

Decision No. 20605

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of application of
Holton Inter-Urban Railway Com-
pany for an order authorizing
construction at grade of rail-
road tracks across Fern Avenue
and Fourth Street in the City
of Holtville, County of Imperial,
State of California.

Application No. 15242.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Holton Inter-Urban Railway Company, a corporation, filed the above entitled application with this Commission on the 6th day of December, 1928, asking for authority to construct a spur and wye track at grade across Fourth Street and a wye track at grade across Fern Avenue in the City of Holtville, County of Imperial, State of California, as hereinafter set forth. The necessary franchise or permit has been granted by the City Council of said City for the construction 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 Fourth Street and Fern Avenue 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 Holton Inter-Urban Railway Company to construct a spur track and a wye track at grade across Fourth

Street and a wye track at grade across Fern Avenue, in the City of Holtville, County of Imperial, State of California, at the locations hereinafter particularly described and as shown by the map (L.A. Division Drawing No. E-830) attached to the application.

Description of Crossings

FERN AVENUE - Beginning at a point in the westerly line of Fern Avenue distant northerly thereon 90.00 feet from the northwesterly corner of the intersection of Fern Avenue and Fourth Street, thence southeasterly along a curved line concave to the southwest, having a radius of 382.25 feet, a distance of 100.00 feet to a point in the easterly line of Fern Avenue, distant northerly thereon 30 feet from the northeasterly corner of the intersection of Fern Avenue and Fourth Street.

FOURTH STREET - Beginning at a point in the northerly line of Fourth Street distant easterly thereon 30 feet from the northeasterly corner of the intersection of Fern Avenue and Fourth Street; thence southeasterly along a curved line, concave to the southwest, having a radius of 382.25 feet, a distance of 95 feet to a point in the southerly line of Fourth Street distant easterly thereon 80.00 feet from the southeasterly corner of the intersection of Fern Avenue and Fourth Street; also beginning at a point in the aforesaid northerly line of Fourth Street distant easterly thereon 31.00 feet from the northeasterly corner of the intersection of Fourth Street and Fern Avenue; thence southeasterly through a Number 12 switch and along a curved line, concave to the southwest, having a radius of 382.25 feet, a distance of 100.00 feet to a point in the southerly line of Fourth Street, distant easterly thereon 92.00 feet from the southeasterly corner of the intersection of Fern Avenue and Fourth Street.

Said crossing of Fourth Street shall be identified as Crossing No. 49-709.4-C.

A. Said crossing of Fourth Street shall be constructed subject to the following conditions, and not otherwise:

(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 without superelevation and of a width to conform to that portion of said street now graded, with the tops of rails flush with the roadway and with grades of approach not exceeding four (4) per cent; 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 suitable for the passage thereover of vehicles and other road traffic.

B. Said crossing of Fern Avenue shall be constructed subject to the following conditions, and not otherwise:

(1) Said crossing shall be constructed at the sole expense of applicant and so that grades of approach not exceeding four (4) per cent will be feasible in the event that the construction of roadway along said Fern Avenue shall hereafter be authorized and so that said crossing may be made suitable for the passage thereover of vehicles and other road traffic.

(2) This order is made upon the express condition that Fern Avenue is not now actually constructed and open to travel at the point of crossing and said order shall not be deemed an authorization for the construction of an opening of said street to public use across said railroad track.

C. All of the crossings herein shall be subject to the following conditions:

(1) Applicant shall remove the track shown in yellow on the map (L.A. Division Drawing No. B-830) attached to the application and shall repair the streets to conform to the remainder thereof.

(2) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of

the installation of said crossings.

(3) If said crossings 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.

(4) 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 14th day of December, 1923.

Leon A. White
Chas. J. ...
Ernest ...
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Commissioners.