

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 53771

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )  
SOUTHERN CITIES TRANSIT, INC., a )  
California corporation, for a certi- )  
ficate of public convenience and )  
necessity to operate over and along )  
certain streets as extensions of )  
existing routes, and for authority )  
to abandon certain portions of )  
existing routes. )

Application No. 30804

O P I N I O N

By this application, as amended, applicant requests authority to make several route changes for the purpose of improving its service and increasing its revenue. Four routes are involved; the Compton-Bellflower Route (via East Olive Street); the Clearwater-Hollydale Route; the East Rosecrans-Richland Farms Route; and the Sears-Lynton Manor Route.

The City of Compton, the Pacific Electric Railway Company, and two civic and business groups in areas affected have considered applicant's proposals and they are not opposed to the application.

The present through service to Bellflower, along East Olive Street, will be discontinued, and this line will instead be rerouted to better serve a community situated east of the Los Angeles River and south of East Olive Street, by operating southerly along Old Atlantic Avenue to 72d Street and thence easterly to Orange Street. This route will also be improved by eliminating a four-block digression between Olive Street and Caldwell Street.

Service is to be discontinued along East Olive Street between Old Atlantic Avenue and Paramount Boulevard; however, the proposed extension to 72d Street will adequately serve patrons along East Olive Street as far east as Orange Street. Applicant's patronage along East Olive Street, between Orange Street and Paramount Boulevard, does not justify the continuation of this service. Applicant will continue to operate a line to Bellflower, via Compton Boulevard, which will require retention of part of the present route from the intersection of Paramount Boulevard & Jackson Street, thence along various named streets to Bellflower. Applicant has authority to consolidate said portion of the said route with its Compton Boulevard operation to the intersection of Compton Boulevard & Paramount Boulevard. The new route will connect with the Long Beach City Lines at Atlantic & 72d Street and at Orange Street & 72d Street. The change necessitates the granting of a certificate of public convenience and necessity for a portion of the proposed route.

The second proposed change involves a rerouting of applicant's Clearwater-Hollydale Route in the vicinity of Main Street, Gardendale Street, and Century Boulevard, and will result in more frequent schedules without inconveniencing any substantial number of present patrons. The Businessmen's Association in this area has approved the proposed change.

Another change is for the purpose of improving its service in the area north of Rosecrans Avenue, between Atlantic Boulevard and the Los Angeles River, by consolidating two of its present lines and increasing its schedules. The lines affected are the

present Sears-Lynton Manor Route and the East Rosecrans-Richard Farms Route. A loop operation will result which will bring about an improved over-all operation at the expense of very minor inconveniences for some patrons. This proposal also entails the abandonment of its present operation along Bradfield Avenue between Compton and Rosecrans Avenues. The Council of the City of Compton has considered this change and has expressed its belief that the residents of the area will be better served if the requested changes are put into effect.

A staff transportation engineer has reported favorably upon the proposals.

We have carefully considered applicant's proposals and, as it appears that the result will be an over-all improved service for a large majority of applicant's patrons, we find that public convenience and necessity require that this application be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

#### O R D E R

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

#### IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity be, and it hereby is, granted to Southern Cities Transit, Inc., a California corporation, authorizing the establishment and operation of service as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 2 1/4 of the Public Utilities Act, for the transportation of

persons between the intersection of Olive Street & Old Atlantic Avenue and the intersection of 72d Street & Orange Avenue, and intermediate points, as an extension to and enlargement of, and to be consolidated with, applicant's present operating rights.

(2) That in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, there shall be compliance with the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty (30) days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted.
- (b) Within sixty (60) days after the effective date hereof, and upon not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall 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 such at any time, Southern Cities Transit, Inc., shall conduct said passenger stage operation over and along the following described route:

Beginning at the intersection of Olive Street & Old Atlantic Avenue, thence along Old Atlantic Avenue, 72d Street, Orange Street, Motz Street, 73d Street, Hunsacker Avenue to its intersection with Old Atlantic Avenue.

Applicant is authorized to turn its 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.

(3) That the route description of the Compton-Bellflower Route appearing in paragraph (c), subparagraph (1), on page 13 of Decision No. 38741, on Application No. 27030, as amended in paragraph (3) of the order in Decision No. 41655, on Application

No. 29236, and as further amended in paragraph (4) of the order in Decision No. 43393, on Application No. 30606, be, and it hereby is, further amended to read as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of Compton Boulevard & Alameda Street, thence along Alameda Street, Laurel Street, Santa Fe Avenue, Olive Street, Old Atlantic Avenue, 72d Street, Orange Street, Motz Street, 73d Street, Hunsaker Avenue to its intersection with Old Atlantic Avenue.

Also, along Laurel Street between Willowbrook Avenue and Alameda Street.

Also, along Alameda Street between Gladys Street and Laurel Street.

Also, beginning at the intersection of Paramount Boulevard & Jackson Street, thence along Jackson Street, Downey Avenue, Flower Street, Virginia Drive, Mayne Avenue, Bellflower Boulevard to its intersection with Flower Street.

(4) That the route description appearing in Decision No. 33561, on Application No. 23668, as amended in paragraph (2) of the order in Decision No. 40130, on Application No. 28269, and paragraph (1) of the order in Decision No. 41230, on Application No. 28682, and as amended in paragraph (3) of the order in Decision No. 43393, on Application No. 30606, be, and it hereby is, further amended to read as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of Compton Boulevard & Tamarind Street, thence along Tamarind Street, Rosecrans Avenue, Bradfield Avenue, MacMillan Street, Bullis Road, Orlanda Street, Cookacre Street, Carlin Street, El Segundo Boulevard, Millrace Street, Clark Street, Edgebrook Avenue, MacMillan Street, Gibson Street, Rosecrans Avenue, Willowbrook Avenue, Palm Street, Tamarind Street to its intersection with Compton Boulevard.

(5) That the route description appearing in Part II, paragraph (2), subparagraph (c), as route "2. Clearwater-Hollydale Route", in Decision No. 38741, on Application No. 27030, as amended in paragraph (4) of the order in Decision No. 40130, on Application No. 28269, be, and it hereby is, further amended to read as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of Compton Boulevard & Garfield Avenue, thence along Garfield Avenue, Main Street to its intersection with Paramount Boulevard.

Also, along Century Boulevard between Garfield Avenue and Paramount Boulevard.

Also, along Paramount Boulevard between Main Street and Century Boulevard.

(6) That, except as herein authorized, Decisions Nos. 33561, 38741, 40130, 41230, 41655, and 43393, as heretofore amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

(7) That, at least five (5) days prior to the establishment of the changes in service hereinabove authorized, applicant shall post notice of the route changes at its terminals and in all of its buses.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1950.

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 COMMISSIONERS