

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION SR-7  
Safety Division

R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION OF CROSSING PROTECTION AT THE SEASIDE AVENUE CROSSING OF UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY'S SAN PEDRO BRANCH LINE, CROSSING 3A-23.88C, IN LONG BEACH, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, FROM STANDARD NO. 8 FLASHING LIGHTS TO A 90' SIGNAL BRIDGE WITH FLASHING LIGHTS OVER EACH OF THE SIX WESTBOUND LANES AND TWO CANTILEVERED, ROTATABLE NO. 8A SIGNALS OVER THE EASTBOUND LANES.

The City of Long Beach(City), by letter dated June 19, 1989, requested authority to widen and improve the Ocean Boulevard(Seaside Avenue), Crossing 3A-23.88C of the Union Pacific Railroad Company's(UP) San Pedro Branch Line, under this Commission's General Order(G.O.) 88-A and in connection therewith also requested authority to install a 90 foot signal bridge with flashing lights over each of the six westbound lanes and two rotatable Standard No. 8-A flashing light signals with cantilever arms over the eastbound lanes, G.O.75-C.

City's proposed improvement and alteration includes reconstruction and widening the roadway to provide three through lanes in each direction plus two left turn lanes and one right turn lane on the westbound roadway, including removing the existing four Standard No.8 flashing light signals and upgrading the crossing protection.


During a two year period of study by the participating parties which included City, UP and the Commission staff, it was determined, after an in depth study of roadway geometrics, vehicular traffic and train traffic, that a 90 foot signal bridge( the equivalent of two Standard No. 8-A signals) would afford approaching motorists the best degree of crossing protection. The 90 foot signal bridge is not included within the standards of G.O. 75-C, however in this instance City and the railroad appear to have provided ample justification for an exemption.

IT IS ORDERED that the City of Long Beach is authorized to upgrade and modify the crossing protection at Ocean Boulevard(Seaside Avenue) crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad Company's San Pedro Branch Line, in Long Beach, Long Angeles County, from four Standard No. 8 flashing lights to a 90 foot signal bridge with flashing lights over each of the six westbound lanes and two Standard No. 8-A flashing light signals with cantilever arms(G.O. 75-C) over the eastbound lanes.

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I certify that this resolution was adopted by the Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on OCT 12 1989, 1989. The following Commissioners approved it:

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