

ORIGINALDecision No. 68692

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of the Application of the)
 CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS to Construct)
 a City Street Across the Right of Way)
 of the Pacific Electric Railway Company)
 at Bloomfield Street.)

Application No. 46954

SUPPLEMENTAL OPINION AND ORDER

By Decision No. 68125 in this proceeding, the Commission on October 27, 1964, authorized the City of Los Alamitos to construct Bloomfield Street at grade across two spur tracks of the Stanton-Huntington Beach Branch of the Pacific Electric Railway Company, to be identified as Crossing No. 6NC-28.66-C in the City of Los Alamitos, County of Orange.

The order provided that the crossing be constructed in accordance with plans attached to the application and that the crossing be protected by two Standard No. 8 flashing light signals (General Order No. 75-B).

On November 23, 1964, applicant City of Los Alamitos filed a petition for modification of the above order, requesting authority to construct and open the crossing to traffic prior to the installation of the automatic crossing protection. Applicant alleges that said signals cannot be installed until approximately April 1965, and in lieu thereof proposes the temporary installation of two Standard No. 1 reflectorized crossing signs. Applicant further proposes that during the interim period trains shall stop at the crossing and movements over the crossing shall be flagged by a member of the train crew.

An inspection at the site of the proposed crossing has been made by a transportation engineer of the Commission's staff and his report, dated January 15, 1965, will be received in evidence herein as Exhibit No. 1. He concludes in the report that the crossing should not be opened to traffic without the installation of the flashing light signals because of the nature and volume of train movements at the crossing, and that no hardship would be created if the crossing were not opened until April 1965.

It is found that there is insufficient justification to permit the opening of the crossing prior to the installation of the automatic crossing protection.

The petition for modification of the Commission order in Decision No. 68125 is hereby denied, and the crossing shall not be opened to vehicular traffic until such time as the two Standard No. 8 flashing light signals are installed. In all respects Decision No. 68125 is in full force and effect.

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

Dated at Los Angeles, California, this 2nd day
of MARCH, 1965.

Friedrich B. H. Hoffmann
President
George H. Grover
Commissioners
William W. Bennett