

REGULAR MEETING

TAKE NOTICE THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF EDCOUCH WIL BE HELD AT 211 W. SOUTHERN AVE., EDCOUCH, TEXAS, ON THURSDAY, MAY 05, 2022 COMMENCING AT 6:00 P.M. ALL COVID AND CDC PROCAUTIONS WILL BE ENFORCED

AGENDA

- A. Call Meeting to Order:
- B. Roll Call:
- C. Pledge of Allegiance:
- D. Invocation:
- **E.** Public Comments:
- F. Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of Minutes:
- G. Discussion and Possible Action on Removal of Alderman Lorenzo Cabrera from the City of Edcouch Board of Aldermen (Mayor Virginio Gonzalez Jr)
- H. Discussion and Possible Action on Discussion and Possible Action to terminate services with City Attorney with the City of Edcouch (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)
- I. Discussion and Possible Action to Hire New Attorney for the City of Edcouch (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)
- J. Discussion and Possible Action regarding professional services of CSJ Group (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)
- K. Discussion and Possible Action to hire SAMES, Inc and engineer of record for the City of Edcouch (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)
- L. Presentation with questions and answers with MVBA, Ivy Jay Arroyo on Collections fines and fees of municipal court. (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)
- M. Discussione and Possible action regarding towing and maintenance services by Almaraz Towing (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)
- N. Discussion and Possible Action to hire JJ's Towing & Maintenance Services (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)
- O. Consultation with TML attorney to discuss pending case with Ernesto Rosales Vs City of Edcouch. (Mayor Virgil Gonzalez)

Ρ.	Reconvene at 7:43pm: The council shall reconvene and take possible action of items discussed
	in Closed/Executive Session.

Q. Adjournment

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I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above notice of said Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Edcouch was posted on the main entrance to Edcouch City Hall on the 3rd day of January 2022 at 5:00 pm and will remain posted continuously for at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled time of said meeting, in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated (Open Meetings Act).

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL, THIS _____ DAY OF June 2022.

Victor H. De La Cruz City Manager



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R.	Call Meeting to	Order:	Meeting	was	called	to	order	at	<u>6:00pm</u>	by	Mayor	Virginio
	Gonzalez											

S.	Roll Call: Roll call was dome b	y <u>Victor H De La</u>	<u>a Cruz</u> :
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Mayor Pro-tem Rene Flores	_X	_X City Manager Victor H De La Cruz
Alderman Place 2 Joel Segura	_X	X Asst City Mngr Ernesto Rosales
Alderman Place 3 John Chapa	_X	
Alderman Place 4 Robert Gutierrez	_X	
Alderman Place 5 Lorenzo Cabrara	_X	

Mayor, we have a quorum

- T. Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge was led by: Commissioner Robert Gutierrez
- U. Invocation: Invocation was done by: <u>Victor H De La Cruz</u>
- **V. Public Comments:** No one signed up for public comments. Mr was allowed to speak without signing up.

Mr: I spoke to Mr Jimenez yesterday over the phone

OJ Jimenez: Nice to formally meet you

Mr Lara: Those are the maps that and I that I told you about. Hopefully the city can address this with Mr Daniel Vasquez, as to whether the street belongs to him. Mr De La Cruz is aware of all this. He patrols all this area he wants 15 feet of the driveways paved and he is also requesting 26 years of back pay in taxes. So it is an important legal matter that the city has to look into and he has claimed that the street did not belong to the city, which is where the canal use to be. I believe that he told Mr De La Cruz that the city could have it. But now he has created some problems there and I went to Precinct 9 Water District Mercedes and they gave me those copies and said the canal is there on that street and it was never passed on or sold and it still belongs to them. I am hoping that Mr Jimenez or the engineers look into it and get back to me.

Mayor: Yes sir, we will look into it.

Mr Lara: Thank you

OJ Jimenez: Just a quick briefing mayor, city council, I did speak with the gentlemen and there appears to be some kind of issue regarding some meets and bounds problems so I did have him come this afternoon and drop this off so I can look at it and then make a determination, not only from the legal perspective but also from the engineering perspective because there is a lot of meets and bounds that need to be evaluated. I did speak with Mr De La Cruz regarding that, I do understand that we did send the surveying team out there. We do have the points already established so it should not be that difficult but I did want him to come by so that we could get the process moving a lot quicker. It is not an item on the agenda but just something so we can have our citizen, making sure this other individual is not going to be somehow stealing or taking money from other individuals, because he said there was some issues regarding some taxes and so we can address those issues as well.

W. Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of Minutes:

1) April 07, 2022

A motion to was made by Alderman <u>Chapa</u>, a second was made by Alderman <u>Flores</u>. All in favor signify by saying Aye. Opposed? Motion carried.

X. Discussion and Possible Action on Removal of Alderman Lorenzo Cabrera from the City of Edcouch Board of Aldermen (Mayor Virginio Gonzalez Jr)

OJ Jimenez: Mayor, city council good evening again. I did speak with Commissioner Cabrera in a briefing just now and he did notify me that there is a TRO in place signed by the 93rd District Judge Macias this afternoon. I did also call the registry of the court and the bond has been paid at 4: 52pm so at this moment there is no action we can take on this.

Y. Discussion and Possible Action on Discussion and Possible Action to terminate services with City Attorney with the City of Edcouch (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)

A motion to terminate services with City Attorney with the City of Edcouch was made by Alderman <u>Segura</u>, a second motion was made by Alderman <u>Cabrera</u>. All in favor signify by saying Aye. Opposed Alderman <u>Chapa</u>, Alderman <u>Flores</u>. Motion does not Pass

Mayor: Under Section 22.077 of Mr Jimenez is an officer of the city so this one requires teo thirds vote. We got one, two, three out of five. So that will be sixty percent. Motion does not pass

Audience: You cant vote

Mayor: One, two, three, four, five. So it is twenty, forty, sixty.

Commissioner Cabrera: No sir, you cant pass that.

Mayor: Item H.

Commissioner Cabrera: No

Mayor: It did not pass. It requires a two third vote. So we go on to the next item.

Commissioner Cabrera: No we are not moving to the next item. Its three votes. Why are you not going to pass it if there is three votes. You can not vote. It is a TRO

Commissioner Flores: The TRO is for your item.

Mayor: This is a termination services of the city attorney. It requires a two third vote, 22.07%

Commissioner Cabrera: No sir, its three votes.

Mayor: Thank you. One, two, three. That is not two thirds.

Commissioner Flores: It is four.

Commissioner Cabrera: Mayor, do the right thing.

OJ Jimenez: If I may address the board mayor, I am going to go ahead and read what the mayor was talking about so we can take a look at it and if there is an issue regarding the interpretation that is something that anybody can go to the court and address it. I just want to read it so everybody os under the same understanding. Section 22.077 of the Texas Local Government Code Removal of Municipal Officers. If the governing body lacks confidence of a municipal officer appointed by the governing body, the body can remove that officer at any time. There is a period there but the sentence continues and it says, the removal is effective only if two thirds of the elected alderman vote in favor of the termination. So we have one, two, three, four, and five. Two thirds requires . . .

Comissioner Cabrera: But this is General Law, Mr Jimenez, this is General Law. This is not Home Rule.

OJ Jimenez: Commissioner Cabrera, this is exactly General Law. I can print this out and I mean no disrespect, I am simply reading what the law states. So when we have a two thirds vote it requires four of the five. I understand it is just doing simple math Commissioner Segura, Commissioner Gutierrez, Commissioner Cabrera that is three and two, it does not have the four that it needed under General Law Section 22.077 of the Local Government Code therfor Mayor is correct in saying the vote does not pass at this time. If you guys want to do something else then that is fine but this is the law according to General Law.

Mayor: So with the two thirds it does not pass.

OJ Jimenez: It requires the two third vote.

Meeting Attendee: I just want to know this because I know there was a letter of resignation that was brought in. Was there ever a letter receding your resignation, sir?

Mayor: We will go on to Item H

Meeting Attendee: I am from the town and we have a right to know.

(Inaudiable)

OJ Jimenez: Just for clarification, you had a question?

Meeting Attendee: Yes sir I do.

OJ Jimenez: Can you say your question again?

Meeting Attendee: Yes. Apparently there was a letter that you sent for resignation, right?

OJ Jimenez: Yes sir

Meeting Attendee: So when did that take into effect as far as your resignation? Was it automatically?

OJ Jimenez: According to General Law, the board has to accept it. So what I did was I rescinded it before the acceptance.

Meeting Attendee: And there is a letter proving that you rescinded the resignation? And was it shown to everybody or just? Who has that letter?

Commissioner Segura: Did you receive it? Did you receive it Mr Gutierrez? Cause I didn't receive it.

(Inaudible)

OJ Jimenez: If we are going to have some kind of civility. We have him who is a concerned citizen and out of respect for everybody that is here I think he should come first because he is a citizen of this great city. So once he is done questioning we can go down, if the mayor is ok so we can have some kind of order. So until he is done then we can move forward. Your question again was whether or not they received it?

Meeting Attendee: Yes

OJ Jimenez: And the follow up question was who has received it. Our great city manager Victor Hugo De La Cruz and our great Mayor Virginio Gonzalez have received it.

Meeting Attendee: So as far as everybody else was concerned you were still terminated

OJ Jimenez: I can not, and I hope you understand respectfully

Meeting Attendee: I know what you are trying to say

OJ Jimenez: No, no you don't know what I am saying. You don't know what Im trying to say because I have not said it but I hope you can understand and respect the fact that I don't know what this great man is thinking. So you can't ask me do I know whether or not Commissioner Segura knew about it. That's called speculation and I cant speculate.

Commissioner Segura: Actually I did send you a text I sent to you and I spoke to you about that. You all never sent me

OJ Jimenez: About what sir?

Commissioner Cabrera: About you resignation letter and about your rescinding letter. I never received it. You can say

OJ Jimenez: And again, we can go back to the Local Government Code under General C, I don't have to.

Commissioner Segura: You don't have to give it to the commission? You just give it to the mayor.

OJ Jimenez: No, the mayor is the commission, sir.

Commissioner Segura: So the mayor by himself is the commission?

OJ Jimenez: The mayor under the Local Government Code

Commissioner Segura: I am asking, the mayor by himself is the commission?

OJ Jimenez: That is who I have to give it to, yes. So I did everything that I was required to do and again I can show you and if we need to we can put it on the agenda under the Local Government Code under city charter everything that is here I have memorized for three years, sir. Any other questions?

Meeting Attendee: Yeah, you mention about lack of confidence.

OJ Jimenez: No, I didn't mention that. I think it was your brother that mentioned that.

Meeting Attendee: Ok, that is part of it, right?

Mayor: Based on the law, that is what it states.

Meeting Attendee: I am just trying to clarify, yes you can continue but when you have three, the majority of the commission who speak for the people, have a lack of confidence in you. There should be some . . .

OJ Jimenez: And I think what you are trying to ask is something that you should ask our great state legislature cause they are the ones that task the law. What we have to do is we have to enforce it, right. Except for this body here is the Executive Branch so they can make different law but under the General Law we have to follow the law.

Meeting Attendee: Im just clarifying

OJ Jimenez: Yes and I respect that, that is why I am answering in that fashion. So all we are doing, I think the city council is trying to do is simply follow the law so we don't have to get lock down by lawsuit after lawsuit and all the money that should have been used for the citizens is being used in litigation.

Mayor: So what happened, OJ submitted a letter of resignation, he rescinded it, he is the attorney, Mr Segura, Cabrera, and Gutierrez added an item that they wanted to terminate services. We placed the item on the agenda. We took vote. Three voted to terminate. Two voted to not terminate. Based on 22.077 it requires a two third votes for removal and at this time it does not have the two third so we will go on to the next item.

Z. Discussion and Possible Action to Hire New Attorney for the City of Edcouch (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)

Mayor: This item will be mute because we already have a city attorney

AA.Discussion and Possible Action regarding professional services of CSJ Group (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)

A motion to Table professional services of CSJ Group was made by Alderman $\underline{Gutierrez}$, a second motion was made by Alderman $\underline{Cabrera}$. All in favor signify by saying Aye. Opposed. Motion passes

Motion was changed

A motion to terminate professional services of CSJ Group was made by Alderman <u>Gutierrez</u>, a second motion was made by Alderman <u>Segura</u>. All in favor signify by saying Aye. Opposed by Alderman Chapa and Alderman Flores. Motion does not pass

Mayor: Same rule for this one.

Commissioner Segura: How is it the same rule for this one?

Commissioner Cabrera: Its majority. You are going to do this for all of them?

Mayor: He is an officer of the city.

Commissioner Segura: He is not an officer. How is he an officer?

Mayor: Based on definition, our engineer of record is an officer.

Commissioner Flores: Can you pass it to legal, so legal can explain.

Commissioner Segura: I don't trust you so you can say whatever you want

Commissioner Cabrera: Neither do I. I do not trust you because I have been texting to you and you have not responded to me in any text that I have sent.

OJ Jimenez: I cannot respond to you. You have an attorney and under Rule 404, I can not speak with you. I can not speak with this great gentlemen, I can to speak with that great gentlemen because they have representation. They have council. I just want to point that out so you actually have two attorneys' sir. So I can not by law talk to you.

Commissioner Segura: Lets go

Mayor: Three to two same law it requires a two third vote for the removal of a municipal officer, which is an engineer is a municipal officer. It does not pass.

BB. Discussion and Possible Action to hire SAMES, Inc and engineer of record for the City of Edcouch (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)

Mayor: This item is mute. We already have Mr Eddie Saenz

CC. Presentation with questions and answers with MVBA, Ivy Jay Arroyo on Collections fines and fees of municipal court. (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)

Mr Arroyo: Good evening council, I promise I won't be as controversial. My name is Ivy Jay Arroyo, and I am with the Law Office of **McQuarrie** _____. The services we provide in collection of fines and fees and account receivable for municipal courts. In your package your first item is your fines and fees. We can go through that pretty quickly. I just want to share with you that MVBA has been in the collections business for property tax, fines and fees. Property tax side since the early 60s. We are truly the pioneers if you think its Limburger, get that out of your head. We are the pioneers. As pioneers for starters, we took arrows in the back. That means everybody learns from us and just like anything else everyone learns from the earlier teams, so that's how this is. One of the things that most firms lack is experience. Everybody has this idea that you do something, it lasts a while, and you feel important but at the end of the day you come back to Edcouch. Look at the town and see how this is affecting us. So, one of the things that we look at, and my background is in McAllen, and I am the client development director of the firm, obviously we have to look at profitability. We have to substantiate your existence and ask ourselves, does the municipal court pay for itself and at the end of the day it is costing us money to keep this. So, this is a department that generates revenue. You have an accounting department. You do that so that you stay safe and stay compliant, but it doesn't generate any revenue for you and at the end of the day it. So, you look at those areas with quite a bit of detail, and that is my strength. My strength is to pay attention to the detail. So, one of the things that we do at MVBA is we work with your staff, we participate in helping them with training. Anytime you have a turnover in personnel. What is the most expensive cost of having to run a business? Training, right? So, one of the things is that we work very closely with you to work with these accounts that become delinquent, and they go over 60 days and so we work with your staff with some really professional collection efforts through skip racing. If you notice down in collection efforts, letters that go out. Skip racing is when you cannot find a defendant and you have to utilize different means to locate that person so that they can make restitution payments on their violations. So, we will issue letters and make phone calls. They deal with disputes and individual situations, and we work to getting payments into your court and into your savings as quickly as possible. Most people wait 30 days or 60 days or whatever it is but we could deliver money to you as soon as they pay it or within a week. So now you have some generating revenue for your court. What makes the difference between myself and any of your current vendors is that I am present. I am the person that is going to be working with your court and you are going to hear me, and you are going to get tired of seeing me because I believe that you should know what is going on with the work that I do. I am not going to micromanage your office. You have your internal control structure. You have got the things that you like in place, and you know what is working and what is not working. So what we do is our invoicing procedures of course there is a collection fee that is controlled by the State of Texas. It is a 30% fee that gets added to the traffic violation. So what this means is that you get 100% of the fine and the fee. So, if the ticket is \$100, we add the 30% which is done by the State of Texas, and of that 30% that is all that is all we get so I can pay my staff to do the letters and make the phone calls and manage the payments and give everything

to the court. And so what I do now is postage, paper, toner, envelopes. I can tell you this, that on that level, you have never seen this with a current vendor you have now. I guarantee you, I can bring to the table I can save you the minimal amount of three, four thousand dollars a year, every year, in expenses. You will see at the end of the year you will spend three to four thousand dollars less. With a three-year contract you will see that we will save you anywhere between nine and twelve thousand dollars. And you still can't put it in percentage because some of this has been going on since 2006. So, we issue aggressive aids, in other words if there is a ticket for \$100 and we add the \$30, we send your court the \$130. Because we know that sometimes, just in data entry or just the system didn't calculate properly, we make sure that if the ticket was more than \$100 you get paid before, because at the end of the day if you have to use those extra \$30 to clear the ticket and I get \$5 for whatever, well then that is the cost of doing business, but you get paid first. And so that is one of the key things that makes us so much more effective than most people that you will see out there. So you get a gross invoice. That means you get a whole of the money and you distribute it. At the end of the day you pay us which should be 30%. We do monthly auditing and that means that one of the things that we do is we do auditing and do some background checking for you. If you look in your packet you're going to find just a small report. It is called an OCA

Mr De La Cruz: I did some research when I saw the agenda and there is an issue right now but I welcome this any day because this is going to help our court. There is a lot more issues, and I don't know if you were notified of those, but there is some issues that I imagine they are going to come in and fix all that because we do have a surplus of, and I'm not sure of the amounts, but prior years people that came on board, there were some monies that were spent. But I did some research and there is someone going around and saying that we have a contract open with Perdue. So we have to figure out and see how we are going to remove them if this passes.

Mr Arroyo: We are not even there yet.

Meeting Attendee: And what is their percentage? Because that is 30% to the citizens and that has to come from somewhere

Mr De La Cruz: It comes from the actual traffic violation

(Inaudiable)

Meeting Attendee: If somebody gets pulled over going five to ten miles over the speed limit, which they deserve to get a ticket. They are going to get charged 30% on top of that

Mayor: But it is only if they have not paid, right? If they come to the court it will be . . .

Mr Arroyo: Sir, these traffic violations, it is required

Mr De La Cruz: It is not an additional fee . . .

Meeting Attendee: I understand that but whatever the fee is if you pay it, you pay, but if they get involved its 30% more than what it would be.

Mr Arroyo: After 60 days

Meeting Attendee: So it is only one single delinquent?

Commissioner Flores: After it goes to collections, yes.

Mr Arroyo: Yes, you guys handle the upfront. Its when there is no payment . . .

Meeting Attendee: I mean that is a little alarming. 30%! I mean I know you all got people to feed over there but . . .

Mayor: It is a collection agency

Mr Arroyo: You don't feed your people with 30% when you have overhead cost.

Meeting Attendee: I understand that but . . .

Mr Arroyo: Anyway, again I am addressing the council. Not in disrespect but my presentation is to council but I do understand your concern. So anyway if you look at this court demonstration, you will notice that this report is from January 2019 to April 2022 and this report has not reported to the State of Texas. That is one of the things that I look at when I work with a customer. Is there anything we can do to help these guys get compliant among other things. I may be just doing the collection on fines and fees, but you want a partner that is going to do a little bit more and go a little further for you. One that takes care of you making sure that you are compliant. In our staff, that is one of the strengths that we have. We have the ability, and if you notice on the Client Benefits, one of the key things that we provide is something we call Web Access. So, some of your customers are delinquent customers and need help or you hear that they were mistreated or whatever. You have the ability to log in to our system and look at everything pertaining to their account. Then you deal with your staff. It gives you the chance to see the track and the wat things are going so you can have a good handle on what is going on with the accounts. Every individual and situation is different. One has cancer and they need time to make payments, those are things that we work with. That is a safety website so when we transfer the data, from the municipal court that has personal information, it is secured. Nobody can get to it. It is properly managed, and it is only used for the use of the collection for that particular account. For reporting, we do something very interesting, and I assure you that you have never had anybody of your vendor that provides you services that lets you know what is going on in your account. If you pull out this report. This is a report (28:48) is a report that we discuss lastly with your court administrator or your municipal judge. All of the cases that are transferred and classified and you will be able to see the classification closed case, collected partial payment, paid in full, canceled, because there are sometimes when you have to cancel the cases. Either the plaintiff passed away or is an indigent and stuff like that. This report also shows you what you kind of have in receivables and that is really important. It really gives you a real good snapshot of the progress in the collections. Our goal is to help you generate the revenue because that is money that should be used to support your citizens and provide better services to them. When it comes to the employees, provide better equipment for your policemen. Better protection gear. You see all those monies go toward that. This is where you generate revenue to pay the salaries for the city protection. So, one of the things that we do at MVBA is provide tool for the services that we provide a tremendous amount of tools. If you look at eh MVBA Client Services, it shows the different things that we can do to enhance the services that we provide. We can also take care of the Scofflaw. That in itself will surely take a lot of work from your court clerks desk. We try to format our services to what your court needs. We take a look at it and think how can we incorporate to come in and help them with what they need and make your life a lot easier. If I can manage that and take that work and they don't have to do that anymore then you maximize your work in your office. So if you are ever looking for an A Player then we are here to help. I look forward to work with you and serve you. Thank you for your time. Is there any questions for me?

Mr De La Cuz: I have a question. How far back can you go to collect?

Mr Arroyo: There is no statue if limitations.

Me De La Cruz: I kmow for the warrants, we can only go back two years, correct?

Mr Arroyo: Right

Mr De La Cruz: Ok but for anything else, collections

Mr Arroyo: like I said we do all that and we do accounts receivable any of your bills anything you consider a receivable

Mayor: What is your collection success rate?

Mr Arroyo: You know, I usually tell folks if you look at that number there

Mayor: 45

Mr Arroyo: My collections can go up to 60%. Grant it your guys are maybe doing 20% of that. So it has a lot to do with how old your cases are.

Mayor: Any other questions? No? Ok thank you sir.

DD.Discussione and Possible action regarding towing and maintenance services by Almaraz Towing (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)

A motion to remove towing and maintenance services by Almaraz Towing was made by Alderman <u>Gutierrez</u>, a second motion was made by Alderman <u>Segura</u>. All in favor signify by saying Aye. Opposed by Alderman <u>Chapa</u> and Alderman <u>Flores</u>. Motion carries.

EE. Discussion and Possible Action to hire JJ's Towing & Maintenance Services (Alderman Segura, Gutierrez, Cabrera)

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FF. Consultation with TML attorney to discuss pending case with Ernesto Rosales Vs City of Edcouch. (Mayor Virgil Gonzalez)

Executive Session Texas Government Code Chapter 551 Section 551701 Consultation with City Attorney. 6:23 Board went into Executive Session

1) Consultation with TML attorney to discuss pending case with Ernesto Rosales Vs City of Edcouch.

Mayor: It is 6:38pm and we are closed in Executive Session

GG.Reconvene at <u>7:43pm</u>: The council shall reconvene and take possible action of items discussed in Closed/Executive Session.

1) Consultation with TML attorney to discuss pending case with Ernesto Rosales Vs City of Edcouch.

Mr De la Cruz: I will pass this on to legal

OJ Jimenez: Mayor, city council pursuant to the conversation that was had during Executive Session I think it is only appropriate that we at this time to have no action.

HH.Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman <u>Segura</u>, a second motion was made by Alderman Chapa. All in favor signify by saying Aye. Opposed. Motion Carried

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