

Decision No. 40366**ORIGINAL**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of the LONG BEACH MOTOR BUS COMPANY)
for extension of portion of Hynes-) Application No. 27929
Orange Avenue route and rerouting on) First Supplemental
portions of Bellflower route.)

Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher by Max E. Utt, for applicant;
Joseph Boland for Lakewood Business Association and Conrad C.
Caldwell for Lakewood Public Utilities District, protestants;
Arthur K. Knoll for Long Beach Unified School District of Los
Angeles County, and J. R. McHenry for the Bureau of Franchises
and Public Utilities of the City of Long Beach, interested parties.

O P I N I O N

Applicant seeks authority to (1) extend its Hynes-Orange Avenue route along Carson Street from Orange Avenue to Long Beach Boulevard, (2) reroute its Bellflower route along Clark Avenue between Harvey Way and Del Amo Boulevard, discontinuing service along Faculty Avenue and Del Amo Boulevard, (3) reroute said Bellflower route along Pacific Coast Highway and Redondo Avenue, discontinuing service along Termino Avenue and Wilton Street.

A public hearing was held before Examiner Chiesa in Los Angeles, and evidence having been adduced, the matter was submitted for decision.

The evidence is uncontradicted that the proposed extension and reroutings are in the public interest. Protestants do not object to the changes but contend that the number of schedules which applicant proposes to operate on its Carson Street line,

between Long Beach Boulevard and the Long Beach Junior College, are insufficient to meet the transportation needs of the students and the general public.

Applicant proposes to operate two east-bound schedules at 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m., and three west-bound schedules at 2:15 p.m., 3:15 p.m., and 4:15 p.m. Said schedules are primarily for students but are not so restricted so that applicant may, and it does, carry other passengers. The evidence is conflicting as to the present need for additional schedules. Applicant has indicated a willingness to operate more schedules, provided there is a need therefor. Schedules may be added as the need arises without further authority from this Commission and applicant should, at all times, maintain an adequate service.

Protestants offered no evidence to support their contention that a regular and more frequent daily schedule is required.

The proposed rerouting along Clark Avenue is necessary because of the poor condition of the pavement on Faculty Avenue. The County Road Department has requested this change which will not materially inconvenience the public.

The proposed rerouting along Pacific Coast Highway and Redondo Avenue has become necessary due to traffic conditions at the intersection of Pacific Coast Highway and Termino Avenue. Service will be provided along Wilton Street by the Long Beach City Lines. This proposed change will result in an additional service between Long Beach and the Community Hospital located on Termino Avenue.

Upon consideration of the record in this proceeding, we find that applicant's proposals to extend its Hynes-Orange

Avenue route and to reroute its Bellflower route are in the public interest and will provide a necessary and improved public service.

The application will be granted.

ORDER

A public hearing having been held in the above-entitled matter, the Commission being fully advised in the premises, and finding that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That the route descriptions of the HYNES-ORANGE AVENUE ROUTE and BELLFLOWER ROUTE, appearing in paragraph (2), subparagraph (c) of Decision No. 39873, dated January 21, 1947, be amended to read as follows:

HYNES-ORANGE AVENUE ROUTE

Beginning at the intersection of Center Street and Paramount Boulevard in Hynes, thence along Paramount Boulevard, Artesia Street, Cherry Avenue, Carson Street, Walnut Avenue, Wardlow Road, Orange Avenue, Alamitos Avenue, Ocean Boulevard, Locust Avenue, Broadway to its intersection with Alamitos Avenue.

Also, beginning at the intersection of Long Beach Boulevard and Carson Street, thence along Carson Street, Faculty Avenue, Harvey Way, Lakewood Boulevard to its intersection with Carson Street.

BELLFLOWER ROUTE

Beginning at the intersection of Center Street and Bellflower Boulevard, thence along Bellflower Boulevard, Conant Street, Lakewood Boulevard, Kimeno Avenue, Livingston Drive, Ocean Boulevard, Locust Avenue, First Street, American Avenue to its intersection with Ocean Boulevard.

Also, beginning at the intersection of Bellflower Boulevard and Flower Avenue, thence along Flower Avenue, Clark Avenue, Harvey Way, Lakewood Boulevard to its intersection with Conant Street.

Also, beginning at the intersection of Bellflower Boulevard and Harvey Way, thence along Harvey Way to its intersection with Clark Avenue.

Also, beginning at the intersection of Lakewood Boulevard and Pacific Coast Highway, thence along Pacific Coast Highway, Redondo Avenue, 2nd Street, Redondo Avenue to its intersection with Ocean Boulevard.

(2) That in all other respects Decision No. 39873, as heretofore amended or supplemented, shall remain in full force and effect.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th day of June, 1947.

Harold A. Kula
Justin J. Callahan
Robert Powell
A. J. [unclear]
Kenneth Potter
 COMMISSIONERS