

Decision No. 18354.

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BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Application of
the CITY OF TORRANCE to establish a
grade crossing over Santa Fe and Los
Angeles Harbor Track at Sonoma Street.

Application No. 13546.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

The Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, filed the above entitled application with this Commission of the 23rd day of February, 1927, asking for authority to construct a public street known as Sonoma Street at grade across the track of the Santa Fe and Los Angeles Harbor Railway, subsidiary of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, in the said City of Torrance as hereinafter set forth. The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company and the Los Angeles County Grade Crossing Committee have signified by letters that they have no objection to the construction of said crossing at grade, and 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 a grade separation or to avoid a grade crossing with said track at the point mentioned in this application, 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 the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California, to construct Sonoma Street at grade across the track of the Santa Fe and Los Angeles Harbor Railway, subsidiary of The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company, at the location hereinafter particularly described and as shown by the maps (Exhibits "A" and "B") attached to the application.

Description of Crossing

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of said Santa Fe and Los Angeles Harbor Railway, said point of beginning being the intersection of said easterly line with the prolongation westerly of the northerly line of Block 52 Torrance Tract, as Recorded in Book 22, Pages 94 and 95 of Maps, Records of Los Angeles County, California; thence westerly on the prolongation of the northerly line of said Block 52, Torrance Tract, 60 feet to the westerly line of said right of way; thence northerly along said westerly line 60 feet to a point; thence easterly parallel to the first described line 60 feet; thence southerly along the easterly line of above mentioned right of way 60 feet to point of beginning.

The above crossing shall be identified as Crossing No. 2H-6.8.

Said crossing shall be constructed subject to the following conditions and not otherwise:

(1) The entire expense of constructing the crossing shall be borne by applicant. The cost of maintenance of that portion of said crossing outside of lines two (2) feet outside of the outside rails shall be borne by applicant. The maintenance of that portion of the crossing between lines two (2) feet outside of the outside rails shall be borne by The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company. No portion of the cost herein assessed to applicant for the construction or maintenance of said crossing shall be assessed by applicant, in any manner what-

soever, to the operative property of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company.

(2) The crossing shall be constructed of a width not less than thirty-five (35) feet and not more than sixty (60) feet and at an angle of ninety (90) degrees to the railroad and with grades of approach not greater than two (2) per cent; shall be constructed substantially in accordance with Standard No. 2 as specified in General Order No. 72 of this Commission; shall be protected by a Standard No. 1 crossing sign as specified in General Order No. 75 of this Commission and shall in every way be made safe for the passage thereon 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 of said crossing.

(4) If said crossing 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.

(5) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders relative to the location, construction, operation, maintenance and protection of said crossing 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 14th day of May, 1927.

H. B. Brundage
C. Seaver
Leon A. Whittell
Thomas S. Rauter
Commissioners.