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Decision No. 7992

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of Pacific Electric Railway Company for approval of the relocation of its railroad trackage in the City of Long Beach rendered necessary by the construction of the flood control channel of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, and to construct and to maintain at grade a crossing by said railroad tracks across the Long Beach tracks of the Southern Pacific Railroad, and to construct and maintain at grade a crossing by said railroad tracks across the San Pedro branch of the Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad; and to abandon certain portions of the Santa Cruz Avenue, Third Street, Riverside Drive and old Wilmington Long Beach Lines of Pacific Electric Railway Company of the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California.

Application No. 5886

By the Commission,

O R D E R

Pacific Electric Railway Company, a corporation, having on July 6, 1920, filed with the Commission an application for permission to relocate its railroad trackage in the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California, rendered necessary by the construction of the flood control channel of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District; and to construct and maintain, at grade, a crossing by said railroad tracks across the Long Beach tracks of the Southern Pacific Railroad; and to construct and maintain, at grade, a crossing by said railroad tracks across the San Pedro Branch of the Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad; and to abandon certain portions of Santa Cruz Avenue, Third Street, Riverside Drive and

Old Wilmington-Long Beach lines of Pacific Electric Railway Company of the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California, as hereinafter indicated, and it appearing to the Commission that this is not a case in which a public hearing is necessary; that the Southern Pacific Company and the Salt Lake Railroad Company have signified by letter that they have no objection to the construction of said crossings, at grade, and that they are entering into agreements covering same, and it further appearing that it is not reasonable nor practicable to avoid grade crossings with said tracks; and that the Legislative Body of the City of Long Beach has granted the necessary franchises and permits to relocate, reconstruct, maintain, operate and abandon the lines of the Pacific Electric Railway Company as hereinafter indicated; and that this application should be granted subject to the conditions hereinafter specified:-

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, That permission be and the same is hereby granted the Pacific Electric Railway Company to relocate its railroad trackage in the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California, and to construct and maintain at grade a crossing by said railroad tracks across the Long Beach tracks of the Southern Pacific Railroad, and to construct and maintain, at grade, a crossing by said railroad, across the San Pedro branch of the Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad, and to abandon certain portions of the Santa Cruz Avenue, Third Street, Riverside Drive and Old Wilmington-Long Beach Lines of Pacific Electric Railway Company of the City of Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California, all as shown by the map marked "Exhibit A", filed with the application, and described in the ordinances marked "Exhibits B and C", attach-

ed to application, and in Resolution B-1606 of the Legislative Body of the City of Long Beach, filed August 11, 1920, subject to the following conditions, viz:-

(1) The entire expense of relocating, reconstructing, and abandoning said lines of railroad, together with cost of their maintenance thereafter in first-class condition, for the safe and convenient use of the public, shall be borne by the applicant, except \$100,865.37, the sum to be paid by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, as decreed by the Superior Court of the State of California in Case E-76384.

(2) Said relocation, reconstruction, and abandonment of tracks shall be made to conform to the conditions specified in the ordinances marked "Exhibits B and C", attached to the application and in Resolution B-1606, hereinbefore mentioned.

(3) All street crossings shall be protected by suitable means and shall in every way be made safe for the passage thereover of vehicles and other road traffic.

(4) Before proceeding over the crossings with the Southern Pacific Company's and the Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad's tracks, all engines, trains, motors and cars^{of the applicant} shall be brought to a full stop, and it shall be ascertained that it is safe to proceed by sending an employee in front of each engine, train, motor or car for that purpose.

(5) The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders relative to the location, construction, operation, maintenance, and protection of said lines 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.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 23^d day
of August, 1920.

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Commissioners.