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Decision No.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application or The Board of Port Commissioners, Port of Redwood City, acting for and in behalf of the City of Redwood City relocate Himman Road and construct access ingress and egress across the right-of-way of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company on Harbor Boulevard

Application No. 58696 (Filed February 22, 1979)

OPINION

The Board of Port Commissioners, Port of Redwood City, acting for and in behalf of the City of Redwood City, requests authority to relocate Hinman Road at grade across Southern Pacific Transportation Company's tracks in the Fort of Redwood City, City of Redwood City, San Mateo County.

The Port of Redwood City is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Act of 1970, as amended. Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et sec.

After preparation and review of an Initial Study, the Port of Redwood City issued a Negative Declaration and approved the project. On June 28, 1979, a Notice of Determination was filed with the San Mateo 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 independently evaluated and assessed the lead agency's Initial Study and Negative Declaration. The site of the proposed project has also been inspected by the Commission staff.

Relocation of Hinman Road and the grade crossing, 340 feet to the west, will provide improved access from Harbor Boulevard to the facilities of the Port of Redwood City. The interior Port circulation pattern will also be improved. The existing Hinman Road crossing will be closed upon completion of the project. The project site is in an area under control of the Board of Port Commissioners of the Port of Redwood City. The land is used for commerce, shipping, and navigational purposes only. Rail service is presently provided to the port area by the Southern Pacific Transportation Company over its Redwood Harbor Spur-

Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on February 23, 1979. No protests have been received. A public hearing is not necessary.

FINDINGS

After consideration, the Commission finds:

- 1. Applicant should be authorized to relocate Hinman Road at grade across Southern Pacific Transportation Company's tracks 340 feet west of its present location in the Port of Redwood City, City of Redwood City, San Mateo County, at the location and substantially as shown by the plans attached to the application, to be identified as Crossing EA-28.64-C.
- 2. Construction of the crossing should be equal or superior to Standard No. 1 of General Order 72-B.
- 3. Clearances should conform to General Order 26-D. Walkways should conform to General Order 118.
- 4. Protection at the relocated crossing should be one Standard No. 8-A automatic flashing light signal with cantilever and two Standard No. 8 automatic flashing light signals (General Order: 75-C).
- 5. Construction expense of the crossing and installation cost of the automatic protection should be borne by the applicant.
- 6. Maintenance of the crossing should be in accordance with General Order 72-B. Maintenance cost of the automatic protection should be shared equally by applicant and the railroad pursuant to the provisions of Section 1202.2 of the Public Utilities Code.
- 7. After completion of the relocated crsssing and its opening to vehicular traffic, the existing Hinman Road crossing, Crossing EA-28.7-C, should be abandoned and physically removed.
- 8. Construction plans of the crossing, approved by the Southern Pacific Transportation Company, together with a copy of the agreement entered into between the parties involved, should be filed with the Commission prior to commencing construction.
- 9. Applicant is the lead agency for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended.

- 10. The Commission is a responsible agency for this project and has independently evaluated and assessed the lead agency's Initial Study and Negative Declaration.
- 11. This project will have no significant impact on the environment.

CONCLUSION

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

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The City of Redwood City is authorized to relocate Hinman Road at grade across the tracks of the Southern Pacific Transportation Company in the Port of Redwood City, City of Redwood City, San Mateo County, as set forth in the findings of this decision.
- 2. 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. Authorization may be revoked or modified if public convenience, necessity or safety so require.

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Dated JAN 29 1986, at San Francisco, California.

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Commissioner Claire T. Dedrick, being necessarily absent, did not participate in the disposition of this proceeding.