

Decision No. 78964

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the CITY OF BELMONT }
 for an order authorizing construction }
 of a crossing at separated grades }
 between Ralston Avenue and the track }
 of the Southern Pacific Transportation }
 Company existing crossing No. E 22.0 }
 at the Southern Pacific Railroad. }

Application No. 52299
 (Filed November 16, 1970)
 (Amended December 23, 1970
 and May 28, 1971)

ORDER

The City of Belmont is hereby authorized to construct a crossing at separated grades of Ralston Avenue over the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company, in Belmont, San Mateo County, at the location and substantially as shown by plans (Exhibit A) attached to the application as amended, to be identified as Crossing No. E-21.97-A. Construction and maintenance expense shall be borne in accordance with an agreement to be entered into between the parties relative thereto, and copy of said agreement, together with plans of said crossing approved by the Southern Pacific Transportation Company, shall be filed with the Commission prior to commencing construction. Should the parties fail to agree, the Commission will apportion the cost of construction and maintenance by further order.

Clearances shall be in accordance with General Order No. 26-D except that during the period of construction a clearance of not less than 21'- 6" above top of rail is authorized and the Southern Pacific Transportation Company is authorized to operate with such reduced overhead clearances provided that instructions are issued by the railroad and filed with the Commission forbidding employees to ride on tops of cars. The applicant shall notify the Commission and the Southern Pacific Transportation Company at least fifteen days but not more than thirty days in advance of the date when the temporary impaired clearance will be created.

Walkway areas adjacent to the tracks shall be maintained free of obstructions and shall promptly be restored to their original condition in the event of damage during construction.

The existing grade crossing at Ralston Avenue, Crossing No. E-22.0, will be closed and barricaded upon completion of the grade separation.

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 three years unless time be extended or if conditions are not complied with. The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 27th day of JULY, 1971.

William J. ... Chairman
[Signature]
Vernon L. Sturgeon

Commissioners

Commissioner J. P. Vukasin, Jr., being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.

Commissioner D. W. Hoines, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.