

Decision No. 17550

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of
PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY for
authority to abandon service and re-
move its tracks on Lincoln Boulevard
(formerly Eighth Street) in the City
of Santa Monica, County of Los
Angeles, California.

Application No. 13259.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

The Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, has petitioned the Railroad Commission for an order authorizing the abandonment of service and removal of its tracks on Lincoln Boulevard (formerly Eighth Street) in the City of Santa Monica, County of Los Angeles, California.

Applicant alleges that it maintains a single track line on Lincoln Boulevard (formerly Eighth Street) in the City of Santa Monica, County of Los Angeles, State of California, more definitely shown in yellow color on blue print map marked "C E R 9845, Western Division, Pacific Electric Railway Company" as attached to and made a part of the application herein.

The application recites that certain changes were made in its service on this line as required by the Commission's Decision No. 6282, dated April 24th, 1919, in Application No. 4253. After such changes in service, to conform with said order, the line continued to be operated at a loss as it had been prior to the time such decision was rendered. That in August, 1925, it was necessary to remove the poles and overhead on that line because of improvements and widening

of the street and with the concurrence of the City of Santa Monica new poles were not placed at the new location where they would be required, and the overhead was not reconstructed pending the determination upon the question of abandonment of the line. This condition exists at the present time, as the expenditure of a large amount of money would be required for the reconstruction of the poles and overhead. In addition thereto, a large expenditure would be required for the rehabilitation of the track. The City of Santa Monica, by Ordinance No. 359, dated October 13th, 1926, authorized the abandonment of this line and the removal of the tracks.

Investigation by the Commission shows that the poles and overhead were removed at the request of the City of Santa Monica, that the City of Santa Monica now requests the abandonment and removal of the tracks and there appears to be no protest against said abandonment and approval.

We are of the opinion that this is a matter in which a public hearing is not necessary and that the application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the applicant, Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, be and the same is hereby authorized to abandon service and remove its tracks on Lincoln Boulevard (formerly Eighth Street) in the City of Santa Monica, County of Los Angeles, State of California, more definitely shown in yellow color

on blue print map marked "C E H 9845, Western Division, Pacific Electric Railway Company" as attached to and made a part of this application.

Authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 26th day of November, 1926.

H. B. Sandige

C. Sawyer

Leon A. Hill

Shirley H. Hill

Commissioners.