

Decision No. 39529

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
RIVERSIDE TRANSIT LINES, a corpora-)
tion, for re-routing of its River-)
side-La Sierra Line and its River-)
side-Canyon Crest Line.)

Application No. 27834
1st Supplemental ;

O P I N I O N

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This supplemental application by Riverside Transit Lines seeks authority to abandon its passenger service to the community of La Sierra over a route described as follows in the application:

Commencing at the intersection of Arlington Avenue and Tyler Street; thence south along Tyler Street to Wells Avenue; thence southwesterly along Wells Avenue to Hole Avenue; thence westerly along Hole Avenue to Holden Avenue; thence northerly along Holden Avenue to Arlington Avenue.

The facts and circumstances leading to the filing of this application are as follows:

Riverside Transit Lines and Pacific Electric Railway Company had filed applications to serve a subdivision known as La Sierra Heights, westerly of Riverside. ⁽¹⁾ A public hearing was held thereon and Decision No. 39664 was rendered in which the Commission found that while a more adequate service was necessary in this particular area, the volume of traffic was not sufficient to justify a proposed competitive service on an enduring financial basis and that Pacific Electric offered the better service, all things considered. The order in said decision authorized Pacific Electric to serve over Tyler, Wells, Hole and Pierce Streets. Upon

(1) Application No. 26636 (6th Sup), and Application No. 27834.

rehearing of the matter, Decision No. 39664 was affirmed in Decision No. 40338. In this latter decision, Pacific Electric was also authorized to extend its service to Raley Drive.

At the rehearing the Vice President of the Transit Company testified that his company had continued to operate at a substantial loss in this area, and the testimony was to the effect that if Pacific Electric would apply for a certificate into La Sierra the Transit Company would make immediate application for authority to abandon the Riverside-Arlington line which it is now doing by this application.

We find from the record herein that public convenience and necessity do not require or justify the continuance of applicant's service over the specified route and the application will therefore be granted. A public hearing does not appear to be necessary.

O R D E R

Application as above entitled having been filed, the Commission being advised in the premises and hereby finding that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED that Riverside Transit Company be, and it hereby is, authorized to discontinue and abandon its operation as a passenger stage corporation over Tyler Avenue from Arlington Avenue, thence over Wells Avenue and Hole Avenue to Arlington Avenue, as authorized in Decision No. 35514, in Application No. 24977, and the operative rights therefor are hereby revoked and annulled.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 22nd day of July, 1947.

Harold J. Huls
Justice J. C. Calver
Dean H. Powell
A. J. [unclear]

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