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Decision 99-08-010 August 5, 1999

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of the City of Roseville,
For an order authorizing the City to:
Construct Roseville Parkway Overcrossing
Over the tracks and right of way of the
Union Pacific Railroad Company in the
City of Roseville, Placer County, State of
California.

Application 99-05-027
(Filed May 14, 1999)

OPINION

As part of the Roseville Extension Parkway Project, the City of Roseville (City) requests authority to construct Roseville Parkway at separated grade, above the A-line tracks of the Union Pacific Railroad (UP), in said City, Placer County.

The project site is located north of central Roseville. City proposes to construct Roseville Parkway between its termini at Harding Boulevard and Taylor Road. The purpose of this project is to: improve existing traffic circulation; accommodate anticipated traffic demand; and maintain Roseville Parkway as an identified arterial per City's 2010 General Plan. A vicinity map is set forth in Appendix A.

The alignment crosses the UP A-line at milepost 108.31, and Interstate 80 adjacent. The project proposal includes the construction of a bridge at this location, referred to as the Roseville Parkway Overcrossing.

The proposed Overcrossing is a three-span combination precast/cast-in-place prestressed, box girder bridge. Overall span length is approximately 106.52 meters (349.5 feet). The curb-to-curb width is 30.23 m (99.2') to include six 3.66 m (12') lanes, two 2.01 m (6.6') shoulders, and one 4.27 m (14') raised median. Each side will accommodate a 1.50 m (4.9') sidewalk with concrete barrier and chain link railing.

City is the lead agency for this project under the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA), as amended, Public Resources Code 21000, et. seq. After preparation and review of an Initial Study, City issued a Mitigated Negative Declaration. On July 24, 1998, City filed a Notice of Determination with the County Clerk of Placer County which states that "as approved, 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, Mitigated Negative Declaration, and Notice of Determination.

The site of the proposed project has been inspected by the Commission's Rail Safety and Carriers Division (RSCD), Rail Crossings Engineering staff. The staff examined the need for and safety of the proposed crossings and recommends that the sought authority be granted.

Application 99-05-027 meets the filing requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, including Rule 38 which relates to the construction of a public highway across a railroad.

In Resolution ALJ 176-3016 dated May 27, 1999, the Commission preliminarily categorized this application as ratesetting, and preliminarily determined that hearings were not necessary. No protests have been received. The Commission's RSCD recommends that this application be granted. Given these developments, a public hearing is not necessary, and it is not necessary to disturb the preliminary determinations made in Resolution ALJ 176-3016.

This is an uncontested matter in which the decision grants the relief requested. Accordingly, pursuant to PU Code Section 311(g)(2), the otherwise applicable 30-day period for public review and comments is being waived.

Findings of Fact

1. Notice of the application was published in the Commission's Daily Calendar on May 18, 1999. No protests have been filed.
2. City requests authority, under Public Utilities Code Sections 1201 - 1205, to construct Roseville Parkway at separated grade, above the A-line tracks of UP in Roseville, Placer County.
3. City is the lead agency for this project under CEQA, as amended.

4. The Commission is a responsible agency for this project and has reviewed and considered the lead agency's Initial Study, Mitigated Negative Declaration, and Notice of Determination.

5. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

Conclusions of Law

1. The application is uncontested and a public hearing is not necessary.
2. Public convenience and necessity require the construction of the Roseville Parkway Overcrossing.
3. The application should be granted as set forth in the following order.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The City of Roseville (City) is authorized to construct Roseville Parkway at separated grade, over the A-line tracks of the Union Pacific Railroad (UP), in said City, Placer County, at the location and substantially as shown on the plans attached to the application, to be identified as the Roseville Parkway Overcrossing, PUC Crossing 001A-108.31-A.

2. Clearances shall be in accordance General Order (GO) 26-D.

3. Walkways shall conform to GO 118. Walkways adjacent to any trackage subject to rail operations shall be maintained free of obstructions and shall be promptly restored to their original condition in the event of damage during construction.

4. Construction and maintenance costs shall be borne in accordance with an agreement to be entered into between the parties. Should the parties fail to agree, the Commission will apportion the costs of construction and maintenance by further order.

5. Construction plans of the proposed crossing, approved by UP, together with a copy of the agreement entered into between the parties, shall be filed by City with the Commission's Rail Safety and Carriers Division (RSCD), Rail Crossings Engineering section (RCE) prior to commencing construction.

6. Within thirty (30) days after completion of the work under this order, City shall advise RCE, in writing, that the authorized work has been completed.

7. This authorization shall expire if not exercised within three (3) 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.

8. This application is granted as set forth above.

9. Application 99-05-027 is closed.

This order becomes effective today.

Dated August 5, 1999 , at San Francisco, California.

RICHARD A. BILAS

President

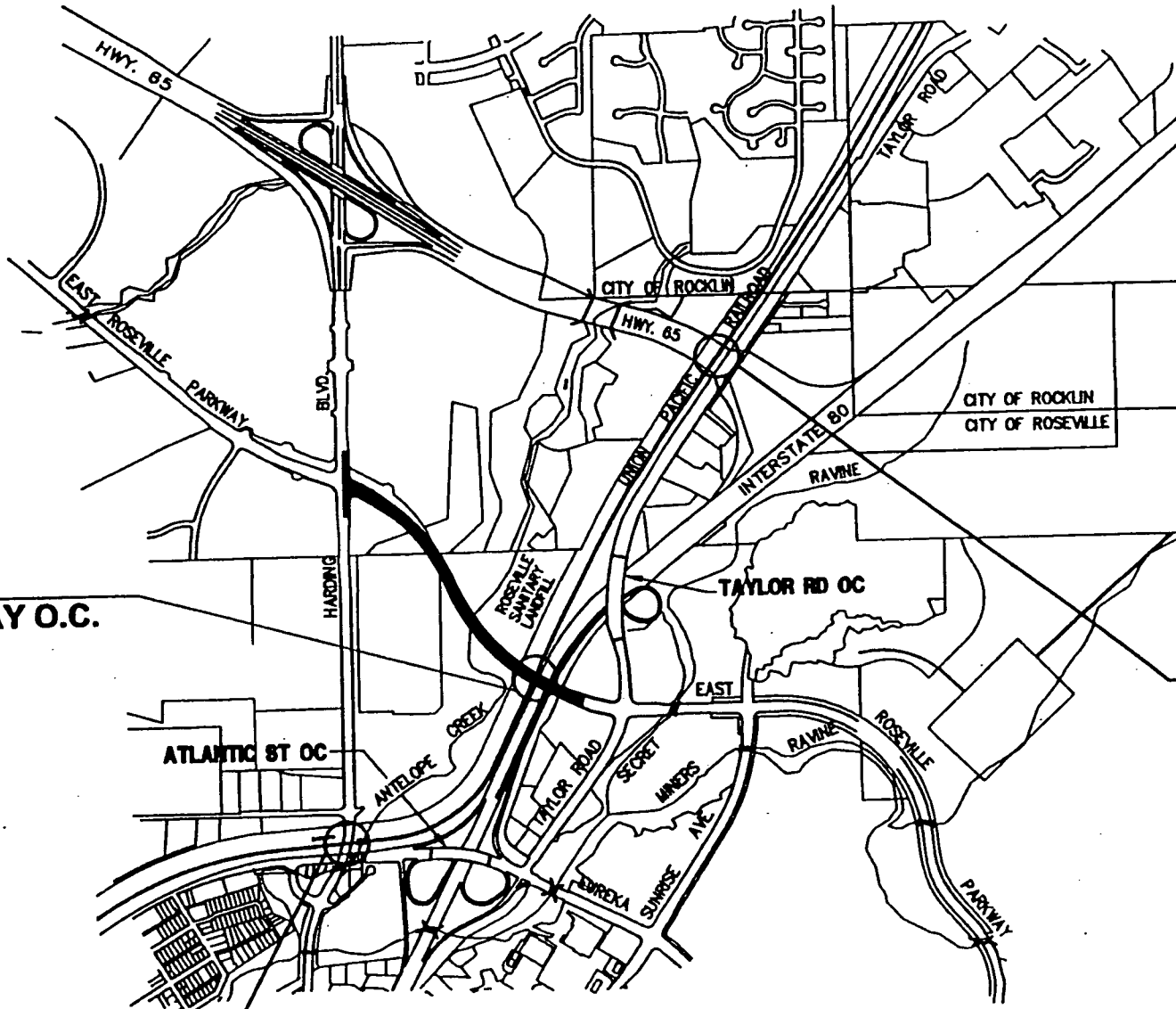
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Commissioners



LOCATION OF WORK
ROSEVILLE PARKWAY O.C.
MP 108.31-A
PUC NO. A-108.31-A
DOT NO. 412473S

HWY 65 OVERPASS
PUC NO. A-109.0-A
DOT NO. 753562A

HARDING BLVD O/H
PUC NO. A-107.70-A
DOT NO. _____

VICINITY MAP
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