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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF INDUSTRY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PROPOSED GRADE SEPARATION OF GRAND AVENUE OVER THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRANSPORTATION COMPANY RIGHT OF WAY, IN THE CITY OF INDUSTRY.

Application 88-03-035 (Filed March 16, 1988)

OPINION

The City of Industry (City) requests authority to construct Grand Avenue at separated grades over the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company's (SPT) El Paso Main Line, in City of Industry, Los Angeles County.

The proposed railroad-highway grade separation project is an integral element in the City of Industry's Master Plan of Major Highways Improvement Program. Grand Avenue when completed will be one of the most important north-south arterials in the City as it connects an interchange of the San Bernardino Freeway Interstate Route 10 (I-10) with an interchange at the Pomona Freeway State Route 60 (SR-60). The project will also reduce traffic volume and congestion on both Brea Canyon Road and Temple Avenue and provide additional access to the City.

City is the lead agency for this project under California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA), as amended, Public Resources (PR) Code Sections 21000, et seq. City prepared an Initial Study and issued a Negative Declaration. On January 16, 1988, City filed a Notice of Determination with the County Clerk which found that "the project will not have a significant effect on the environment."

The Commission is a responsible agency for this project under CEQA and has reviewed and considered the lead agency's Initial Study and Negative Declaration

The Commission's Traffic Engineering staff has reviewed the plans for the proposed Grand Avenue Overcrossing grade separation structure and has also made a field inspection of the proposed bridge construction site and recommends that City's request be granted.

The application was found to be in compliance under the Commission's filing requirements, including Rule 38 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure which relates to the construction of public highways across railroads. Detailed drawings of the overcrossing are shown in Appendix.A.

Notice of the Application was published in the Commission's Daily calendar on March 23, 1988. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

Findings of Fact

- 1. City requests authority under Public Utilities Code Sections 1201-1205 to construct Grand Avenue at separated grades over the tracks of SPT's El Paso Main Line, in City of Industry, Los Angeles County.
- 2. Construction of Grand Avenue Overcrossing is required to reduce traffic delay and congestion at adjacent Brea Canyon Road and Temple Avenue.
- 3. Public convenience, necessity and safety require construction of the proposed grade separation.
- 4. City is the lead agency for this project under CEQA, as amended.
- 5. The Commission is a responsible agency for this project and has reviewed and considered the lead agency's Initial Study and Negative Declaration.
- 6. This project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Conclusion of Law

1. The application should be granted as set forth in the following order.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The City of Industry (City), is authorized to construct Grand Avenue Overcrossing at separated grades over the tracks of Southern Pacific Transportation Company's (SPT) El Paso Main Line in City of Industry, Los Angeles County, at the location and substantially as shown by plans attached to this order, to be identified as crossing B-508.8-A.
- 2. Clearances shall be in accordance with General Order (GO) 26-D. Walkways shall conform to GO 118.
- 3. Construction and maintenance costs shall be borne in accordance with an agreement to be entered into between the parties. A copy of the agreement, together with plans approved by SPT, shall be filed with the Commission prior to commencing construction. Should the parties fail to agree, the Commission will apportion the costs of construction and maintenance by further order.
- 4. Within 30 days after completion of the work under this order, City shall notify the Commission in writing that the authorized work has been completed.
- 5. This authorization shall expire if not exercised within three years unless time is extended or if the above conditions are not complied with. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity or safety so require.

6. The application is granted as set forth above. This order becomes effective 30 days from today. Dated AUG 10 1988 at San Francisco, California.

STANLEY W. HULETT
President
DONALD VIAL
FREDERICK R. DUDA
G. MITCHELL WILK
JOHN B. OHANIAN
Commissioners

I CERTIFY THAT THIS DECISION WAS APPROVED BY THE ABOVE COMMISSIONERS TODAY.

Victor Weisser, Executive Director

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