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Decision No.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of Richard E. Parks, dba Parkway Stage for authority to increase fares for the transportation of passengers on regular scheduled routes in the cities of Vacaville,) Fairfield, Vallejo, Pinole and Napa under original Application No. 58170, Decision No. 89890, dated January 16, 1979, and Application No. 58170, dated June 26, 1978, Amended November 13, 1978, and PSC 1059, and Application No. 59121, Decision No. 91297, dated August 27, 1979, and Application No. 59436, Decision No. 91413, dated April 14, 1980.

Application No. 59892 (Filed August 19, 1980)

OPINION

Richard E. Parks, an individual, doing business as Parkway Stage, is operating as a passenger stage corporation (PSC-1059) in home-to-work service between Vacaville, Fairfield, Vallejo, Pinole and Napa, on the one hand, and the United Airlines Maintenance Base at the San Francisco International Airport, on the other hand.

By this application Richard E. Parks seeks to increase his passenger fares by approximately 21 percent.

The present fares were originally established by Decision No. 91297 in Application No. 59121, dated Feb. 20, 1980.

Applicant alleges that additional revenue is required because of increased cost in all phases of operation, including fuel, insurance, labor and maintenance.

The staff of the Transportation Division has made an engineering economics analysis of applicant's operations and submitted a report on the estimated results of operations based on the future year ending December 31, 1981 under present and proposed fares, which is summarized as follows:

| <u>Item</u> | Present Fares | Proposed Fares |
|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Revenue | \$126,900 | \$147,750 |
| Expenses | 125,100 | 125,100 |
| Operating Income | 1,800 | 22,650 |
| Income Tax | 450 | 5,660 |
| Net Income | 1,350 | 16,990 |
| Operating Ratio | 99% | 89% |

The report is hereby received as Exhibit 1. The results of operations show that with the proposed 21 percent increase, the operating ratio of the passenger stage service would be 89 percent with a net income of \$16,990.

In accordance with Sections 730.3 and 730.5 of the Public Utilities Code, public agencies operating or planning public transit systems were notified and asked for comments regarding the proposed rate increases. No replies were received.

Notice of filing of this application appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar of August 22, 1980. No protests have been received.

Findings of Fact

- 1. The requested fare increase of approximately 21 percent would result in an additional annual revenue of \$20,850.
- 2. Applicant's operating costs have increased in almost all expense categories.
 - 3. The proposed fair increase is justified.

Conclusions of Law

- 1. The proposed fare increase is just and reasonable.
- 2. A public hearing is unnecessary, and since there is not demonstrated need for rate relief the following order should be effective the date of signature.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Richard E. Parks, doing business as Parkway Stage, is authorized to establish the increased fares proposed in Application No. 59892. Tariff publications authorized to be made as a result of this order shall be filed not earlier than the effective date of this order and may be made effective not earlier than five days after the effective date of this order on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and to the public.
- 2. The authority shall expire unless exercised within ninety days after the effective date of this order.

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3. In addition to the required postings and filing of tariffs, applicant shall give notice to the public by posting in his buses and terminals, a printed explanation of his fares. Such notice shall be posted not less than five days before the effective date of the fare changes and shall remain posted for a period of not less than thirty days.

| The | effective | | | | order | 15 | the | date | nereoi. |
|-------------|-----------|-----|---|------|-------|----|-----|-------|---------|
| Date | ed | APR | 7 | 1987 | | at | San | Franc | cisco, |
| California. | | | | | | | | | |

Application A59892 Exhibit No. 1 Witness: T. Enderle December 31, 1980

RICHARD E. PARKS Doing Business As PARKWAY STAGE

ESTIMATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR PASSENGER STAGE SERVICE FOR TEST YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1981

| : | : | : | | : RESULTS OF OPERATIONS | | | | |
|-------|--------------|-------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------|------------------|--|--|
| : | • | : | | : | Test Year | | | |
| : | : : Item o | | tem or Account | : 1979 | | 31, 1981 | | |
| :Line | : Reference | : No. | : Description | :Present Fare: | :Present Fare: | :Proposed Fares: | | |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | | |
| 1 | | | Bus Miles | 162,600 | 162,600 | 162,600 | | |
| | | | Revenue | | | | | |
| 2 | | 3200 | Passenger PSC | \$ 96,900 | \$ 96,900 | \$117,750 | | |
| 3 | | 3900 | Other (Lease) | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | | |
| 4 | 12+13 | | Total Revenue | \$126,900 | \$126,900 | \$147,750 | | |
| | | | Expenses | | | | | |
| 5 | | 4100 | Maintenance | \$ 26,000 | \$ 30,000 | \$ 30,000 | | |
| 6 | | 4220 | Driver Wages | 26,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | | |
| 7 | | 4230 | Fuel | 18,600 | 26,000 | 26,000 | | |
| 8 | | 4240 | 011 | 2,500 | 4,000 | 4,000 | | |
| 9 | | 4500 | Insurance | 6,000 | 9,000 | 9,000 | | |
| 10 | | 4600 | Administration | 8,100 | 15,700 | 15,700 | | |
| 11 | | 5000 | Depreciation | 3,900 | 3,900 | 3,900 | | |
| 12 | | 5200 | Taxi and License | 4,500 | 5,900 | 5,900 | | |
| 13 | | 5300 | Rents | 300 | 600 | 600 | | |
| 14 | IA through | L12 | Total Expenses | \$ 95,900 | \$125,100 | \$125,100 | | |
| 15 | | | Net Income befor | :e | | | | |
| | | | Income tax | \$ 31,000 | \$ 1,800 | \$ 22,650 | | |
| 16 | | 8000 | Income tax | \$ 7,750 | \$ 450 | \$ 5,660 | | |
| 17 | | | Net Income after | | | | | |
| | | | Income tax | \$ 23,250 | \$ 1,350 | \$ 16,990 | | |
| 18 | (L14+L15)+L4 | • | Operating Ratio | *** | ^^~ | 000 | | |
| | | | - % | 82% | 99% | 89% | | |