

Decision No. 42863

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, a)
corporation, for an in lieu certifi-)
cate of public convenience and)
necessity.)

Application No. 30225

O P I N I O N

Applicant requests authority to change its operation of a portion of its Route 36-C between the intersection of Foothill Boulevard & Citrus Avenue and the intersection of Foothill Boulevard and Sierra Way in the vicinity of Fontana, California. Said route is a part of applicant's Los Angeles-Pomona-San Bernardino via Foothill Boulevard Line.

An alternate route is now operated, between said intersections, along Citrus Avenue, Arrow Highway and Sierra Way. Four schedules daily in each direction now operate along said alternate route, the remaining schedules operating along Foothill Boulevard.

It is now proposed to establish, in lieu thereof, a new alternate route between the intersections of Foothill Boulevard & Juniper Avenue and Foothill Boulevard & Sierra Way, via Juniper Avenue, Spring Street, and Sierra Way, and thus serve Fontana.

That portion of present alternate route serving Fontana via Citrus Avenue, Arrow Highway, and Sierra Way is proposed to be abandoned between the intersections of Foothill Boulevard & Citrus Avenue and Sierra Way & Spring Street.

Applicant proposes to operate all schedules on the Los Angeles-Pomona-San Bernardino via Foothill Boulevard Line through Fontana via the alternate route proposed herein, whereas only four schedules in each direction are presently operated over the alternate route through Fontana. Applicant proposes to retain operating rights on Foothill Boulevard between Juniper Avenue and Sierra Way for extra or special service.

No change is proposed in the type of equipment now operated, nor in the fares now in effect.

As justification for the proposed modification, applicant states that many interested parties in Fontana and vicinity have requested additional service for their community; that the business district and the greater portion of the residential area of Fontana are in the vicinity of Pacific Electric Station and lie southerly of the Pacific Electric Los Angeles-San Bernardino rail freight line which is approximately one-third mile south of Foothill Boulevard; that passengers presently desiring to travel to points east or west of Fontana at times when service is not operated via the alternate route must either walk or use private conveyance approximately one-half mile from the business district of Fontana to Foothill Boulevard & Sierra Way; that by operation of all schedules on the Los Angeles-Pomona-San Bernardino via Foothill Boulevard Line through Fontana via the alternate route proposed herein, the residents of Fontana would be provided a convenient service to or from points east and west on approximately an hourly headway, they would continue to have shelter facilities of the Fontana Station, and that portion of the regular route along Foothill Boulevard between

Citrus Avenue and Juniper Avenue, which is presently missed when operation is via alternate route, would be served by four additional schedules; that it is estimated that approximately three minutes would be added to the running time of each schedule not now serving Fontana; that the additional route mileage required via presently operated alternate route is 1.0 mile, whereas additional route mileage via proposed alternate route is .85 mile; that on March 30, 1949, an on and off check was made of the number of passengers boarding or leaving coaches at stops along that portion of the alternate route proposed to be abandoned, and such check indicated that very few passengers would be adversely affected by the proposed alternate route; that check indicates that on the four trips in each direction via the present alternate route, the following number of passengers boarded or left coaches at intersection shown:

	<u>On</u>	<u>Off</u>
Citrus Avenue & Arrow Highway	1	0
Oleander Avenue & Arrow Highway	1	2
Cypress Avenue & Arrow Highway	0	1
# Juniper Avenue & Arrow Highway	1	4
# Nuevo Avenue & Arrow Highway	0	4

- Location is one block (approximately 400 feet) south of proposed alternate route along Spring Street.

The application is not opposed. The Commission has received several communications from residents and representatives of civic groups favoring the establishment of a service as proposed.

Having fully considered the matter, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that public convenience and necessity require the operation of Route 36-C as proposed. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

Application having been filed, the Commission being fully advised in the premises, and having found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That the description of Route 36-C, appearing in Appendix A of Decision No. 38827, in Application No. 26636, be, and it hereby is, amended to read as follows:

ROUTE NO. 36-C

From Garey Avenue and Holt Avenue (Pomona), via Garey Avenue, Cucamonga Avenue, Alexander Avenue, to private right of way parallel to 1st Street (Claremont), from Pacific Electric Railway Station at 1st Street and College Avenue, via 1st Street, Mills Avenue, 6th Street, West Arrow Highway, East Arrow Highway (Upland), San Bernardino Road, Foothill Boulevard, 4th Street, Mt. Vernon Avenue, and 2nd Street to private driveway to Pacific Electric Railway Station between "E" and "F" Streets (San Bernardino); also, from East Arrow Highway and 2nd Avenue (Upland), via 2nd Avenue to private right of way in front of Pacific Electric Railway Station between "C" and "D" Streets and from said right of way via 3rd Avenue to East Arrow Highway; also, from Foothill Boulevard and Juniper Avenue (Fontana), via Juniper Avenue, Spring Street, and Sierra Way to Foothill Boulevard.

(2) That Route 36-C, as herein amended, be, and it hereby is, granted as an extension and enlargement of, and to be consolidated with applicant's present operative rights.

(3) That applicant shall give five days' notice to the public in advance of the change in service by placing suitable signs in all equipment operated on the line involved and at all stations affected.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 10th
day of May, 1949.

R. Z. Dinsmore
James I. Calmes
Leopold Kameel
Harold P. Kula
George W. Potter
COMMISSIONERS