

Decision No. 45260

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 ASBURY RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM, a)
 corporation, for authority to reroute,)
 extend, and abandon certain portions) Application No. 31793
 of its presently authorized common)
 carrier transportation service by)
 motor coach between Hollywood, on the)
 one hand, and Culver City, on the)
 other hand, and all intermediate points.)

O P I N I O N

Applicant requests authority to reroute that portion of its Culver City-Hollywood Line which operates through the Hollywood business district. The present route forms a large loop (along Highland Avenue, Hollywood Boulevard, Cahuenga Boulevard, and Sunset Boulevard) which is inconvenient and undesirable for the patrons and the company.

It is proposed to improve the operation by extending the route easterly along Hollywood Boulevard to Vine Street, and thence continuing along Vine Street and Sunset Boulevard to applicant's terminal. The outbound service will operate via Wilcox Avenue and Selma Avenue to Vine Street, from which intersection the outbound and inbound routes will be the same.

No change in fare or equipment is proposed and no material change in schedules will result.

The new route will eliminate the confusion and criticism which attend a large loop operation. The public will receive an

improved service in the Hollywood district by coverage of a larger area and the establishment of a two-way service on the same streets. At present, the patrons must use the same stops to board and leave the buses, causing unnecessary delay due to the front-door-only type of vehicle used. By the proposed operation, inbound passengers will be discharged on one side of the street and outbound passengers will board the bus on the opposite side.

Applicant anticipates higher revenues as a result of the proposed changes. No passengers will be carried having both origin and destination between the intersection of Hollywood Boulevard and Highland Avenue and the intersection of Vine Street and Selma Avenue, both points inclusive.

The proposed change has been approved by the Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of the City of Los Angeles and, as restricted, is not opposed by other carriers.

Having fully considered the matter, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that public convenience and necessity require that the new route be authorized. The application will be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

ORDER

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 applicant's Culver City-Hollywood route, as originally described in Decision No. 16949, on Application No. 12610,

and as amended by Decision No. 29408, on Application No. 20798, and by Decision No. 35542, on Application No. 24948, be, and it hereby is, further amended to read as follows:

Route from Culver City to Hollywood

Beginning at applicant's terminal in the City of Culver City (at or near the intersection of Motor Avenue and Washington Boulevard), thence along Washington Boulevard, National Boulevard, Robertson Boulevard, Wilshire Boulevard, Fairfax Avenue, Melrose Avenue, Highland Avenue, Hollywood Boulevard, Vine Street, Sunset Boulevard, to applicant's terminal at 6439 Sunset Boulevard.

Route from Hollywood to Culver City

Beginning at applicant's terminal on Sunset Boulevard in Hollywood, thence via private alley to Wilcox Avenue, thence along Wilcox Avenue, Selma Avenue to its intersection with Vine Street, thence to Culver City from the said intersection, via the reverse of the Culver City-to-Hollywood route hereinabove described.

(2) That applicant shall not carry any passengers along said route whose origin and destination are both between the intersection of Hollywood Boulevard and Highland Avenue, on the one hand, and the intersection of Vine Street and Selma Avenue, on the other hand, both points inclusive.

(3) That, except as heretofore and herein amended, said Decisions Nos. 16949, 29408, and 35542, shall remain in full force and effect.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 16th
day of January, 1951.

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COMMISSIONERS