

Decision No. 34355

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of) VALLEJO BUS COMPANY, a corporation,) for an order authorizing change of) routing heretofore authorized and) granted pursuant to Decision No.6611.)

Supplemental Application No. 4634

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In the Matter of the Application of VALLEJO BUS COMPANY, a corporation, for an order authorizing change of routes heretofore authorized pursuant to Decision No. 28733.

Supplemental Application No. 20437

In the Matter of the Application of) A. G. SMITH, for certificate of pub-) lic convenience and necessity to op-) erate passenger, property and baggage) between terminals in Vallejo Township,) County of Solano, indicated on Route) schedules as common carriers.)

Application No. 23847

PETER TUM SUDEN and VICTOR RAAHAUGE, by Peter tum Suden, for Vallejo Bus Company.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER P. G. WRENN, for the Commandant of Mare Island Navy Yard.

E. L. MOSSMAN, for A. G. Smith.

ROLLAND POPE, City Attorney, for the City of Vallejo.

BY THE COMMISSION:

<u>OPINION</u>

By its Decision No. 34167, dated May 6, 1941, the Commission authorized Vallejo Bus Company to extend, enlarge, consolidate and unify its passenger stage operations in and about Vallejo and

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environs for a period of ninety (90) days, pending the preparing and filing, within thirty days of said date, of an additional plan of operation looking to the establishment, on a permanent basis, of such a service which would more adequately care for the transportation needs of the territory involved, particularly with reference to the Mare Island Navy Yard. Concurrently, the application of A. G. Smith for authority to establish similar service was denied without prejudice. The Commission directed its engineers to cooperate with the civic and naval authorities as well as the Vallejo Bus Company, in conducting a survey looking toward the establishment of an appropriate local transportation system to serve the entire Vallejo area and pointed out the need for an early determination of this matter.

Pursuant to said order studies were undertaken and the results thereof were set forth in report form. The Commission, by its order of June 12, 1941, reopened these proceedings for the purpose of taking additional evidence and set the reopened matter for public hearing in Vallejo on June 19, 1941 before Examiner McGettigan, where testimony was taken, exhibits filed, the matter duly submitted, and it is now ready for decision.

Two routing plans were submitted, one by the Vallejo Bus Company and the other by the Commission's transportation engineer, Ward Hall. The only difference in the two plans is to be found in the central business district routings.

Vallejo Bus Company, the Commandant of Mare Island Navy

(1) Order effective May 26, 1941. Temporary period of operation expires on August 26, 1941.

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(2) Yard, A. G. Smith, and the City of Vallejo were represented at the hearing on June 19. during which both plans were presented and subjected to discussion.

Vallejo Bus Company presented several amendments to its original proposal allegedly necessitated by traffic rules and conditions within the city limits of Vallejo.

At the conclusion of the hearing the Vallejo Bus Company urged that the plan presented by the Commission's representative be adopted in its entirety.

A. G. Smith offered no evidence at this hearing. No other proposals were presented and no opposition to either plan developed.

In view of the state of the record and the position of the various parties, it appears that in the public interest the plan presented by the Commission's representative should be adopted and that Vallejo Bus Company be authorized to establish service on the basis of the findings and conclusions therein contained.

It is to be noted in connection with the plan of operation here proposed that, because of inherent restrictions contained in city ordinances regulating the flow of traffic within

(2) The following parties were notified of the further hearing: Vallejo Bus Company, A. G. Smith, Peter tum Suden, Everitt L. Mossman, Douglas Brookman, Thomas J. Horan, H. J. Hoffman, Hugh Fullerton, Rolland Pope, Admiral W. L. Friedell, J. Hayden Perkins, George C. Demmon, Daniel Foley, James O'Hara, L. E. Gibson and Victor Raahauge.

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the city of Vallejo, certain loop routings have necessarily been made provisional only, to compensate for such changes as may from time to time occur in such restrictions. To afford the necessary flexibility of operation required to comply with these regulations Vallejo Bus Company will be permitted, therefore, to utilize one square city block at termini or other points for turn around purposes.

It is to be further noted that, as to certain services and particularly with respect to service proposed to the Enlisted Navy Personnel housing project (Mare Island), the proposed routes may not at this time be fully established because of the lack, at present, of adequate street and road connections now being remedied by new construction. Vallejo Bus Company will be expected to keep abreast of these contemplated and partially finished improvements with a view to the establishment, in full, of the plan of operation herein authorized, as well as such other extensions and improvements as may from time to time become apparent.

The following order will so provide.

ORDER

Public hearing having been held in the above-entitled proceedings, evidence having been received, the matters having been duly submitted, and it having been found as a fact that public convenience and necessity so require:

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IT IS ORDERED that the order in Decision No. 34167, dated May 6, 1941, be and it hereby is amended to read as follows:

"IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity de novo be and it is hereby granted to Vallejo Bus Company for the establishment and operation of an automotive service for the common carrier transportation of passengers, as a passenger stage corporation, as such is defined in section 2½ of the Public Utilities Act, between the city of Vallejo and Mare Island Navy Yard, Vallejo Annex, Emerald Terrace, Bay Terrace, Vista de Vallejo, Fairmont Gardens, Hanns Tract, Highway Homes Addition and South Vallejo and intermediate points, as a unified and consolidated operation in lieu of any and all of its existing rights which are hereby revoked and annulled.

"IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the operation of said passenger stage corporation service, Vallejo Bus Company shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

1. File a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date hereof.

2. Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such at any time by further order, conduct said passenger stage operation over and along the following described routes:

BAY TERRACE ROUTE

Commencing at the intersection of Marin and Georgia Streets, operating northerly on Marin Street to Illinois Street, thence westerly over Illinois Street and Farragut Avenue to Wilson Avenue; thence along Wilson Avenue to Benson Avenue; thence to "B" Street, to Daniels Street, and thence easterly over Daniels Street into the United States Naval Housing Project when the street into said housing project shall have been constructed and completed; returning to Vallejo over the same route, to Marin Street, and south on Marin Street to Virginia Street, east on Virginia Street to Sonoma Street, south on Sonoma Street to Georgia Street, west on Georgia Street to Marin Street and point of commencement.

ENLISTED PERSONNEL HOUSING PROJECT ROUTE (MARE ISLAND)

Shuttle service over Selfridge Street in said housing project when projected, to the Sears Point Road, and along said Sears Point Road to the Naval Enlisted Mens' Housing Project; and returning over the same route to point of commencement.

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VISTA DE VALLEJO-FAIRMONT HEIGHTS ROUTE

Commencing at the intersection of Georgia and Marin Streets, north on Marin Street to Tennessee Street, thence easterly on Tennessee to Napa Road, thence north on Napa Road to Nebraska Street, thence easterly on Nebraska Street to Tuolumne Street, and north over Tuolumne Street and Greenfield Avenue Extended, to Fairmont Avenue; returning via Fairmont Avenue, Fleming Avenue, to Tuolumne Street and to the City of Vallejo over the same streets to Marin Street and the intersection of Virginia Street, thence easterly on Virginia Street, south on Sonoma Street, westerly on Georgia Street, and point of commencement.

HANNS TRACT AND TENNESSEE STREET EXTENSION ROUTE

Commencing at the intersection of Marin and Georgia Streets, easterly on Georgia Street to Alameda Street, north on Alameda Street to Kentucky Street, east on Kentucky Street to Monterey Road, north on Monterey Road to Sulphur Springs Road, east on Sulphur Springs Road to Halliday Street, north on Halliday Street to Tonnessee Street (also called Mare Island Boulevard), easterly on Tennessee Street to Mendocino Street, south on Mendocino Street to Louisiana Street, west on Louisiana Street to Shasta Street, north on Shasta Street to Tennessee Street; and returning over the same streets to Georgia and Marin Streets.

SOUTH VALLEJO ROUTE

Commencing at the intersection of Branciforte Street and Georgia Street operating easterly on Georgia Street to Sonoma Street, thence southerly to Maine Street, thence easterly on Maine Street to Alameda Street, thence southerly over Alameda Street to Fifth Street, thence to Bennett Street, thence over Bennett Street to Fourth Street, thence south over Fourth Street to Winchester Street, thence easterly to Fifth Street, north on Fifth Street to Lemon Street and westerly on Lemon Street back to Fourth Street; and returning over the same streets to Georgia Street and the intersection of Santa Clara Street, thence north over Santa Clara Street to Virginia Street, along Virginia Street to Branciforte Street and thence south to Georgia Street to the point of commencement.

VALLEJO ANNEX ROUTE

Commencing at the intersection of Marin and Georgia Streets, easterly on Georgia Street to Steffan Street, south on Steffan Street to Benicia Road and crossing Benicia Road on to Laurel Street, thence along Laurel Street to Idora Street, along Idora Street to Cedar Street, and thence north to Benicia Road, and thence westerly along Benicia Road to Central Avenue, thence northwesterly along Central Avenue to Georgia Street; and returning over Georgia Street to Georgia and Marin Streets, and over the loop formed by Georgia Street, Marin Street, Virginia Street and Sonoma Street.

MARE ISLAND ROUTE

Commencing at the intersection of Branciforte and Virginia Streets, operating easterly on Virginia to Marin Street, north on Marin Street to Tennessee Street, thence westerly on Tennessee Street to Mare Island Causeway and on to Mare Island, and over such routes as may be designated by the Commandant; returning via the Causeway to its intersection with Tennessee and Waterfront Streets, thence southerly along Waterfront Street to the intersection of Virginia Street and to Branciforte Street and point of commencement.

3. Comply with the provisions of General Order No. 79 by filing tariffs in conformity therewith in triplicate, and Part IV of General Order No. 93-A by filing time schedules, within sixty (60) days from the effective date of this order and upon not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public.

4. Applicant may turn its motor coaches around at the termini of any or all of the routes herein described, or at points where schedules may terminate along said routes, by operating such motor coaches in either direction around the block at the termini of said routes, or at points where schedules may be so terminated along said routes, and to carry passengers thereon and thereover, provided, however, that such turn-around route shall not encompass more than one square city block or the equivalent of one square city block, at such terminal as traffic regulations of the municipality may require.

"IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Application No. 23847 be and it hereby is denied."

The effective date of this order shall be twenty (20) days from the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this _____ day of

July, 1941.

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