

Decision No. 28802

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
the PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
on relation of the DEPARTMENT OF)
PUBLIC WORKS, for an order authoriz-)
ing the construction of crossings at)
grade of the state highway and the)
tracks of the PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAIL-)
WAY at Fourth Street, in the City of)
Santa Monica, County of Los Angeles,)
State of California.)

Application No. 19871

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BY THE COMMISSION.

O R D E R

The Department of Public Works of the State of California, on March 14, 1935, applied for authority to construct a state highway known as Road VII-L.A.-60-S.Mca. at grade across the tracks of Pacific Electric Railway Company's Santa Monica Air Line and Inglewood Branch in the vicinity of Fourth Street in the City of Santa Monica, County of Los Angeles, State of California. The Los Angeles County Grade Crossing Committee, in its report dated April 16, 1935, signified that it was not opposed to the granting of the application. An agreement covering the crossings is being worked out between the parties involved, and copies of the same will be furnished to the Commission.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary herein; that it is neither reasonable nor practicable at this time to provide grade separations or to avoid grade crossings with said tracks at the points mentioned and that the application should be granted, subject to certain conditions,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Department of Public Works of the State of California is hereby authorized to construct Road

VII-L.A.-60-S.Mca, at grade across the tracks of Pacific Electric Railway Company, at the locations more particularly described in the application and as shown by the map (Exhibit "A") attached thereto, subject to the following conditions and not otherwise:

- (1) The crossing with the Santa Monica Air Line track shall be identified as a portion of Crossing No. 6A-17.55.

The crossing with the Inglewood Branch track shall be identified as crossing No. 6AB-0.08.

- (2) The entire expense of constructing the crossings shall be borne by applicant. The cost of maintenance of those portions of said crossings up to lines two (2) feet outside of the rails shall be borne by applicant. The maintenance of those portions of the crossings between lines two (2) feet outside of the rails shall be borne by Pacific Electric Railway Company. Pacific Electric Railway Company shall perform all actual work of constructing the crossings between lines two (2) feet outside of the rails.
- (3) The crossings shall be constructed of a width of not less than eighty (80) feet and at angles to the railroad approximately as shown on Exhibit "A" attached to the application, and with grades of approach not greater than four (4) per cent; shall be constructed equal or superior to type shown as standard No. 3 in General Order No. 72 of this Commission, and shall in every way be made suitable for the passage thereon of vehicles and other road traffic.
- (4) At each of the crossings authorized herein, namely, Crossing No. 6A-17.55 and Crossing No. 6AB-0.08, there shall be installed two (2) combination, flashing light, wigwag signals of a design substantially as shown on Pacific Electric Railway Company's Drawing No. C.E.E. 14422. The cost of installing and thereafter maintaining these signals shall be borne in accordance with the terms of an agreement to be entered into between applicant and Pacific Electric Railway Company, copies of which shall be filed with the Commission by Pacific Electric Railway Company within ninety (90) days from the date hereof.
- (5) Applicant shall, at its sole expense, install suitable floodlights so that all trains, engines, motors and cars passing over or occupying either of these crossings will be illuminated at night in such a manner as to be visible to the driver of a vehicle on the highway for a reasonable distance on each side of the track. The maintenance of these lights

shall be borne by the City of Santa Monica. The plan for such illumination shall be filed by the applicant with this Commission within thirty (30) days from the date of this order.

- (6) Pacific Electric Railway Company is hereby authorized to deviate from the provisions of section VI(e) of the Commission's General Order No. 75-A, and to operate over the grade crossings authorized herein protected by trolley contact controlled wigwags of a type specified in condition No. (4) hereof.
- (7) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the installation of said crossings and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.
- (8) The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one (1) year from the date hereof, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.
- (9) 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, public convenience and necessity demand such action.

The authority herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of May, 1935.

Leon A. White

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Commissioners.