

ATTENDANCE

Rosamond Alvaranga
Felina Backer
Sallie Bennett
Barbara Bieber
Ernest Borno
Sharon Borno
Greg Borruso
Gardy Brazela
James Buchanan
Terri Cadet-Donald
Lucina Clarke
Donald Cranston
Malynda Jordan-Dandridge

Reeves Eisen
Joshua Fassu
Maria Garrett
Ian Gaynor
Denise Gordon
Denise Gourdine
Stuart Heier
Tomas Hernandez, Jr.
Naomi Hopkins
Michael Ien
Jibreel Jalloh
Kenny Jean-Baptiste
Sharon Nedd

Judy Newton
David Price
Patrick Jayson Reyes
Yolaine Ridore
Viole Roberty
Michelle Sealey
Victoria Stennett
Robert Tracey
Nancy Walby
Valerie Woodford
Grace Zwillenberg

GUESTS:

Harriet Wieber
Marie Mauze
Lynda Mauze
Hugh Hollingsworth
Paul Jackson
Nebert Jackson
Rob Mazzuchin
P.O. Samuel Maria
Hon. Farah Louis
Ruth Guillaume
Michael Benjamin
Gerard Brewster
Rachael Kosak
P.O. Ronette Benjamin
Linda Steinmuller
Dorothy Lee
Norine Medas
Joseph Politi
Vivienne Bent
Sheila Galvez
Joan Rubini
Roderick Wilcox
Marcia Ashby
Zonella West
David Holder
Kim Robinson
Maja Clasen
Dee Mck.
Andrew Zibell
Clover Dewar

Holy Trinity
Area Resident
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Serenity Community Garden
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Area Resident
69th Precinct
Council Member, 45th Council District
Representing Council Member Farah Louis, 45th Council District
Representing State Senator Roxanne Persaud, 19th S.D.
Utica 2 Flatbush
Commanding Officer, 63rd Precinct
63rd Precinct
Canarsie Courier
Area Resident
Rockaway Parkway Merchants Association
Area Resident
Rep. Assembly Member Monique Chandler-Waterman, 58th A.D.
Area Resident
Area Resident
Area Resident
Area Resident
Area Resident
Area Resident
Brooklyn Lifestyle Athletic Club
Representing Council Member Mercedes, 46th Council District
Area Resident
Area Resident
Volunteers of America, Greater New York
Area Resident

Sabine J	Area Resident
Simona Rochard	Area Resident
Stan Sander	Area Resident
Kathy Ohara	Area Resident
Frank Fontana	NYC Department of Buildings
Eurika Oliver	Area Resident
Christina Caputo	Area Resident
Nancy Montgomery	Area Resident
KC Cooper	Area Resident
Noreen Roach	Area Resident
Guerda Victor	Area Resident
Linda Harrell	Area Resident
Nicole Tejada	Area Resident
Elba Melendez	Area Resident
Ian Girshek	Representing Assembly Member Jaime Williams, 59 A.D.
Kimberley Coke	Area Resident
David Dugue	Area Resident
Susan Perez	Area Resident
Keisha Sydney	Sesame Flyers
Jamaal Carryl	Area Resident
Stacey N	Area Resident
Richard Day	NYC Department of Sanitation
Judah Wohlgernter	Area Resident
Michael	Nick's Lobster House
Dimitry	Nick's Lobster House

7:08 P.M.

Board Member Jim Buchanan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

REGULAR MEETING

Chairperson Michael Ien introduced the Executive Board and staff. He explained that we can keep our meetings moving and running smoothly if all questions are directed to the Chair and pertain to the issue at hand and to please be mindful if someone is speaking, do not interrupt. Also, keep in mind that you have three minutes to make a statement. Board Members will be recognized first by raising their hands and not yelling out.

Chairperson Michael Ien asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the Board meeting held on June 29, 2022. There being none, Chairperson Ien made a motion that the minutes be accepted as written. Board Member David Price seconded the motion. The motion passed with 36 Yes Votes.

7:12 P.M.

GUEST PRESENTATION

Richard Day, Community Outreach Coordinator, Bureau of Recycling and Sustainability for the NYC Department of Sanitation provided a brief presentation on the

upcoming yearly fall leaf collection. The collection dates are Sunday, November 20th and Sunday, December 4th. Sanitation asks that after residents rake their leaves, they set them out to be collected for compost. The leaves can be put out in paper lawn and leaf bags or unlined rigid containers. You will be receiving mail about this, or you can visit our website www.nyc.gov/leafcollection for additional information. The Community Board will also be distributing leaf bags.

7:14 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING

B.S.A. Calendar # 364-87-BZ – Premises affected – 1710-1720 Flatbush Avenue, Block 7598, Lot 24. A Public Hearing on an Application filed pursuant to Section 11-411 of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York, as amended to seek an extension of term of the previously granted variance, under BSA Cal. No. 364-87-bz, to permit the continued operation of an automotive repair facility at the Premises within a C2-2/R5 zoning district, for a term of ten (10) years. *This Statutory Public Hearing has been duly advertised in the City Record.*

Chairperson Michael Ien introduced Tom Hernandez Jr, Planning and Zoning Chair who explained the application and informed the board that on Wednesday, September 14th, 2022 the Planning & Zoning Committee met with the applicant's Attorney Alexia Landesman of the Law Firm, Sheldon Lobel, P.C. to review this application. In summary, this is basically an Auto Repair Shop that is seeking an extension of term to permit this auto repair facility to remain operational for another 10 years. They've been granted the same permit every 10 years for the past 40 years since its existence for the past 50 years so nothing has changed. It will operate as an auto repair shop and remain the same business it has been. There have been no complaints filed against this facility & the Planning and Zoning Committee recommends approval of this application. An official vote of the Board Members will be taken later during the Planning and Zoning Committee Report portion of the meeting.

Chairperson Michael Ien introduced the following:

Council Member Farah Louis who greeted everyone and provided updates on legislation that she recently passed, participatory budgeting, office information, programs, and events.

Capt. Rachael Kosak, Commanding Officer, 63rd Precinct introduced herself to the Board as the new Commanding Officer of the 63rd Precinct. She explained she has been the C.O. for about two months and has been fortunate to meet with many Elected Officials and community leaders. The C.O. gave a quick summary of her background and invited questions. She also said her NCO's and Community Affairs Officers are available and her email address is on the website. She addressed the problems of illegally parked cars, abandoned vehicles, and noise complaints.

Chairperson Michael Ien recognized P.O. Ronette Benjamin, 63rd Precinct who was present as well.

Chairperson Michael Ien introduced Kim Robinson, Representing Council Member Mercedes Narcisse who greeted everyone and provided their office information, programs, and event updates.

7:47 P.M.

DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT – Sue Ann Partnow

District Manager Partnow greeted and thanked everyone for being here this evening and hoped everyone enjoyed a relaxing summer. **July and August proved to be busy as she represented Community Board 18 at the following:**

1. Canarsie Library Renovation Meeting and she thanked Council Member Mercedes Narcisse for securing the funding.
2. Cannabis Retailing Licensing -The Commission is in the process of hiring before licensing applications are distributed in 2023. Applications for licensing will come before the Community Boards.
3. Greeted everyone at the 69th Precinct National Night Out Against Crime at Canarsie Park and the 63rd Precinct at Marine Park. She thanked Yolaine Ridore, Lucina Clarke, and Greg Borruso.
4. Met with District Leader Frank Seddio, Bergen Beach Civic President Sal Calise, the attorney, and the owner of the American Bus Company located on East 69th Street about being good neighbors while leasing the property for their 150 buses.
5. She attended the Thank You BBQ for the Hatzolah Ambulance Volunteers and thanked Gil Cygler.
6. She attended the Redistricting Meeting for Council District 46 hosted by Council Member Mercedes Narcisse.
7. She met with the New Commanding Officer of the 63rd Precinct Rachael Kosak.
8. Assisted with handing out Back to School supplies with Council member Mercedes Narcisse and her staff.
9. She attended the Marine Park Concerts hosted by Assembly Member Jaime Williams, The Family Fun Day in Canarsie Park & Senior Day hosted by State Senator Roxanne Persaud, Health & Wellness Fair at South Shore H.S. hosted by Council Member Mercedes Narcisse, Back to School Giveaways hosted by Council member Farah Louis and the 69th Precinct Community Council.
10. Meet & Greet with Superintendent of District 22, Julia Bove.
11. Provided an update on Community Happenings at the Bergen Beach Civic Meeting and thanked Bergen Beach Civic President Sal Calise. She also joined in the festivities at the Senior Concert in Amersfort Park and thanked Council Member Farah Louis.
12. Assembly Member Jaime Williams and Board Member Judy Newton memorialized those that were lost on September 11th as we commemorated 21 years of that tragedy.
13. She was honored to speak at the Street Naming of long-time friend, community activist and owner of Pizza D’Amore, Frank Scollo.
14. She is very happy to announce that the Community Board 18 Health, Resource and Back to School Fair was a huge success with over 36 vendors and hundreds of residents throughout the day. CB18 made a positive impact on the community. Kudos to the Community Board staff Dorothy and Gail. She thanked Chairperson Michael Ien

and Board Member Valerie Woodford for all their help and Paul Curiale and the staff of Millennium Development Corp. for the tents, tables, and music. The local hospitals, Canarsie Lions, Flatlands Volunteer Ambulance Corp., and our elected officials were only some of the busy tables at the fair. She also thanked Board Members Nancy Walby, David Price, Malynda Jordan-Dandridge, Yolaine Ridore, and former 1st Chair Jean Joseph for their participation and support.

Highlights from the September Community Board 18 Cabinet Meeting:

1. FDNY is working together with CB 18 to host two Pop Up fire events in Community Board 18 for Fire Safety Month in October.
2. NYC Department of Sanitation and the 63rd Precinct is scheduling a tag and tow operation for September 28th and 29th. Body Shops removing tags will be targeted. Also, holiday pickups will continue.
3. MTA Accessibility Projects for subway stations: New elevators, and ramps for wheelchairs, strollers, and walkers. Brooklyn Bus Redesign (Moving Stops and Changing Turns)
4. DFTA – September is Older Adult Month and National Preparedness Month and reported \$3 Million for Home Delivered Meal vehicles.
5. 69th Precinct has towed 53 fraudulent vehicles.
6. Parks Capital Projects slated for Salt Marsh Nature Center, Marine Park Oval, Power Playground and Sunners Park.
7. DOT – Private blocks are not mapped and receive no NYC services.
8. DDC - Crosswalks are being redesigned throughout Community Board 18.
9. Curtis Williams, Representing Brookdale Hospital, Michael Benjamin, Representing State Senator Roxanne Persaud, Daniel Heredia, Representing Council Member Farah Louis, Keron Alleyne, Representing Council Member Charles Baron provided updates from their offices.

In and around Community Board 18:

1. Seaview Avenue between East 80th Street and Paerdegat Avenue North has new signs posted to alert vehicles that it is a one-way street going east to avoid collisions.
2. The Holiday Inn Express at 5244 Kings Highway will be used for sheltering and assisting asylum seekers. The Community Board was notified via email at 5:47 PM on Friday, September 2nd with apologies for the short notice.

Our Community Board 18 Good & Welfare:

1. Congratulations to Board Member Lucina Clarke on the birth of her grandson Jiro and granddaughter Aniyah.
2. Congratulations to 2nd Vice Chair Maria Garrett on her special Citation from the

- 69th Precinct at National Night Out for all her community work.
3. Congratulations to Norine Medas and the Rockaway Parkway Corridor for receiving their certificate of incorporation.
 4. Get well wishes to Board Member Ernest Borno.
 5. Happy and New Year to all that celebrate Rosh Hashannah.

8:15 P.M.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PARKS COMMITTEE – Nancy Walby, Chairperson

Chairperson Walby provided the following information about Capital Projects Update for Brooklyn CB18 as of September 16th:

1. 4 projects in the Design phase: Marine Park IS 278 Playground Reconstruction to be completed May 2022, but only 50% complete as of 9/16; Borough President & City Council & Mayoral funds (\$5 to 10M), Power Park Skate Park Construction to be completed May 2023; Boro. Pres. & City Council funds (\$3 to 5M), Power Park Multi-Purpose Play Area to be completed April 2022, but only 90% complete as of 9/16; Boro. Pres. & City Council funds (\$3 to 5M), John Malone Community Center Mechanical Systems Reconstruction to be completed December 2022, Federal & Mayoral funds (\$1 to 3M).
2. 7 projects in the Procurement phase: Marine Park Forest Restoration to be completed April 2023, Mayoral funds (\$1 to 3M); Marine Park Oval Reconstruction to be completed April 2023 City Council & Mayoral funds (over \$10M); Marine Park Golf Course Path Reconstruction to be completed September 2022 Boro. Pres. & City Council funds (\$1 to 3M); 4 Sparrow Marsh Tree Planting Ecological Restoration to be completed May 2023 Mayoral funds (over \$10M); Belt Parkway Tree Planting and Ecological Restoration - McGuire Fields to be completed May 2023 Mayoral funds (over \$10M); Belt Parkway Tree Planting and Ecological Restoration - Shore Parkway to be completed May 2023 Mayoral funds (over \$10M); Wilson Playground Multipurpose Play Area (part of larger project that includes 2 other playgrounds in other CBs) to be completed September 2022 Mayoral funds (over \$10M).
3. 4 projects in the Construction phase: Marine Park Salt Marsh Nature Center Reconstruction to be completed March 2023 Mayoral funds (\$2M); Canarsie Park Comfort Station to be completed October 2023 Boro. Pres. & City Council & Mayoral & Private funds (\$4.4M); Paerdegat Athletic Center Boiler Reconstruction to be completed May 2023 Mayoral funds (\$0.5M); Sunners Playground Reconstruction to be completed May 2023 City Council funds (\$1.5M).
4. She informed the board of the recent personnel changes at the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation. Margot Perron who was the Parks Manager of Marine Park, retired on September 1st, 2022.
5. She also stated that there is no Supervisor for Maintenance or even a Parks Manager for Marine Park however, she did speak with Danielle Goldfarb who is the Parks Manager for Community Boards 17 and 18 and she informed her that they are looking to fill one of those

positions.

6. An issue came up at the Marine Park Association Meeting last night and as the Parks Committee Chair, she'll be reaching out to the committee members, District Manager Partnow and the elected officials to brainstorm and address these issues. She thanked everyone for their indulgence and informed the board that they can find more information on the Capital Projects by visiting the Parks Department website and typing in Capital Projects.

Chairperson Michael Ien informed the Board that CB 18 has more parkland than any board in the City of New York, more parkland than even Central Park in Manhattan. So, we must protect our parks. He thanked Nancy for all her hard work.

YOUTH COMMITTEE – Terri Cadet-Donald, Chairperson

Chairperson Cadet-Donald provided the following information:

1. As you are aware, school has started. For those of you who have children in grades kindergarten to 5th, there are free after school programs for your children. There are flyers on the table about free programs in both District 18 and 22.
2. Bayview Community Center has teen programs for children in middle school, high school and adults. There are evening programs from 6 PM on that have different activities and programs, all for free. She asked if anyone had any question, comments, or concerns.

Chairperson Michael Ien introduced Michael Benjamin, Representing State Senator Roxanne Persaud's Office who greeted everyone and provided their office information, programs, and event updates.

P.O. Samuel Maria, 69th Precinct greeted everyone and provided precinct crime statistics, program and event updates. Vivienne Bent, area resident, expressed concerns about the abandoned cars that are sitting on the street for three years. P.O. Samuel Maria stated that he would gladly take the information from her before the meetings end. An Area Resident asked if a Police car can be assigned to Canarsie H.S during Football games to deter people from double parking and causing traffic issues. Board Member Barbara Bieber stated that she has a schedule and it's posted whenever the games are at home for the school. P.O. Samuel Maria stated that some of the Canarsie High School sports games are held by others who rent the field to play. Board Member Barbara Bieber stated that there's a schedule online for that too. District Manager Partnow asked if it would be possible to put someone at the H.S. to deter any double parking. P.O. Maria stated that having someone assigned for that would take away from answering other important calls. Board Member Valerie Woodford asked if something can be done on Glenwood Road and Rockaway Parkway. A gentleman was moved with his grill but he's back with a bigger grill. P.O. Maria explained that NYC tickets unlicensed vendors with huge fines, but he will gladly check it out. D M Partnow stated that unlicensed vendors need to be removed immediately. We had a similar situation on Flatbush Avenue and the 63rd Precinct did move them away. Board Member Barbara Bieber inquired about electric bikes without license plates riding on the sidewalks and wrong way on the streets. P.O. Maria said they are working with a sector car to target reckless electric bikes.

LIBRARIES & EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Sallie Bennett, Chairperson

Chairperson Bennett provided the following information:

1. Canarsie Library is hosting a 2nd renovation workshop on Thursday, September 29th from 6:30pm-8:00pm at the library at 1580 Rockaway Parkway. Let your voices and ideas be heard. Please RSVP as dinner will be provided. Flyers will be available on the table with the website and other information.
2. When it comes to education, she encourages parents to get involved with their children's school. PTA meetings and other events at the school are important to attend. Children are our future and if we're not there to support them and support the teachers then we are in trouble. Let's work together, come together, unite and make this world a better place for all. She thanked everyone for listening.

Chairperson Michael Ien introduced Ian Girshek, Representing Assembly Member Jaime William's who greeted everyone, wished everyone who will be celebrating a very happy and healthy coming new year and provided their office information, programs, and event updates. He also wished District Manager Sue Ann Partnow a very Happy and Healthy Birthday.

Chairperson Michael Ien introduced Vivienne Bent, Representing Assembly Member Monique Waterman-Chandler who greeted everyone and provided their office information, programs, and event updates. Assembly Member Monique Waterman-Chandler introduced herself and greeted everyone and provided further information on legislation. She also informed the board that there are so many funds that are not being used. The Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce has funds for our community that we need to access. She plans to organize a town hall to discuss those unused funds and other quality of life issues. She thanked everyone for their involvement and support.

Chairperson Michael Ien introduced Frank Fontana, Representing the Buildings Department who greeted everyone and provided their office information, programs, and event updates.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE – Tom Hernandez Jr, Chairperson

1. **B.S.A. Calendar # 364-87-BZ – Premises affected – 1710-1710 Flatbush Avenue, Block 7598, Lot 24**

Chairperson Tom Hernandez made a motion that Community Board #18 recommends approval of the Application for **# 364-87-BZ – Premises affected – 1710-1710 Flatbush Avenue, Block 7598, Lot 24**, an Application filed pursuant to Section 11-411 of the Zoning Resolution of the City of New York, as amended to seek an extension of term of the previously granted variance, under BSA Cal. No. 364-87-bz, to permit the continued operation of an automotive repair facility at the Premises within a C2-2/R5 zoning district, for a term of ten (10) years. Board Member Maria Garrett seconded the Motion. The Motion passed with 33 Yes and 2 No Votes.

2. State Liquor Authority Application Received – Vote

NEW APPLICATION AND TEMPORARY RETAIL PERMIT APPLICATION FOR AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE FOR WINE, BEER & CIDER:

- Carle's Corner corp., Carle's Corner corp., 1778 Ralph Avenue, 11236

NEW APPLICATION FOR AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE FOR WINE, BEER & CIDER:

- K kosher Gourmet House Inc., Chateau Yaffa, 6214 Avenue U, 11234

RENEWAL APPLICATIONS FOR AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE FOR LIQUOR, WINE, BEER & CIDER:

- Funfest LLC, Funfest, 6161 Strickland Avenue, 11234
- Saigon Bar Z & Grill LLC., Saigon Grill & Bar, 4521-23 Avenue N, 11234
- Hook & Reel Georgetown Inc., Hook & Reel Cajun Seafood & Bar, 2183B Ralph Avenue, 11234
- Hills Place LLC, Hills Place Restaurant Bar & Lounge, 2112 Flatbush Avenue, 11234
- Nick’s Live Lobsters Inc., Nick’s Lobster House, 2777 Flatbush Avenue, 11234

Chairperson Hernandez asked if any of the applicants or representatives were in attendance. Present were Michael and Dimitry, Representing Nick’s Lobster House who greeted everyone and provided information on their restaurant.

Chairperson Tomas Hernandez Jr stated that the Community Board notified the Board Members, the local elected officials, civic associations and the 63rd and 69th Police Precinct about the SLA New and Renewal Applications received from Carle’s Corner Corp., Carle’s Corner Corp., 1778 Ralph Avenue, 11236, K kosher Gourmet House Inc., Chateau Yaffa, 6214 Avenue U, 11234, Funfest LLC, Funfest, 6161 Strickland Avenue, 11234, Saigon Bar Z & Grill LLC., Saigon Grill & Bar, 4521-23 Avenue N, 11234, Hook & Reel Georgetown Inc., Hook & Reel Cajun Seafood & Bar, 2183B Ralph Avenue, 11234, Hills Place LLC, Hills Place Restaurant Bar & Lounge, 2112 Flatbush Avenue, 11234, and Nick’s Live Lobsters Inc., Nick’s Lobster House, 2777 Flatbush Avenue, 11234. No objections were received for the referenced applications. Chairperson Hernandez asked for a motion that Community Board 18 recommends approval of the SLA New and Renewal Applications received from Carle’s Corner Corp., Carle’s Corner Corp., 1778 Ralph Avenue, 11236, K kosher Gourmet House Inc., Chateau Yaffa, 6214 Avenue U, 11234, Funfest LLC, Funfest, 6161 Strickland Avenue, 11234, Saigon Bar Z & Grill LLC., Saigon Grill & Bar, 4521-23 Avenue N, 11234, Hook & Reel Georgetown Inc., Hook & Reel Cajun Seafood & Bar, 2183B Ralph Avenue, 11234, Hills Place LLC, Hills Place Restaurant Bar & Lounge, 2112 Flatbush Avenue, 11234, and Nick’s Live Lobsters Inc., Nick’s Lobster House, 2777 Flatbush Avenue, 11234. Board Member Judy Newton made a motion. Board Member David Price seconded the Motion. The Motion passed with 33 Yes and 1 No Votes.

8:41 P.M.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Board Member Valerie Woodford had a neighborhood complaint. D M Partnow asked that she email her the complaint and any 311 complaint numbers she may have.

Board Member Judy Newton had a neighborhood complaint. D M Partnow asked that she email her the complaint and any 311 complaint numbers she may have.

Board member Violine Roberty expressed concerns of a blind spot at the intersection of East 45th Street and Avenue H when trying to make a left turn. D M Partnow will contact DOT.

Board member Denise Gourdine expressed concerns about the private helicopters that have been flying over Flatbush and Marine Park areas. These helicopters are not NYPD. Chairperson Ien asked the 63rd Precinct Community Affairs Officers if they were aware of this. Board Member Greg Borrusso said they’re landing in Floyd Bennett Field. District Manager Partnow stated that she had inquired and was told to call J F K Airport. Board Member Greg Borrusso stated there are more

helicopters in the summer and they're more prevalent on Sundays, and no one wants to take responsibility for it. Board Member Reeves Eisen stated that it's not just Sundays. They're private helicopters that come from Manhattan going to the Hamptons. She spoke to Frieda Menos from Congress Member Hakeem Jeffries Office, and she said that he signed on to a bill that would prohibit them from flying over any residential areas but that's not going to happen fast. She suggested to reach out to federal, state and city officials. Board Member Barbara Bieber said we could reach out to the CNY for Aviation or FAA for Aircrafts.

Noreen Medas, Representing Rockaway Parkway Merchants Association, greeted everyone and provided information on upcoming events.

Gerard Brewster, Representing Utica 2 Flatbush had a neighborhood concern. D M Partnow asked him to send it to her via email.

Board Member Maria Garrett thanked the 69th Precinct for removing the tractor trailer trucks taking up parking spaces on the residential blocks.

Chairperson Michael Ien wished District Manager Sue Ann Partnow a Happy Birthday and a Happy New Year to those that celebrate Rosh Hashanah. Also, we have some birthday cake on the table, please help yourselves.

There being no further business or discussion, Board Member Viole Robery made a motion to adjourn the meeting of CB18. Board Member Michelle Sealey seconded the Motion. The motion passed unanimously with 34 Yes votes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 P.M.

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