

Decision No. 38512

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of)
Los Angeles Transit Lines, for an)
order authorizing the abandonment, as)
operative property and the sale or)
other disposition of a portion of)
Division 1 lands and improvements,)
located in the City of Los Angeles,)
California.)
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Application
No. 26988

GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER, by MAX EDDY UTT,
for applicant.

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Los Angeles, and STANLEY LANEAM, Assistant
Chief Engineer, Board of Public Utilities
and Transportation of Los Angeles,
for the City of Los Angeles.

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

In this application, Los Angeles Transit Lines asks
the Commission to issue its order authorizing applicant to
abandon the property hereinafter described, and sell the same.

The property consists of Lot 4 of Power Plant Tract
No. 1, as per map recorded in Book 9, Page 75 of Maps, records
of Los Angeles County, including all improvements thereon.
The property is part of what is in the record referred to as
applicant's Division No. 1. It is located immediately adjacent
to Industrial Street between Central Avenue and Alameda Street,
in the City of Los Angeles. A large carbarn and trainmen's
quarters are located on the property. At Division No. 1

applicant has storage space for 209 streetcars. The property which it is asking permission to abandon and sell provides storage space for 80 streetcars.

The evidence shows that applicant has entered into an agreement to sell the properties for \$105,000. To protect itself against any possible use of the property, it has arranged with the purchaser for the lease of said property for a period of one year, beginning September 5, 1945, at a monthly rental of \$800, subject to the understanding that the lease may be terminated at any time by applicant upon giving ninety days' notice.

The property in question is located near the center of applicant's operations. It is admitted that it has need for the property until motor coach operations are substituted for its "A" rail line service. The City of Los Angeles is presently having a survey made of public transportation in Los Angeles. Its representatives are of the opinion that applicant should retain the property until it is definitely established that it is not needed in its transportation service. Applicant's witness urged that the property should be sold because it results in uneconomical operation in that it is separated from applicant's other property in Division No. 1 by property owned by the Pacific Electric Railway Company. He had made no analysis of applicant's operations.

The evidence does not warrant the Commission to make a finding that said property is no longer needed by applicant in its operation.

O R D E R

The Commission, having considered the evidence submitted in this application, and it being of the opinion the application should be denied without prejudice, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this application be, and the same is hereby, denied without prejudice.

Dated at San Francisco California, this 14th day of December, 1945.

Harold Culver

Francis E. Long

Isaac H. Lowie

Harold Huls

Commissioners

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