

Decision No. 38783

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 D. B. MAURICE, doing business as)
 SUNSET STAGES, to alter and extend)
 existing service and for Certificate) Application No. 27166
 of Public Convenience and Necessity)
 to operate passenger service as a)
 common carrier within the County of)
 Los Angeles.)

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BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N

Applicant is operating as a "passenger stage corporation" under authority heretofore granted by this Commission between Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Lawndale, Hawthorne, and Inglewood¹.

Authority is requested to extend and enlarge his present service between Manhattan Beach and Hawthorne by establishing an additional route between the intersection of Roscomans and Oceangate Avenues, thence along Oceangate Avenue, El Segundo Boulevard to its intersection with Hawthorne Boulevard, all in the County of Los Angeles.

The application was filed to meet the needs of a new residential community recently developed along said route.

In justification for the granting of his request applicant states as follows:

"That during the past two or three years, large numbers of new dwellings have been erected and constructed in that portion of the City of Hawthorne commonly designated as Oceangate District, all of which dwellings are occupied by

1. See Decision No. 25178 dated September 14, 1932, for summary description of operative rights previously authorized; and Decisions Nos. 34708, 35947, and 38539 for rights subsequently granted.

persons having employment and businesses at considerable distances from their homes; that the lack of transportation facilities being suffered by the citizens of said portion of Hawthorne has developed into a serious situation, with the result that the same has been forcefully called to the attention of the City Council of the city of Hawthorne, with the result that said City Council recently advised applicant of its sympathy with the residents of said Oceangate District and urged applicant to take immediate action to meet said situation."

The city of Hawthorne has urged applicant to establish said service, which is favored by a leading civic organization also. No other carrier serves this area.

Applicant proposes to commence operations on an hourly schedule and is willing to increase the service if there is sufficient demand. The distance of said route is two miles. Two five-cent fare zones are proposed, with a fare-break point at the intersection of Oceangate Avenue and El Segundo Boulevard. Applicant will use his present equipment.

Full consideration having been given the matter, we are of the opinion and find that the proposed service is necessary and in the public interest. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

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Application having been made in the above entitled matter, and the Commission being fully advised and finding that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED as follows:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby granted to D. B. Maurice, an individual, doing business as Sunset Stages, authorizing the establishment and operation of a service as a "passenger stage corporation", as defined:

by Section 24 of the Public Utilities Act, between the intersection of Rosecrans Avenue and Oceangate Avenue and the intersection of El Segundo Boulevard and Hawthorne Boulevard, as an extension of and to be consolidated with the passenger stage operations now conducted by said D. B. Maurice.

(2) That in the operation of said passenger stage service applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- (a) Applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from the effective date hereof.
- (b) Applicant shall, within sixty (60) days from the effective date hereof and upon not less than one (1) day's notice to the Commission and the public, establish the service herein authorized and comply with the provisions of 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.
- (c) Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify it at any time by further order, applicant shall conduct said passenger stage operations over and along the following route:

Beginning at the intersection of Rosecrans Avenue and Oceangate Avenue (County of Los Angeles), thence along Oceangate Avenue, El Segundo Boulevard to its intersection with Hawthorne Boulevard.

Applicant is authorized to turn his motor vehicles at termini and intermediate points, in either direction, at intersections of streets or by operating around a block contiguous to such intersections, or in accordance with local traffic rules.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 19th day of March, 1946.

David Rudman

Frank D. Lewis

Irving H. Lowell

Harold P. Huls

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