

Decision No. 17679

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of )  
the Petaluma and Santa Rosa Railroad )  
Company for permission to construct )  
three spur tracks at grade across )  
Third Street between Wilson Street )  
and Railroad Avenue in the City of )  
Santa Rosa, County of Sonoma, State )  
of California. )

Application No. 13298.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Petaluma and Santa Rosa Railroad Company, a corporation, filed the above-entitled application with this Commission on the 5th day of November, 1926, asking for authority to construct three spur tracks at grade across Third Street, to relocate a portion of an existing spur track at grade across said Third Street and to abandon two existing spur tracks, one crossing Third Street at grade and the other crossing Wilson Street at grade, all in the City of Santa Rosa, County of Sonoma, State of California, as hereinafter set forth. The necessary franchise or permit (dated October 19th, 1926) has been granted by the City Council of said City of Santa Rosa for the construction and abandonment of said crossings 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 grade separations, or to avoid grade crossings at the points mentioned in this application with said Third 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 Petaluma and Santa Rosa Railroad Company to construct

three spur tracks at grade and to relocate a portion of an existing spur track at grade across Third Street and to abandon two existing spur track crossings across Third Street and Wilson Street, respectively, all in the City of Santa Rosa, County of Sonoma, State of California, as follows:

Crossings to be constructed across Third Street:

FIRST: A track crossing Third Street approximately 78 feet Southwest of Wilson Street.

SECOND: A track crossing Third Street approximately 120 feet Southwest of Wilson Street.

THIRD: A track crossing Third Street approximately 133 feet Southwest of Wilson Street.

Crossing to be partially Re-located:

A track crossing Third Street at an angle of approximately 76 degrees and intersecting the north line of Third Street at a point approximately 65½ feet southwest of Wilson Street.

Crossings to be removed from Third Street and Wilson Street:

FIRST: Across Third Street approximately 105 feet Southwest of Wilson Street.

SECOND: Across Wilson Street between Third Street and Fourth Street;

all as shown by the map (Santa Rosa Yard) attached to the application; said crossings to be known as No. 67B-6.61 and to be constructed, relocated and abandoned subject to the following conditions:

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

(2) Said new 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 Third Street now graded, with the tops of rails flush with the pavement, and with grades of approach not exceeding one (1) 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, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation, relocation and abandonment of said crossings.

(4) If said crossings shall not have been installed, relocated and abandoned 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 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 29<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1926.

H. B. Brundage  
V. L. Leary  
Edmund West  
Leon White  
Thos. D. Smith

Commissioners.