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Decision No. 72929

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application)
of EASTERN CITIES TRANSIT, INC.)
for authority to operate over)
and along certain streets as)
extensions of existing routes.)

Application No. 49486
(Filed June 16, 1967)
(Amended July 10, 1967)

O P I N I O N

Eastern Cities Transit, Inc. is a passenger stage corporation presently transporting passengers generally in the East Los Angeles area, pursuant to certificates of public convenience and necessity granted in Decision No. 69887, dated November 2, 1965, and Decision No. 70122, dated December 21, 1965.

Applicant seeks authority to extend its existing service on a temporary basis to points in the City of Commerce. The proposal is to provide 30-minute service beginning at 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. each weekday, Monday through Friday. There would be no service Saturdays, Sundays or holidays. Proposed fare is 15 cents for both adults and children, with no transfer privileges.

The company was requested to initiate this temporary service by the Transportation-Employment Project as a part of its program to increase public transportation for residents of a disadvantaged area on the assumption that this would work an improvement for employment opportunities.

The proposed line will connect the Belvedere (East Los Angeles) residential section with an industrialized area in the City of Commerce.

The Transportation-Employment Project proposes to allocate \$50,000 for a test period operation which will expire on June 28, 1968, or at such time as the monies allocated are expended. Applicant requests authority to operate the service sought until such time as the contract with the Transportation Agency expires and is not renewed. It is expected that the service will be in operation at least until June 28, 1968.

Applicant proposes that the rates, rules and regulations over the proposed extensions and modifications will be the same as set forth in applicant's current Cal. P.U.C. Tariff No. 15, which is now on file with the Commission.

Letters have been received from the Southern California Rapid Transit District and the City of Montebello. The Transit District advises that it has no objection to the application. The City of Montebello neither endorses nor objects to the bus line extension. The Commission staff has reviewed the application, is of the opinion that the proposed changes are in the public interest, and has recommended that a certificate be issued. No protests have been received.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Commission finds as follows:

1. Applicant possesses the experience, equipment, personnel and financial resources necessary to institute and maintain the proposed service.
2. Public convenience and necessity require that the application be granted as set forth in the ensuing order.

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A public hearing is not necessary.

The Transportation-Employment Project wishes to have this service as soon as possible, therefore this order shall be made effective immediately.

Applicant is hereby placed on notice that operative rights, as such, do not constitute a class of property which may be capitalized or used as an element of value in rate fixing for any amount of money in excess of that originally paid to the State as the consideration for the grant of such rights. Aside from their purely permissive aspect, such rights extend to the holder a full or partial monopoly of a class of business over a particular route. This monopoly feature may be modified or canceled at any time by the State, which is not in any respect limited as to the number of rights which may be given.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Eastern Cities Transit, Inc., a corporation, authorizing it to operate as a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of passengers between the points and over the routes particularly set forth in Second Revised Page 4, Appendix A, attached hereto, as an extension and enlargement of and subject to all the limitations and restrictions set forth in the certificate granted by Decision No. 69887, and hereby made a part hereof.

2. Appendix A of Decision No. 69887, as heretofore amended, is further amended by incorporating therein Second Revised Page 4 in revision of First Revised Page 4.

3. In providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted, applicant shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted. By accepting the certificate of public convenience and necessity herein granted, applicant is placed on notice that it will be required, among other things, to file annual reports of its operations and to comply with and observe the safety rules of the California Highway Patrol, the rules and other regulations of the Commission's General Order No. 98-A and insurance requirements of the Commission's General Order No. 101-B. Failure to file such reports, in such form and at such time as the Commission may direct, or to comply with and observe the safety rules, or the provisions of General Orders Nos. 98-A or 101-B, may result in a cancellation of the operating authority granted by this decision.
- (b) Within one hundred twenty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file tariffs and timetables, in triplicate, in the Commission's office.
- (c) The tariff and timetable filings shall be made effective not earlier than two days after the effective date of this order on not less than two days' notice to the Commission and the public, and the effective date of the tariff and timetable filings shall be concurrent with the establishment of the service herein authorized.
- (d) The tariff and timetable filings made pursuant to this order shall comply with the regulations governing the construction and filing of tariffs and timetables set forth in the Commission's General Orders Nos. 79 and 98-A.
- (e) Applicant shall maintain its accounting records on a calendar year basis in conformance with the applicable Uniform System of Accounts or Chart of Accounts as prescribed or adopted by this Commission and shall file with the Commission, on or before March 31 of each year, an annual report of its operations in such form, content, and number of copies as the Commission, from time to time, shall prescribe.

EASTERN CITIES TRANSIT, INC.
(a corporation)

Appendix A
(Decision No. 69887)

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SECTION 2. ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS (Continued)

FORD BOULEVARD ROUTE

From the intersection of Kern Avenue and Hubbard Street, thence along Kern Avenue, Whittier Boulevard, Ford Boulevard, Third Street, Eastern Avenue, Michigan Avenue, Sunol Drive, Third Street, Gage Avenue and First Street to Rowan Avenue.

Return via Rowan Avenue and Third Street to Gage Avenue, thence the reverse of the going route to the intersection of Whittier Boulevard and McDonnell Avenue, thence along McDonnell Avenue and Hubbard Street to Kern Avenue.

*CITY OF COMMERCE ROUTE

Commencing at the intersection of Whittier Boulevard and Kern Avenue, thence along Whittier Boulevard, Ferris Avenue, Telegraph Road, Ferguson Drive, Garfield Avenue, Malt Avenue, Telegraph Road, Garfield Avenue, Slauson Avenue, Eastern Avenue, Bandini Boulevard, Garfield Boulevard and return the reverse of the going route.

Issued by California Public Utilities Commission.

*Added by Decision No. 72929, Application No. 49486.