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Decision No. 84083

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of
THE CITY OF PORT HUENEME, for authority
to construct a crossing at grade at the
intersection of the proposed Surfside
Drive and the tracks of the Ventura
County Railway Company. }

Application No. 55038
(Filed July 16, 1974)

O P I N I O N

The City of Port Hueneme requests authority to construct Surfside Drive at grade across the track of the Ventura County Railway Company in the City of Port Hueneme, Ventura County.

The City of Port Hueneme is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, and on December 17, 1974, adopted a Negative Declaration.

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on July 18, 1974. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

F I N D I N G S

After consideration, the Commission finds that:

1. The City of Port Hueneme should be authorized to construct Surfside Drive at grade across the Ventura County Railway Company's track in the City of Port Hueneme, Ventura County, at the location and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application.
2. Cost of constructing the crossing and automatic protection should be borne by the applicant.
3. Maintenance cost of the crossing should conform to General Order No. 72-B. Maintenance cost of the automatic protection should be borne by the applicant.

4. The Commission has considered the city's Negative Declaration in rendering its decision on this project. The Commission accepts said Negative Declaration and finds that the environmental impact of this proposed action is not significant.

5. Dimensions, configurations, clearances and walkways should be substantially in accordance with the plans set forth in the application and should comply with applicable rules and general orders of the Commission.

C O N C L U S I O N S

On the basis of the foregoing findings, we conclude that the application should be granted as set forth in the following order:

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The City of Port Hueneme is authorized to construct Surfside Drive at grade across the track of the Ventura County Railway Company in the City of Port Hueneme, Ventura County at the location and substantially as shown by plans attached to the application, identified as Crossing No. 45-5.17.

2. Protection at the crossing shall be two Standard No. 9A signals and two Standard No. 9 signals mounted on median islands (General Order No. 75-C).

3. Construction of the crossing shall be equal or superior to Standard No. 2 (General Order No. 72-B).

4. Width of the crossing shall be not less than 84 feet and grades of approach not greater than two percent.

5. Clearances shall conform to General Order No. 26-D. Walkways shall conform to General Order No. 118.

6. Construction expense of the crossing and installation costs of the automatic protection shall be borne by the applicant.

7. Maintenance of the crossing shall be in accordance with General Order No. 72-B. Maintenance cost of the automatic protection shall be borne by the applicant pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 1202.2.

8. 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 time be extended or if the above conditions are not complied with. This 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.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 11th
day of FEBRUARY, 1975.

Vernon L. Sturgeon
President

William J. Lyons

John J. Lyons

Leonard Ross
Commissioners