Strathmore Public Utility District the water system supplying consumers in and in the vicinity of Strathmore, Tulare County, together with lands and other property, more particularly described as follows:

The northerly twenty-five (25) feet of Lot 5; the easterly twenty-five (25) feet of the south half (S.½) of Lot 5, and the easterly twenty-five (25) feet of Lot 6, all in Block 3 of the said Town of Strathmore, together with the pumping plant, tank, pipes and other improvements thereon.

Blocks K and L of the said Town of Strathmore, excepting the easterly one hundred (100) feet of said blocks heretofore conveyed to the Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, and reserving and excepting for road purposes a strip forty (40) feet in width along the entire westerly side of said Blocks K and L, and a strip sixty (60) feet in width lying parallel to and adjacent westerly of the one hundred (100) foot strip heretofore conveyed to the said Southern Pacific Company; together with the pumping plant, tower and tank, pipes and other improvements on the parcel hereby conveyed; and

The distributing system of the party of the first part, consisting of pipes laid in the Town of Strathmore, or adjacent thereto, with all fittings and appurtenances thereto owned by the party of the first part.

The authorization herein granted is subject to the following conditions and not otherwise:

1. The authority herein granted shall apply only to such transfer as shall have been completed on or before October 31, 1926, and a certified copy of the final instrument of conveyance shall be filed with this Commission by Strathmore Land Company, a corporation, within thirty (30) days from the date on which it is executed.
2. Within ten (10) days from the date upon which Strathmore Land Company, a corporation, actually relinquishes control and possession of the property herein authorized to be transferred, it shall file with this Commission a certified statement indicating the date upon which such control and possession was relinquished.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 14th day of June, 1926.

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Commissioners.