

Decision No. 23396 .

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, a
corporation, for authority to abandon
part of Daisy Avenue line in the City
of Long Beach, County of Los Angeles,
California.

ORIGINAL

Application No. 23580.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

Pacific Electric Railway Company, on July 17, 1940, applied for authority to abandon and remove that portion of its so-called Daisy Avenue Line in the City of Long Beach, between the intersection of the southerly line of State Street with said Daisy Avenue Line and the northerly line of 32nd Street, all in the City of Long Beach, together with a siding, of a total length of 1.76 miles. Applicant alleges that this line was constructed in 1925, in order to provide freight service for industries which it was anticipated would be located in this section of Long Beach. This industrial development has never materialized north of State Street and the property in the area has been subdivided and developed for residential purposes.

The tracks are constructed in Daisy Avenue for a distance of 0.94 miles and the City of Long Beach insists that these tracks be reconstructed and the track area paved, if the tracks are to be retained, at an estimated cost to applicant in excess of \$55,000. Residents along the section of the line proposed to be abandoned have made insistent demands that the tracks be removed, particularly that portion in public street. Present rail operation over this line consists of one round trip of a box motor daily and this, as well as other freight, can be handled with equal facility by way of Wilmington.

Industries along the line south of State Street will continue to be served from the Long Beach-Wilmington Line.

It appearing that a public hearing is not necessary herein and that the application should be granted;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Pacific Electric Railway Company is hereby authorized to abandon and remove that portion of its Daisy Avenue Line located in the City of Long Beach, County of Los Angeles, shown in yellow on Exhibit "A" attached to the application, and more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of the southerly line of State Street, Long Beach, with the Daisy Avenue line; thence extending northerly a single track on Daisy Avenue and private right of way to the northerly line of 32nd Street, Long Beach, together with siding. Total length 1.76 miles.

Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission in writing of the abandonment of the facilities authorized herein and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.

The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one year from the date hereof, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6th day of August, 1940.

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Grand Juror
Robert W. ...
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Justice J. ...
Commissioners.