

Decision No. 18836.

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 a spur track in, along
and across a portion of Walker
Street, in the City of Watsonville,
County of Santa Cruz, State of Calif-
ornia.

Application No. 14,053.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORIGINAL

ORDER

Southern Pacific Company, a corporation, filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 7th day of September, 1927, asking for authority to construct a spur track at grade across a portion of Walker Street, at its intersection with an unnamed street or alley, in the City of Watsonville, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, as hereinafter set forth. The necessary franchise or permit, dated August 2, 1927, has been granted by the Board of Aldermen of said City of Watsonville for the construction of said crossing 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 a grade separation or to avoid a grade crossing at the point mentioned in this application with said streets and that this applica-

tion 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 construct a spur track at grade across a portion of Walker Street at its intersection with an unnamed street or alley in the City of Watsonville, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, at the location hereinafter particularly described and as shown by the map (Coast Division Dwg. 23,410) attached to the application.

DESCRIPTION OF CROSSING.

Beginning at a point on the center line of an existing S.P.R.R. track in Walker Street, said point being distant northwesterly thereon 123 feet more or less from the northwesterly line of Second Street produced and distant southwesterly at right angles 15 feet more or less from the northeasterly line of Walker Street, thence in a northerly direction through a switch turnout to the right and crossing Walker Street for a distance of 105 feet more or less to a point in the northeasterly line of Walker Street distant northwesterly thereon 225 feet more or less from the northwesterly line of Second Street.

The above crossing shall be identified as Crossing No. E C-98.96.

Said crossing to be constructed subject to the following conditions, namely:

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

(2) Said crossing shall be constructed equal or superior to type shown as Standard No. 2, in General Order No. 72 of this Commission and shall be constructed of a

width to conform to that portion of said Walker 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 a suitable crossing sign 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 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 27th day of September, 1927.

Ernest J. O'Sullivan

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Commissioners.