Decision No. 79772

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, to widen) and improve the Wilbur Avenue) grade crossing of the Southern) Pacific Transportation Company's) Burbank Branch Line at Topham) Street (Crossing No. BY-452.9).)

Application No. 53061 (Filed December 20, 1971)

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<u>ORDER</u>

The City of Los Angeles is hereby authorized to widen and improve Wilbur Avenue at grade across the Southern Pacific Transportation Company's Burbank branch line track in the City of Los Angeles in the County of Los Angeles at the location and substantially as shown by plans (Exhibit A) attached to the application, identified as Crossing No. BY-452.9.

Width of crossing shall be not less than 76 feet and grades of approach not greater than five percent. Construction shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 of General Order No. 72.

Clearances, including any curbs, shall conform to General Order No. 26-D. Walkways shall conform to General Order No. 118 in that the transition slope between walkways required under General Order No. 118 and top of roadway shall provide a reasonable regular surface with gradual slope not to exceed 1" vertical to 8" horizontal in all directions of approach.

Protection shall be four Standard No. 8 flashing light signals (General Order No. 75-B) augmented with automatic gate arms.

The widened portion of the crossing shall not be opened to public use until the protection ordered herein is installed and operative. No obstruction shall remain or be placed near the crossing which will impair the motorists' view of the signals.

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Construction cost of the widened portion of the crossing shall be borne by the applicant. Installation cost of the automatic crossing protection shall be divided equally between the applicant and the railroad.

Maintenance expense of the crossing outside of lines two feet outside of rails shall be borne by the applicant. Southern Pacific Transportation Company shall bear maintenance expense of the crossing between such lines. Maintenance expense of the automatic protection shall be divided equally between the applicant and the railroad, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1202.2 of the Public Utilities Code.

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 two years unless the time be extended or if 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.

California, this g Dated at San Francisco FEBRUARY day of 1972. Chairman Commissioners

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Commissioner Themas Moran, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.