

Decision No. 35671

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
FOSTER TRANSPORTATION COMPANY for )  
certificate of public convenience )  
and necessity to operate bus transpor- )  
tation service as a common carrier, )  
between Garfield Avenue and Main Street )  
and the Industrial District of the city )  
of Alhambra on Mission Road, all of )  
said streets being in the city of )  
Alhambra. )

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Application No. 25063

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

This is an application by Charles M. Foster, Charles H. Foster and George E. Foster, doing business as Foster Transportation Company, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a passenger stage service as a common carrier between Garfield Avenue and Main Street in the city of Alhambra, and what is known as the Industrial District of said city. Applicants also requests authority to change certain routes heretofore authorized in Decision No. 34456, dated July 29, 1941, on Application No. 24100.

By virtue of the decision above referred to a certificate was granted to the Fosters to establish and operate a passenger stage service, as defined in section 2½ of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of passengers and their baggage, between Alhambra and Wilmar.

The certificate authorized operation over three routes, with only two of which we are here concerned, to wit:

- (a) From Third and Main Streets in the city of Alhambra, to San Gabriel, thence to Wilmar and return to point of origin. This is known as the Del Mar Route.
- (b) From Stoneman Avenue and Main Street in a generally west and south direction to approximately the west boundary line of the city of Alhambra and return by the same route. This is referred to as the Granada Park Route.

Applicants now seek authority to establish service over a new route commencing at Garfield Avenue and Main Streets, south on Garfield Avenue to Mission Road, thence west on Mission Road to the west city limits of Alhambra, returning over the identical route.

The justification for this additional service is based on applicants' allegation that there exists an urgent demand for transportation facilities for employees of defense plants between their homes in Alhambra and said plants located on Mission Road. This demand naturally becomes more urgent as the tire problem grows more acute, and workers at the industrial plants are finding it increasingly difficult to get to and from their places of employment.

Time schedules are proposed to conform with the requirements of employees, and the fares proposed are set out in detail in the application. Applicants allege they have, or will provide, sufficient equipment to operate the proposed service. Pacific Electric Railway Company is the only common carrier operating within this area and makes no objection to the granting of the application.

There appears to be a definite and urgent demand for the service herein proposed to be rendered and the application should be granted.

As to the other portion of the application, request is made for a rerouting of the present service, as granted by Decision No. 34456. Applicants request authority to reroute the present service over the Del Mar Route and the Granada Park Route, as those routes are described in the decision hereinabove referred to, over new routes as set forth in the application. Service on the proposed Del Mar Route will require the same length of time for the round trip as over the present route, but the proposed route will be two miles longer. An increase of five cents in the one-way fare is proposed for the additional mileage. Reductions in fare are effected by the establishment of commutation tickets. Fares over the proposed Granada Park Route remain as at present.

These respective reroutings seem to be in the interest of more adequate service. A public hearing does not appear to be necessary and the application will be granted.

#### O R D E R

Application having been filed in the above-entitled matter, the Commission being duly advised, and finding that public convenience and necessity so require:

IT IS ORDERED that a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Charles M. Foster, Charles H. Foster and George E. Foster, doing business as Foster Transportation Company, authorizing the establishment and operation of a passenger stage service, as defined in section 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of passengers and their baggage:

Between the intersection of Garfield Avenue and Main Street and the west city limits of the City of Alhambra.

as an extension and enlargement of applicants' operative rights acquired under authority of the Commission's Decision No. 34456, subject to the following restriction and condition:

1. Passengers will not be handled locally between the intersection of Main Street and Garfield Avenue and the intersection of Garfield Avenue and Mission Road, both points inclusive, including intermediate points.
2. Foster Transportation Company, its successors or assigns, may never claim before this Commission, or any court or other public body, a value for the authority hereby granted in excess of the actual cost thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the operation of said passenger stage service, Foster Transportation 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 effective date hereof.
2. Comply with the rules of the Commission's General Order No. 79 and Part IV of General Order No. 93-A by filing, in triplicate, and concurrently making effective, tariffs and time schedules satisfactory to the Commission within sixty (60) days from the effective date hereof and on not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public.
3. Subject to the authority of the Commission to change or modify them at any time by further order, the passenger stage service authorized to be conducted between Garfield Avenue and Main Street and the west city limits of the City of Alhambra, shall be over and along the following route:

Starting from Garfield Avenue and Main Street, south on Garfield Avenue to Mission Road, west on Mission Road to the west city limits of the city of Alhambra; and from the west city limits on Mission Road to Garfield Avenue, north on Garfield Avenue to Main Street to point of starting;

And the passenger stage service authorized to be conducted over the Del Mar and Granada Park Routes in Decision No. 34456, dated July 29, 1941, on Application No. 24100, shall be conducted over and along the following described routes:

(a) Del Mar Route

Beginning at 3rd and Main Streets, Alhambra, East on Main Street to Chapel Avenue, North on Chapel Avenue to Alhambra Road, East on Alhambra Road to Roses Road in San Gabriel, East on Roses Road to Del Mar Avenue, South on Del Mar Avenue to La Merced Avenue, Southeast on La Merced Avenue to Messa Drive, South on Messa Drive to Hill Drive, Southeast on Hill Drive to San Gabriel Boulevard, North on San Gabriel Boulevard to Valley Boulevard, West on Valley Boulevard to Del Mar Avenue, North on Del Mar Avenue and return over the same route to 3rd and Main Streets, Alhambra.

(b) Granada Park Route

Beginning at Stoneman and Main Street in Alhambra, West on Main Street to Atlantic Boulevard, South on Atlantic Boulevard to Commonwealth Avenue, West on Commonwealth Avenue to Winchester Avenue, South on Winchester Avenue to Concord Avenue, Southwest on Concord Avenue to Mission Road, East on Mission Road through the industrial district to Fremont Avenue, South on Fremont Avenue to Valley Boulevard, West on Valley Boulevard to Westmont Avenue, South on Westmont Avenue to Hellman Avenue, East on Hellman Avenue to Fremont Avenue, South on Fremont Avenue to Carlos Avenue with a turn around at Carlos Avenue returning North on Fremont Avenue to Mission Road, West on Mission Road to Concord Avenue, Northeast on Concord Avenue to Winchester Avenue, North on Winchester Avenue to Commonwealth Avenue to Atlantic Boulevard, North on Atlantic Boulevard to Main Street, East on Main Street to Stoneman Avenue, the point of beginning.

4. Applicant is authorized to turn its motor vehicles at termini, either in the intersection of the street or by operating around blocks contiguous to such intersection in either direction, and to carry passengers as traffic regulations of the municipality may require.

