Decision No. 8606

BEFORE THE RATUROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, for permission to install a grade crossing over the tracks of the Southern Pacific Company at Dominguez Street.

Application No. 5917.

B. W. Utter, for Applicant.
F. B. Austin and J.C.McClure,
for Scuthern Pacific Company.
Frank Karr, for Pacific Electric
Railway Company.

LOVELAND, Commissioner:

OPINION

This is an application by the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County for an order authorizing the construction of a highway crossing at grade across the right of way and track of the Southern Pacific Company at Dominguez Street. The Southern Pacific line at this point parallels the San Pedro branch of the Pacific Electric Railway Company. The proposed crossing is about two miles south of Dominguez Junction, and is part of a route south to Los Angeles Harbor which is being constructed by the county primarily for truck traffic.

Although this is, and for some time, has been an open public crossing, it is desired to change it to a high speed crossing by securing easements for two triangular parcels as shown by the map attached to the application.

At the first hearing held in Los Angeles December 10, 1920, an alternative plan was discussed in which the County was to

relinquish to the two reilroad companies a strip of land now occupied by the county road between the two rights of way north of Dominquez Street. In exchange for this right of way the two railroad companies were to deed to the County, or obtain for it, the necessary right of way east of the Southern Pacific right of way as far north as the Dominguez Tower, where a crossing was to be made over the Southern Pacific Company's tracks. This would divert the heavy traffic to a crossing in a better location but would not eliminate the crossing at Dominguez Street.

In order to provide for further negotiations and to mature plans, a further hearing upon the application was set for January 20, 1921, at Los Angeles. At this hearing, the applicant stated that the alternative had been abandoned, and that Dominguez Street would be used for the proposed highway. He also stated that negotiations for the triangular parcels above mentioned were still pending. The Southern Pacific Company stated that it did not contest or protest the Dominguez Street crossing. The following form of order is recommended:

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

Los Angeles County, having filed with the Commission an application for permission to install a crossing at grade over the track of the Southern Pacific Company at Dominguez Street in said County, and it appearing that said crossing is now used as an open public crossing, and the right to such use is not contested or protested, and it further appearing that such additional easements as may be necessary are being provided for by negotiation,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the application be and the

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