

Decision No. 35899

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)	
ASBURY RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM, a corpor-)	
ation, for authority to abandon for)	
the duration of the present war)	
emergency that portion of its Pasadena-)	
Hollywood-Ocean Park division between)	Application No. 25146
Marshfield Way and La Brea Avenue on)	
the one hand, and that section of the)	
city of Santa Monica generally known)	
as Ocean Park, on the other hand.)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Asbury Rapid Transit System, a corporation, has filed an application by which it seeks authority to abandon, for the duration of the war emergency, that portion of its Pasadena-Hollywood-Ocean Park Division west of Marshfield Way and La Brea Avenue in the Hollywood district.

The operative right involved herein was originally created by the Commission's Decision No. 6962, dated December 19, 1919, and authorized the operation of passenger stage service between Pasadena and Ocean Park via Eagle Rock, Glendale and Hollywood, with a restriction against local service between Hollywood and Ocean Park.

Applicant is now operating 36 schedules per day in that section of its Pasadena-Hollywood-Ocean Park Division between Pasadena and the intersection of Marshfield Way and La Brea Avenue in Hollywood. Between the intersection of Marshfield Way and La Brea Avenue, on the one hand, and Ocean Park, on the other hand, applicant is operating only one schedule per day,

involving a total distance of 28 miles. The traffic is negligible. For the first six months of 1942 a total of 585 passengers were carried over this portion of the line, from which a revenue of \$106.52 was derived. The total mileage on this run for the same period was 5068.

Applicant bases its request for the authority sought on the apparent lack of patronage of this service, and because of its desire to co-operate with the national program for the conservation of rubber, manpower and equipment, made necessary by the present war emergency.

Transportation service is rendered by Pacific Electric Railway between Ocean Park and Hollywood via combination motor coach and rail service. Except as provided for in the application, routes, schedules and rate of fare over the Pasadena-Hollywood-Ocean Park Division will remain unchanged.

The Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of the city of Los Angeles is on record as approving the application for abandonment.

In view of all the circumstances we do not deem it necessary to hold a public hearing in this matter and conclude that the application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that Asbury Rapid Transit System, a corporation, is hereby authorized to abandon for a period of one year motor coach service on that portion of its Pasadena-Hollywood-Ocean Park Division between the intersection of

Marshfield Way and La Brea Avenue, on the one hand, and Ocean Park, on the other hand, over and along the following route:

From the intersection of Marshfield Way and La Brea Avenue in Hollywood, thence via La Brea Avenue to Santa Monica Boulevard, thence via Santa Monica Boulevard to Ocean Avenue in Santa Monica, thence via Ocean Avenue to Pico Boulevard, thence via Pico Boulevard to Main Street, thence via Main Street to Marine Street in that section of the city of Santa Monica generally known as Ocean Park, thence returning via the going route to the intersection of Marshfield Way and La Brea Avenue in Hollywood.

This authorization is subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall give the public at least five (5) days' notice of the abandonment authorized herein by posting notices on all coaches operating on the line involved and at all stations affected.
2. Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days after the expiration of the ten day period hereinabove referred to, advise the Commission, in writing, of the abandonment herein authorized and of compliance with the conditions thereof.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of

October, 1942.

Francis R. Havener

Richard H. Chase

COMMISSIONERS