

ORIGINALDecision No. 58641

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
 SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY for authority)
 to discontinue agency at Los Altos,) Application No. 39663
 County of Santa Clara, State of Cali-)
 fornia, and to maintain said station)
 as a nonagency.)

Randolph Karr and Harold S. Lentz, for applicant.
Anthony A. Lagorio and John Hope, for the City
 of Los Altos, interested party.
Thomas D. Quinn, for the Los Altos Chamber of
 Commerce and Los Altos Downtown Business Asso-
 ciation; I. S. Wilson, for The Order of Rail-
 road Telegraphers; protestants.

O P I N I O N

By this application filed December 23, 1957, Southern Pacific Company requests authority to discontinue the agency at Los Altos, and to maintain said station as a Class "A" nonagency station.

Public hearings were held in Los Altos on February 20, on March 25 and 26, and on April 10, 1958, before Examiner Rowe. Evidence both oral and documentary was adduced and on April 10, 1958 the matter was submitted for decision.

Due notice of the application and of the hearings was given the public. From the evidence produced by applicant it appears that the average time required by the Los Altos agent to perform his functions which are proposed to be transferred to the Mountain View agency is approximately two hours per day. This work can be transferred to the Mountain View agency without increasing the personnel at the latter station and without overburdening the employees working there. Considering all of the evidence of record the Commission finds that transferring such functions will not

adversely affect service to shippers and receivers of freight in the Los Altos area to a substantial degree. Nor will the change adversely affect service to commuters and other passengers. By closing this agency applicant will effect an annual saving of approximately \$5,500. The Commission finds that public convenience and necessity no longer require the maintenance of agency service by applicant at Los Altos.

O R D E R

Public hearings having been held and the matter being submitted,

IT IS ORDERED that Southern Pacific Company is authorized to discontinue its agency at Los Altos, Santa Clara County, subject to the following conditions:

- a. Southern Pacific Company shall continue to maintain said station in a nonagency status.
- b. Within ninety days after the effective date hereof and on not less than ten days' notice to the Commission and to the public, applicant shall post a notice of such discontinuance at the station, shall file in duplicate amendments to its tariffs showing the changes authorized herein, and shall make reference in such notice and tariffs to this decision as authority for the change.
- c. Within thirty days after discontinuance of service as herein authorized, applicant shall notify this Commission thereof and of compliance with the above conditions.

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

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 6th day of May, 1958.

Paul J. Mitchell President
William D. Davis
Theodore J. Jenner

Commissioners

Peter E. Mitchell

C. Lynn Fox

-2- Commissioners being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.