

ORIGINALDecision No. 55747

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the application of)
 The City of Los Angeles, a municipal)
 corporation, for an order determining)
 that the public pedestrian grade cross-)
 ings of Club View Drive and Thayer)
 Avenue over the Santa Monica Line of)
 the Pacific Electric Railway Company)
 shall be public pedestrian crossings)
 in behalf of The City of Los Angeles,)
 and for an order establishing public)
 pedestrian grade crossings of the)
 said railroad at Heath Avenue, Warnall)
 Avenue and Westholme Avenue.)

Application No. 38398

O P I N I O N

The above-numbered application of the City of Los Angeles requests an order of this Commission declaring that previously authorized and existing pedestrian crossings at grade over the Santa Monica Line of Pacific Electric Railway Company at Club View Drive (Crossing No. 6S-11.32-D) and at Thayer Avenue (Crossing No. 6S-11.86-D) be considered crossings in behalf of the City of Los Angeles; and further that existing pedestrian crossings at Heath Avenue, Warnall Avenue, and Westholme Avenue at grade over the same line be authorized as public pedestrian grade crossings.

All five of the above-named crossings were established originally for the convenience of Pacific Electric Railway Company's passengers when that company operated rail passenger service on its Santa Monica Line, but only the crossings at Club View Drive and Thayer Avenue have been established formally as public crossings. Since Pacific Electric Railway Company no longer operates passenger service, it has informed the City of Los Angeles that it does not intend to maintain these crossings indefinitely and the City of Los Angeles has indicated its willingness to improve and continue such crossings.

Pacific Electric Railway Company has no objection to the granting of this application in so far as it concerns pedestrian crossings at Club View Drive, Thayer Avenue, Warnall Avenue, and Westholme Avenue, but it is opposed to the continuance of the unauthorized pedestrian crossing at Heath Avenue. The reason advanced by the railway for this position is that Metropolitan Coach Lines, successor to Pacific Electric Railway Company in the operation of passenger service, has moved its passenger stop 230 feet westerly from Heath Avenue to Moreno Drive. Due to the controversy involving the proposed authorization of the public pedestrian crossing at Heath Avenue, such crossing will not be authorized by this order.

The City of Los Angeles proposes to improve the crossings in the manner shown in the application.

O R D E R

The following existing authorized pedestrian crossings at grade over the Santa Monica Line of Pacific Electric Railway Company are declared to be crossings in behalf of the City of Los Angeles:

<u>Crossing Name</u>	<u>Crossing Number</u>
Club View Drive	6S-11.32-D
Thayer Avenue	6S-11.86-D

The following existing pedestrian crossings at grade over the Santa Monica Line of Pacific Electric Railway Company are authorized as public pedestrian grade crossings:

<u>Crossing Name</u>	<u>Crossing Number</u>
Warnall Avenue	6S-11.46-D
Westholme Avenue	6S-12.06-D

The above-named crossings shall be established at locations described in the application and identified by numbers shown above. Proposed improvements to the crossings authorized herein

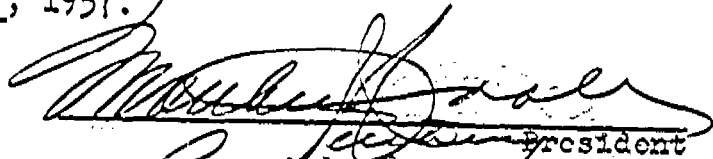
shall be as described in the application and of a maximum width of ten feet. Construction cost, as well as maintenance of the crossings outside of lines two feet outside of rails, shall be borne by applicant. Pacific Electric Railway Company shall bear maintenance cost between such lines. Applicant shall erect barrier posts and suitable signs at either end of these four crossings, to effectively prevent use by motor vehicles.

The request of the City of Los Angeles with respect to establishment of public pedestrian crossing at Heath Avenue is hereby denied without prejudice.

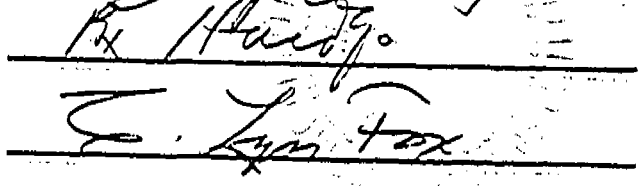
Within thirty days after completion pursuant to this order, applicant shall so advise the Commission in writing. This authorization shall expire if not exercised within one year, unless time be extended, or if above conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity, or safety so require.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 28th day of October, 1957.



President



Commissioners