

Decision No. 17654

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of application of  
Southern Pacific Company for an  
order authorizing the construction  
at grade of four (4) side tracks  
and one (1) spur track across Com-  
mercial Avenue, in the City of  
El Centro, County of Imperial,  
State of California.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 13301.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, filed the above-entitled application with this Commission on the 5th day of November, 1926, asking for authority to relocate four (4) side tracks and one (1) spur track at grade across Commercial Avenue, in the City of El Centro, County of Imperial, State of California, as hereinafter set forth. Authority to construct Commercial Avenue across the tracks of Southern Pacific Company was granted to the Board of Trustees of the City of El Centro in Decision No. 525, dated March 26th, 1913, (Application No. 466). Under the agreement, dated December 20th, 1911, between Southern Pacific Company and said Board of Trustees, the railroad company reserved the right at any time to construct, maintain and operate additional railroad tracks across said Commercial Avenue crossing. A modified agreement of similar import, covering said crossings, entered into on March 30th, 1921, by the two above-mentioned parties, is filed with the above entitled application. In Decision No. 2365, dated May 8th, 1915, (Application No. 1632) authority to construct two of said side tracks across Commercial Avenue was granted to Southern Pacific Company. It appears to this Commission that the present pro-

ceeding is not one in which a public hearing is necessary; that it is neither reasonable nor practicable at this time to provide grade separations or to avoid grade crossings at the points mentioned in this application with said Commercial Avenue 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 Southern Pacific Company to relocate four (4) side tracks and one (1) spur track at grade across Commercial Avenue in the City of El Centro, County of Imperial, State of California, as follows:

TRACK NO. 2

The center line of said track to be parallel with and distant northeasterly 31.00 feet, at right angles, from the center line of the Inter-California Railway Company's main track.

TRACK NO. 3

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Commercial Avenue distant easterly thereon 47 feet, more or less, from its intersection with the center line of above mentioned main track; thence northerly along a curved line, concave to the east and having a radius of 458.59 feet, a distance of 62 feet, more or less, to a point in the northerly line of Commercial Avenue distant easterly thereon 52 feet, more or less, from its intersection with the center line of said main track.

TRACK NO. 4

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Commercial Avenue distant easterly thereon 54 feet, more or less, from its intersection with the center line of above mentioned main track; thence northerly along a curved line concave to the east and having a radius of 458.59 feet, a distance of 60 feet, more or less, to a point in the northerly line of Commercial Avenue distant easterly thereon 68 feet, more or less, from its intersection with the center line of said main track.

TRACK NO. 5

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Commercial Avenue distant easterly thereon 65 feet, more or less, from its intersection with the center line of above mentioned main track; thence northerly along a curved line, concave to the east and having a radius of 344.08 feet, a distance of 60 feet, more or less, to a point in the northerly line of Commercial Avenue distant easterly thereon 80 feet, more or less, from its intersection with the center line of said main track.

TRACK NO. 6

The center line of said track to be parallel with and distant southwesterly 22 feet, at right angles, from the center line of above mentioned main track;

and as shown by the map (Los Angeles Div'n. Dwg. B-205, Sheet 1) attached to the application; said relocated crossings to be constructed subject to the following conditions, namely:

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

(2) Said crossings 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 of a width to conform to those portions of said street now graded, with the tops of rails at elevations specified on said Dwg. B-205, Sheet 1, and flush with the pavement, and with grades of approach not exceeding two (2) per cent; shall be protected by suitable crossing signs and shall in every way be made safe for the passage thereover of vehicles and other road traffic.

(3) Applicant shall remove said tracks shown in yellow on said Dwg. B-205 from said Commercial Avenue and shall repair said avenue to conform to the adjacent portions thereof.

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

(5) If said crossings 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.

(6) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders, relative to the location, construction, operation, maintenance

and protection of said crossings 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 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1926.

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Commissioners.