

Decision No. 22171.

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application
of PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY,
a corporation, for authority to
readjust passenger stops on its
Venice Short Line in Culver City.

} Application No. 15977.

Frank Karr, R. E. Wedekind and H.O. Marler
for Applicant.

Irvin C. Taplin, for Protestants.

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION

ORIGINAL

This is an application, filed with the Commission by the Pacific Electric Railway Company, seeking permission to readjust certain passenger stops on its Venice Short Line in the City of Los Angeles.

A public hearing in this matter was held before Examiner Gannon at Los Angeles, on January 21, 1930, at which time the matter was submitted and is now ready for decision.

The so-called Venice Short Line of the Pacific Electric Railway Company operates between Los Angeles and Venice via Culver City.

The following passenger stops are now maintained by the Pacific Electric Railway Company on its Venice Short Line in the territory embraced in this application:

<u>Passenger Stop</u>	<u>Distance from Culver City Station</u>	<u>Distance Between Passenger Stops</u>
Culver City Station,	0	0
Clarrington Avenue, - - - -	1741 feet - - - -	1190 feet
Motor Avenue, - - - -	3070 feet - - - -	1329 "
Overland Avenue, - - - -	4188 feet - - - -	1118 "

The Railway Company proposes to establish new passenger stops at Hughes Avenue and Jasmine Avenue, and to abandon the present stop at Clarington Avenue. Should this application be granted, the stops would be arranged as follows:

<u>Passenger Stop</u>	<u>Distance from Culver City Station</u>	<u>Distance Between Stations.</u>
Culver City Station	0	0
Hughes Avenue - - - - -	-1190 feet - - - - -	1190 feet
Jasmine Avenue - - - - -	-2300 " - - - - -	1110 "
Motor Avenue- - - - -	-3070 " - - - - -	770 "
Overland Avenue - - - - -	-4188 " - - - - -	1118 "

It may seem that the establishment of the two new stops, namely, Hughes Avenue and Jasmine Avenue, together with the abandonment of the Clarington Avenue stop, would more uniformly space the stops in this territory.

Mr. E. O. Marler, Assistant Passenger Traffic Manager of the Pacific Electric Railway Company, testified that this application was filed after an investigation by his Company, which investigation was initiated as a result of a request of the Palms Chamber of Commerce for the readjustment of stops as proposed, and two requests from the M.G.M. Studios for the establishment of a stop at Jasmine Avenue.

It appears from the record in this proceeding, that the only protest to the proposed rearrangement of the stops is from the residents along Clarington Avenue who are fearful that the abandonment of the Clarington Avenue stop will have a detrimental effect upon their property values.

The West Los Angeles Improvement Association and the Palms Chamber of Commerce have endorsed the proposed readjustment of

stops. The record shows that the Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of the City of Los Angeles is not opposed to the granting of this application.

After considering all the evidence in this proceeding, we are of the opinion that the readjustment of the passenger stops as proposed herein will more evenly distribute such stops and that public convenience and necessity will be accordingly subserved.

O R D E R

The above entitled application having been filed with this Commission, a public hearing having been held, the Commission being fully advised, the matter being under submission and ready for decision,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that permission and authority be and the same is hereby granted to Pacific Electric Railway Company to readjust the passenger stops on its Venice Short Line in the City of Los Angeles as set forth in the above entitled application, subject, however, to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall post notices of the discontinuance of the passenger stop at Clarington Avenue, at least five (5) days prior to such discontinuance.

2. If said readjustment of passenger stops authorized herein shall not have been effected 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.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of ~~February~~ March, 1930.

W. H. Keary

W. S. Lott

W. P. Carr
Commissioners.