

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 49162

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 )  
re-route, extend and abandon )  
certain portions of its presently )  
authorized transportation common )  
carrier service between the City )  
of Los Angeles (Hollywood) on the )  
one hand, and the City of Burbank )  
on the other hand, i.e. to change )  
said service from Clybourn Avenue )  
to Pass Avenue. )

Application No. 34323

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applicant. Melvin E. Gaider, for the Department  
of Public Utilities and Transportation of the City  
of Los Angeles, and Alan G. Campbell, Assistant  
City Attorney, City of Los Angeles, interested  
parties.

O P I N I O N

Applicant herein, a California corporation conduct-  
ing a motor coach service as a passenger stage corporation  
between various points in the County of Los Angeles, presently  
operates a portion of its service between Hollywood and  
Burbank via the following route:

Commencing at the intersection of Olive  
Avenue and San Fernando Road in the City  
of Burbank; thence via Olive Avenue,  
First Street, Magnolia Boulevard, Holly-  
wood Way, Olive Avenue, Rowland Avenue,  
Clybourn Avenue, Riverside Drive,  
Cahuenga Boulevard, Lankershim Boulevard,  
Cahuenga Boulevard and Sunset Boulevard  
to applicant's terminal at 6439 Sunset  
Boulevard.

Authority is requested herein to abandon that portion of the above-described route between the intersection of Rowland Avenue and Pass Avenue, thence via Rowland Avenue and Clybourn Avenue to the intersection of Clybourn Avenue and Riverside Drive and to substitute therefor a route via Pass Avenue and Riverside Drive.

A public hearing was held in Los Angeles before Examiner Syphers on July 21, 1953, at which time evidence was adduced and the matter submitted. It is now ready for decision.

At the hearing the manager of applicant company presented the results of an on-and-off check made during the weeks of December 9, 1951, and April 12, 1953, which check indicates a slight diminution of traffic over the present route. It was testified that if the requested change is authorized, the new routing will be within two blocks of the present route and will provide a shorter route by about one-tenth of a mile. No change in fares or schedules is proposed. Various property owners in the district appeared in support of the application on the grounds that the present route via Clybourn Avenue is unsatisfactory and that the proposed route over Pass Avenue will provide a wider and better street for bus operations. Likewise, it was pointed out that there are very few people who live along the present route who ride the bus.

The Planning and Transportation Department of the City of Burbank has approved the proposed rerouting, as also

has the Board of Public Utilities and Transportation of the City of Los Angeles.

Notices of the proposed rerouting were posted in the buses operating on the line and also at the intersections but no one appeared in protest to this proposal.

After consideration of this record and all of the evidence adduced herein, we find it to be in the public interest to authorize the proposed abandonment and rerouting.

O R D E R

Application as above entitled having been filed, public hearing having been held thereon, the Commission being fully advised in the premises, and hereby finding it to be in the public interest,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That Asbury Rapid Transit System be, and it hereby is, authorized to abandon that portion of its passenger stage route between the intersection of Rowland Avenue and Pass Avenue and the intersection of Clybourn Avenue and Riverside Drive via Rowland Avenue and Clybourn Avenue, and to substitute therefor the following route:

Commencing at the intersection of Rowland Avenue and Pass Avenue, thence via Pass Avenue and Riverside Drive to the intersection of Clybourn Avenue and Riverside Drive,

said rerouting to become a part of applicant's existing routes.

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

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the authority herein granted.
- (b) Within sixty days after the effective date hereof, and upon not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file in triplicate and concurrently make effective tariffs and time schedules satisfactory to the Commission.

(3) That applicant shall give not less than five days' notice of the route changes by posting plainly visible notices at terminals of said lines and on all buses used in the operation of said services.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1953.

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President  
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Commissioners

Commissioner Harold P. Huls, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.