

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 46522

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 certificate )  
 of public convenience and necessity for ) Application No. 32835  
 modification of operation of its )  
 Los Angeles-Sierra Madre Line in the )  
 vicinity of Sierra Madre. )

O P I N I O N

Under present authorization<sup>1/</sup> applicant's Los Angeles-Sierra Madre Line operates within the City of Sierra Madre in both directions over Kersting Court. By ordinance said city has provided that vehicular traffic will be allowed one way only along Kersting Court between Sierra Madre Boulevard and Baldwin Avenue, which will preclude the two-way use of said street in applicant's operation.

During recent months applicant's Los Angeles-Sierra Madre Line has been temporarily rerouted between the intersection of Sierra Madre Boulevard and Kersting Court and the end of the line at Highland Avenue and Mountain Trail Avenue so as to operate via Sierra Madre Boulevard and Mountain Trail Avenue in both directions in the manner as proposed in the present

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<sup>1/</sup> Decision No. 46471, dated November 27, 1951, in Application No. 32443.

application. The present temporary rerouting has been permitted due to street construction work in the City of Sierra Madre. Said city has requested that this rerouting be made its permanent route. This will eliminate a traffic hazard at the city's principal intersection of Sierra Madre Boulevard and Baldwin Avenue, where, according to the regular route, outbound coaches must make a left-hand turn.

In addition applicant alleges that the present regular operation westbound along Montecito Avenue between Mountain Trail Avenue and Baldwin Avenue has resulted in some difficulty in the free movement of coaches due to the narrowness of Montecito Avenue, especially when trucks serving various small industries located there are parked along said avenue. The route as modified will permit the use of motor coaches not exceeding 40 feet in length and not exceeding 102 inches in width. Authority to use such buses is requested. This request to use large buses was granted applicant by Decision No. 46222, dated September 25, 1951, in Application No. 32574.

An associate transportation engineer on the Commission staff has made an investigation of this application and of the area involved and has recommended that the application be granted by an ex parte order. No other passenger stage corporations operate in this area.

After careful consideration of this matter we are of the opinion that the request in this application is in the public interest and should be granted. A public hearing is not necessary.

O R D E R

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

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Appendix A to Decision No. 46471 be, and it hereby is, amended by changing the description of Route No. 67 appearing on page 14 of said appendix to read as follows:

Los Angeles-Sierra Madre Line Route No. 67:

From Main Street Station at 6th and Main Streets (Los Angeles) via Main Street, or as an alternate from Los Angeles Street Terminal (Los Angeles), via Los Angeles Street, 6th Street, San Pedro Street, Aliso Street, Mission Road, Huntington Drive, Main Street, Huntington Drive, Sierra Madre Boulevard and Mountain Trail Avenue to Highland Avenue, (Sierra Madre).

Return via Mountain Trail Avenue, Sierra Madre Boulevard, San Marino Avenue, Huntington Drive, Mission Road, Aliso Street, San Pedro Street, 5th Street and Maple Avenue to the Los Angeles Terminal.

(2) That applicant be, and it hereby is, authorized to discontinue and abandon service over and along Kersting Court, Baldwin Avenue, Highland Avenue, and Montecito Avenue between the intersection of Kersting Court and Sierra Madre Boulevard and the intersection of Highland Avenue and Mountain Trail Avenue.

(3) That, except as modified and amended hereby, Decision No. 46471 shall remain in full force and effect.

(4) That applicant is authorized to cancel all fares, rules, regulations and schedules applying to said service along the streets over which applicant is authorized to abandon service by ordering paragraph (2) herein.

(5) That applicant need not post notice of the changes herein authorized for the reason it has been so operating for several months.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 1951.

*[Signature]*  
 President

*Justin J. Quaresima*  
*Harold A. Kula*

*Samuel P. Pottel*  
*John E. Mitchell*  
 Commissioners