

Decision No. 20000

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Los Angeles Railway Corporation, a corporation, and Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate motor coach passenger service under the name of Los Angeles Motor Coach Company between Fifth and Hill Streets, in the City of Los Angeles, and Wilshire Boulevard and Santa Monica Boulevard, in the City of Beverly Hills, California; and to discontinue certain operations now conducted by each of said parties.

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Application No. 14838.

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

This is an application of the Los Angeles Railway Corporation and Pacific Electric Railway Company, operating under the name of the Los Angeles Motor Coach Company, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate motor coach service in the Hollywood District of the City of Los Angeles, a portion of the proposed service being within the unincorporated section of the County of Los Angeles. Authority is also asked to discontinue a bus service operated by applicant under authority of Decision No. 19668, and a service performed entirely within the City of Los Angeles under authority of a permit granted by the Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of the City of Los Angeles.

The service proposed herein contemplates, in effect, an extension of the present Rossmore-Vine Street Line of applicants westerly through the business district of Hollywood, thence southerly along Highland Avenue and La Brea Avenue to Pico Boulevard. Said Rossmore-Vine Street Line has been operated subsequent to December,

1924, under permit from the Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of the City of Los Angeles. If service is established on the proposed extension, it will replace a short shuttle line operated by applicants on La Brea Avenue between Wilshire Boulevard and Edgewood Place, under authority of the certificate granted by the Commission in Decision No. 19668.

The fares proposed for the extension are 6¢ without transfer between Wilshire Boulevard, and points north, and the Hollywood business district on both the Vine Street and La Brea Avenue Lines. All other fares on the line are 10¢, including transfer privilege to intersecting lines of the Pacific Electric Railway, Los Angeles Railway and Los Angeles Motor Coach Company.

Waivers of protest to the granting of this application, on the part of the Original Stage Line and Pasadena-Ocean Park Stage Line, have been filed. These are the only competing carriers serving this section.

The Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of the City of Los Angeles has advised this Commission by letter, dated June 19th, 1928, that permits have been granted to applicants herein covering motor coach operation over the streets of the City of Los Angeles for the routes as proposed. Both the City of Los Angeles, through its Board of Public Utilities and Transportation, and the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, urge that favorable action be taken on this application at an early date. We are of the opinion that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted as applied for, therefore;

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEREBY
DECLARES that public convenience and necessity require the operation
by Los Angeles Railway Corporation and Pacific Electric Railway
Company, operating under the name of Los Angeles Motor Coach Com-

pany, of an automotive passenger stage service over and along the following route, to-wit:

Commencing at the intersection of Wilshire Boulevard and Rossmore Avenue, thence via Rossmore and its continuation, Vine Street, Hollywood Boulevard, Highland Avenue, Santa Monica Boulevard, and La Brea Avenue to Pico Street;

said route being shown on the map (C.E.H. 11299) attached to the application, and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity for such a service be and the same is hereby granted to Los Angeles Railway Corporation and Pacific Electric Railway Company, operating under the name of Los Angeles Motor Coach Company, as applied for herein, subject to the following conditions:

(1) Applicants shall file their written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

(2) Applicants shall file, in duplicate, within a period of not to exceed twenty (20) days from the date hereof, tariff of rates and time schedules, such tariffs of rates and time schedules to be identical with those attached to the application herein, or such other rates and time schedules as are satisfactory to this Commission, and shall commence operation of said service within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date hereof.

(3) The rights and privileges herein authorized may not be discontinued, sold, leased, transferred nor assigned unless the written consent of the Railroad Commission to such discontinuance, sale, lease, transfer, or assignment has first been secured.

(4) No vehicle may be operated by applicants herein unless such vehicle is owned by said applicants or is leased by them under a contract or agreement on a basis satisfactory to the Railroad Commission.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that Los Angeles Railway Corporation and Pacific Electric Railway Company, operating under the name of Los Angeles Motor Coach Company, be and the same are hereby authorized to discontinue motor coach service, as authorized by our Decision No. 19668, dated April 25th, 1928, in Application No. 14590, along the following route:

Commencing at Wilshire Boulevard and La Brea Avenue, south on La Brea Avenue to Edgewood Avenue, west on Edgewood Avenue to Redondo Boulevard, north on Redondo Boulevard and La Brea Avenue to West Eighth Street, east on West Eighth Street to Sycamore Avenue, north on Sycamore Avenue to Wilshire Boulevard, west on Wilshire Boulevard to La Brea Avenue;

provided that such service shall be abandoned coincident with the inauguration of the service herein authorized; and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that the certificate of public convenience and necessity heretofore granted by Decision No. 19668, be and the same is hereby revoked and annulled, the certificate granted herein being in lieu thereof.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED that applicants be and they are hereby authorized to discontinue operation of their bus line on Rossmore Avenue and Vine Street between Wilshire Boulevard and Hollywood Boulevard said discontinuance to be coincident with the operation of the service herein authorized.

For all other purposes the effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 9th day of July, 1928.

Leon Whitney

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Commissioners.