

**ORIGINAL**Decision No. 55272

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 reverse )  
 the direction of the terminal loop of )  
 its Line 20 - Victory Boulevard - in )  
 the vicinity of North Hollywood. )

Application No. 39060

O P I N I O N

Asbury Rapid Transit System is a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, engaged in the operation of motor coach passenger service in Los Angeles County. In this application authority is requested to reverse the direction of the terminal loop of its Line 20 - Victory Boulevard - in the vicinity of North Hollywood. Specifically, the applicant seeks authorization to reverse the direction of its motor coach service on the above line around the terminal loop so as to operate via Victory Boulevard, Whitsett Avenue, Oxnard Street and Laurel Canyon Boulevard to Victory Boulevard, instead of the present route via Laurel Canyon Boulevard, Oxnard Street, Whitsett Avenue and Victory Boulevard to Laurel Canyon Boulevard.

As justification for reversing the terminal loop operation, the applicant states that at the present time its motor coaches make a near side stop on Whitsett Avenue before making a right turn into Victory Boulevard. Most of Victory Boulevard has been widened except the southeast quadrant of the intersection where the right turn is made. Applicant claims that this fact results in a right turning motor coach crossing the center line of the street, swinging head-on into opposing vehicular traffic. Applicant further declares that in addition to this dangerous situation, its motor coaches, on

occasion, block half of the street while waiting for an opportunity to complete the turn. The change in direction of operation on the loop, it is stated, should not inconvenience passengers as the schedule allows only a two-minute recovery period. Thus the operation around the loop is nearly continuous.

No change in rates, fares, time schedules or equipment operated is proposed and it does not appear that a public hearing is necessary. After full consideration of applicant's request the Commission finds that public convenience and necessity require the reversal of the terminal loop operation as proposed. The application will be granted.

O R D E R

An application therefor having been filed, the Commission being fully informed therein, and it having been found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED that First Revised Page 7, attached hereto, and by reference made a part hereof, is hereby substituted for Original Page 7 of Appendix A attached to Decision No. 54383 in Application No. 38471.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1957.

Paul J. [unclear] President  
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R. [unclear]  
[unclear] Commissioners

LINE 20 - VICTORY BOULEVARD

From San Fernando Road and Olive Avenue (Burbank);  
thence via San Fernando Road, Burbank Boulevard,  
Victory Boulevard, Whitsett Avenue, Oxnard Street  
and Laurel Canyon Boulevard to Victory Boulevard.

Return via Victory Boulevard, Burbank Boulevard  
and San Fernando Road to Olive Avenue.

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

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