



CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE SEPTEMBER 22, 2017



Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the City Manager's Report for the week ending September 22, 2017.

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Mayor Wright and I had a very productive meeting with Assemblymember Frazier and District Director Erica Rodriguez-Langley to receive a briefing on the conclusion of the latest State legislative session which ended on September 15th, and the many projects and initiatives Assemblymember Frazier is working on. Key items discussed included the passage of SB 1 which Assemblymember Frazier co-authored and grant opportunities the City may want to pursue, funding for a ferry terminal in Antioch, homelessness, assistance with our lawsuits against DWR related to the proposed WaterFix twin tunnel project and the City's 1968 Agreement, an Amazon campus opportunity in our region, affordable housing, and jobs. Overall, the message is that better communication needs to be established between our region and Assemblymember Frazier.

I attended the Mary Allan Fellows Awards Ceremony where top Antioch Unified School District teachers were honored for excellence in their field. Named after 2001 California Teacher of the Year, Mary Allan, the 10th annual award dinner is organized by the Antioch Schools Education Foundation and was attended by almost 400 guests. Besides the four top recipients, 11 other teachers were recognized for their innovation and outstanding service to the students and their families. Congratulations to the amazing Fellows award winners Italo Rossi, Frank Zrinski, Jacey Renfro and Tammy Ely-Kofford! For a more complete story of the wonderful event, please click <http://www.eastbaytimes.com/2017/09/20/fellows-awards-honors-top-antioch-teachers/>.



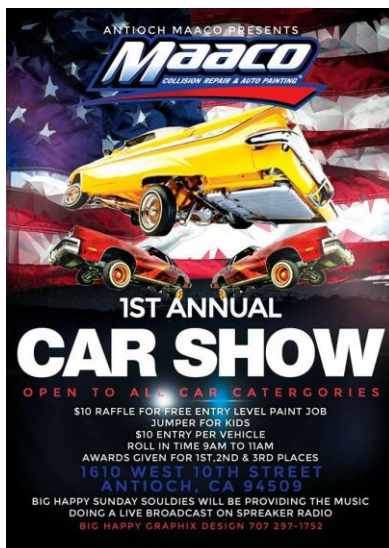


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Staff met on a couple of other important projects for Antioch. One with Delta Diablo to discuss the City's proposed Brackish Water Desalination Facility that would treat Delta river water when it has high salt content so it is able to be used for drinking and other potable uses building reliability into our drought susceptible region. The other meeting was with BART Director Joel Keller and BART staff to discuss development opportunities adjacent to the new station that is slated to open May 2018.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



This Saturday, September 23rd, Maaco of Antioch presents their 1st Annual Car Show which is open to all car models & categories! This is a family friendly fun event. There will be music provided by Big Happy Sunday Souldies, food, a bounce house for children, raffle, and awards for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place. There is a \$10 entry fee per vehicle. Stop by anytime from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location:
Maaco of Antioch
1610 West 10th Street

Don't miss the amateur cook-off at the 1st Annual Downtown Rivertown Brews and BBQ Cook-Off, this Saturday, September 23rd, on 3rd & G Streets. The Craft Beer Crawl will have you visit 10 local Rivertown Merchants pouring beer from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. There will be entertainment, food vendors & prizes. To enter there is a \$50 entry fee for BBQ teams or individuals. This year only Chicken and Ribs will be judged. You will be cooking for judging only and no BBQ will be sold to the public. Get your \$20 tickets online at Eventbrite or hard copy tickets are available at G Street Mercantile, Oddly Unique, Rivertown Treasure Chest, Urban Jumble & Almost There Travel stores downtown. BBQ registration forms are available at 314 G Street. For more information, call (925) 757-7941 or (925) 813-0036.





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Over 50+ agencies are expected to participate in the Senior Center's Annual Senior Resource Fair on Friday, September 29, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. This event is located at the Nick Rodriguez Community Center and is open to the public. Light refreshments and pastries will be provided and the first 250 patrons will receive a complimentary tote bag.

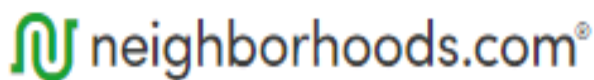


Food Truck Thursdays had another successful event at the Antioch Community Center! The Foodie Crew had a line-up of trucks including BBQ, gyros, pasta, and desserts. This is a food truck market that will take place every Thursday night from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and NOW

extended through October 26th! This event is sponsored in part by the City of Antioch Recreation Department and is presented by The Foodie Crew and United Bites Food Truck. Please come out and support this event. If you are interested in having your Food Truck or Dessert Truck at this event, or if you are a non-food vendor, email info@foodiecrew.com.



Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/311496855945551/>



Antioch is featured in the latest Neighborhoods.com which is an online real estate resource that helps people find the perfect home, as well as the ideal neighborhood; believing that the neighborhood you live in is just as important as the home you live in. The people, places, schools and amenities that surround your home have an enormous impact on your quality of life. Neighborhoods.com recently featured an article on Bay Area cities that experienced increased housing costs of more than 15 percent in the last five years. Of those, Antioch had an increase of 16 percent! What great news for our city and community! The link is below.

These 10 Bay Area Cities Are Experiencing the Fastest Housing Appreciation
[Read Article.](#)



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El Campanil Theatre
602 W. Second Street
Downtown Antioch
Tickets: www.ElCampanilTheatre.com or (925) 757-9500

El Campanil Children's Theatre
Fantastic Mr. Fox
By Roald Dahl

Friday, September 22, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 24, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.
General Seating

Roald Dahl's much-loved story follows the vain attempts of three farmers, Boggis, Bunce and Bean, one fat, one short, one lean, to get rid of the fox who regularly steals food from their farms. They try to kill him by any means possible. Outwitted at every turn, the farmers' plots backfire. Fantastic Mr. Fox devises a plan which will ensure full stomachs for not only his family, but all his friends, who celebrate with a sumptuous feast.



Tickets: Adults: \$12, Seniors (62& Over): \$10, Youth (17 & Under): \$8
Information/Buy Tickets: <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/fantastic-mr-fox.html>



Joel: The Band
Tribute to Billy Joel

Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.
Reserved Seating

JOEL The Band is the premier rock and roll Billy Joel Tribute band on the West Coast. Fresh off the national tour of Billy Joel's Tony Award-winning rock musical "MOVIN' OUT," Piano Man KYLE MARTIN and his

group of professional musicians have toured California and are preparing for their national tour later this year. The band performs Billy Joel's timeless repertoire including songs like "Big Shot," "Only the Good Die Young," "An Innocent Man," and "New York



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State of Mind.” They are blazing hot, and will have you on your feet rocking out. KYLE MARTIN made quite a name for himself amongst Broadway and Rock fans as he traveled to over 100 cities starring as the “Piano Man” in two separate National Tours of the Tony Award-winning Billy Joel/Twyla Tharp musical smash “MOVIN’ OUT.”

Tickets: Adults: \$27, Seniors (62 & Over): \$25, Youth (under 18): \$10

Information/Buy Tickets: <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/joel.html>

The Somersville Towne Center and the Midnighters Car Club team up to host a Car Show every Friday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Somersville Towne Center
2550 Somersville Road
Macy's Parking Lot



Freshest Cargo Downtown Tuesdays

Located at the Senior Center Parking Lot: 415 W 2nd Street



Website: <http://freshapproach.org/freshestcargo/>
FB Page: <https://www.facebook.com/FreshestCargo>



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**ENERGIZE YOUR
DESTINY**

BAY AREA - CA | CAREER & EDUCATION FORUM FOR WOMEN
INTERESTED IN TECHNICAL CAREERS

Wednesday, October 18, 2017
8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Los Medanos College
Recital Hall
2700 East Leland Road
Pittsburg, CA 94565

For more information or to register,
visit <https://tinyurl.com/EYDBayAreaCa> or call (925) 473-7417.

Registration is required to attend. Space is limited.

An Equal Opportunity Institution

The Los Medanos College Industrial Technology Program and Workforce Development Program are proud to partner with the Shell Oil Company on “Energize Your Destiny.”

This forum invites women to explore training and education programs in the trades and learn about professions in technical careers. LMC alumni now working at Shell Oil in Martinez will speak of their experiences, along with other successful Shell employees.

The Shell Oil Company fully sponsors this event and is providing guest speakers, resume reviews, an employee panel and more. Los Medanos College and other Bay Area colleges will be present to share information on various college training programs that can lead to careers at Shell. We invite you to share with interested parties who may benefit from attending.



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This event will feature:

- *Local Training Program Resource Fair
- *Shell Employee Speakers Including Los Medanos College Alumni
- *Resume Review by Shell Human Resources Staff
- *Information on how to Apply for Positions at Shell
- *Experiences from Los Medanos College – Shell Interns
- *Raffle prizes, lunch and more

Date: Wednesday, October 18, 2017

Location: Los Medanos College Recital Hall, MU-720

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Breakfast and lunch provided

Space is limited – please RSVP to ensure your spot! Registration is required to attend.

RSVP at: <https://tinyurl.com/EYDBayAreaCa>



For more information about Business mixers, events, or memberships check out the website calendar

[Chamber of Commerce Events](#)

Building Valuable Business Relationships

Power Hour Networking CCC EAST

FREE EVENT

Bi-weekly every
1st & 3rd Wed.
8:30 am - 10 am

Lone Tree Golf Course
4800 Golf Course Rd
Antioch, CA 94531

RSVP:
Eventbrite

Networking
Presentations
Business Training
Fun Social Atmosphere



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Check out our marketing videos for Antioch. Our beautiful City has so much to offer. This is just the start.



City Marketing Videos

We are currently working on the 2017 City Report. Do you have a story you think is worth writing about? Let us know and we will consider adding it to the report!

2016 City Report

Economic Business News to share? Please email izepeda@ci.antioch.ca.us for submittals and to share pictures, stories, links, or media releases on our social media outlets.



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<https://www.facebook.com/cityofantiochca/>

CITY CLERK

City Council Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the Council Chambers beginning at 7:00 p.m.

City Council Agendas, including Staff Reports for the September 26th Council Meeting, are posted onto our City's Website 72 hours before each Council Meeting. To be notified when the agenda packets are posted onto our City's Website, simply click on this link: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/notification-systems/> and enter your e-mail address to subscribe. To view the agenda information, click on the following link: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/> and then click 'City Council.'



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The City Clerk's office is accepting applications for the following Boards/Commission vacancies, with a deadline date to apply of October 13, 2017:

- Police Crime Prevention Commission – 3 Full-term vacancies
- Police Crime Prevention Commission – 1 Partial-term vacancy

Any interested resident is encouraged to apply. To be considered for these volunteer positions, a completed application must be received in the Office of the City Clerk by 4:30 p.m. on the dates listed above. Applications are available at www.ci.antioch.ca.us and at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 200 H Street, Antioch, CA 94509, (925) 779-7009, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Your interest and desire to serve our community is appreciated. A completed application and resume can be emailed to cityclerk@ci.antioch.ca.us, faxed to (925) 779-7007, sent by mail, or dropped off at City Hall in the Office of the City Clerk. Appointees are required to file a FPPC Form 700 "Statement of Economic Interests" within 30 days of their appointment by the City Council.

Deputy City Clerk Christina Garcia graduated from Technical Training for Clerks at UC Riverside last week and will be submitting her application to the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) to receive her Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation. Christina is following in the footsteps of City Clerk Arne Simonsen and former Antioch City Clerks Jolene Martin, Florence "Chickie" Rundall, and Dorothy "Dotty" Marks as Certified Municipal Clerks.



HUMAN RESOURCES

Hires/Reclassifications/Promotions:

- Laura Villasan was hired as a Water Quality Analyst for the Public Works Department on September 18, 2017.

Current Open Recruitments Include:

- Police Officer Lateral (continuous)
- Police Dispatcher Lateral (continuous)
- Police Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)
- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (part-time)
- Collection Systems Supervisor



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There are always exciting career opportunities with the City of Antioch. The City's open recruitments can be found on the Human Resources page of the City's website <http://ci.antioch.ca.us/Human-Resources>. Click on Job Opportunities or Promotional Opportunities, click on the job Position, click on Apply.

RECREATION



On Friday, September 15th, 60 residents and family members participated in the Fall Campfire. Special thanks to the naturalists from the Big Break Visitor Center for providing the nature program about owls living here in Antioch. Everyone enjoyed the 'smares at the end of the evening!

This week, a new youth class titled "Digging for Spaghetti Worms" began at the Antioch Community Center. The class focuses on experimenting with all kinds of textures, sounds and even smells to stimulate and develop children's intellectual, emotional and social abilities. Sensory activities also facilitate exploration and naturally encourage children to use scientific processes while they play, create, investigate and explore. Your senses are important!!

This week, there are now 16 participants enrolled in the specialized Anime and Manga Art program. This imaginative art of Japan is being offered by the Recreation Department and is very popular with young teens. Techniques taught show ways to draw people and characters expressively and accurately. Character building helps to bring characters to life.



On Saturday, September 16th, over 60 community members joined the Antioch Senior Citizens Club in its Hot Summer Nights Fundraiser and Car Show event. This program included a classic car show, live entertainment, vendors, and hot dogs and drinks.



On Saturday, September 16th, more than 2,000 residents and guests enjoyed the annual Delta Blues Festival in Waldie Plaza. The weather was perfect and the music even better! Visitors had access to food vendors, arts & crafts vendors, and more. This all volunteer organization gave away a second \$1,000 scholarship to a college-level music student just prior to the headliner performance. Congratulations on another successful year!



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Over the last week, 360 affordable, healthy meals were served through the CoCo Café. This program helps prevent heart attacks, depression, asthma and congestive heart failure. No membership or income requirements are required to eat at the CoCo Café. All supplies are provided by the County for participating cafés.



<https://www.facebook.com/antiochrecreation>

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Our local waterways thank you! Coastal Cleanup 2017 was another great day of volunteerism and eco-effort. At the Friday, September 15th Kayak Cleanup, eight paddlers found the coastline the cleanest we have seen it in the four years we have been doing this. We were still able to remove 103 pounds of debris and a boat, but we really had to work for it. On Saturday, September 16th, over 100 volunteers participated at our three check-in locations.



One of the most common items is still cigarette butts. There were larger items and general debris, as well, with approximately 40 cubic yards of debris collected overall. Special thanks to: the Rivertown Preservation Society for running the Marina check in, the Antioch Council of Teens for running the Prewett check in, and the Delta Protection Commission for running the check in at the Red Caboose.

CONGRATULATION TO JULIE HAAS-WAJDOWICZ!



On September 20th, our very own Julie Haas-Wajdowicz was honored with a Leadership in Sustainability Award from *Sustainable Contra Costa*, a regional consortium of organizations committed to improving the environment and promoting sustainable practices. Julie works endlessly to promote a variety of causes that all promote sustainable practices, environmental stewardship and community engagement. Whether it's working with



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interns to encourage and educate regarding recycling or leading major community clean-up days along the waterfront, Julie is the prime example of leadership in this very important field. Congratulations are well deserved!

Planning Commission. On September 20, 2017, the Planning Commission considered policy updates to the General Plan Land Use Element addressing the Sand Creek Focus Area and recommended that the City Council direct staff to develop a Supplemental Environmental Impact Report to evaluate the update's impacts. The City Council will consider this item at its October 24, 2017 meeting.

In addition, the Planning Commission considered a request from the developers of the Promenade-Vineyards at Sand Creek project for amendments to the Development Agreement and modifications to the project Conditions of Approval. The amendments would provide the developer with a project subsidy of up to \$3.1 million and would reduce the project's requirements to complete adjacent roadway improvements. The intent of these changes is to make the project more financially viable and to encourage its initiation sooner than later. The Planning Commission elected not to forward a recommendation to the City Council, but to take a neutral position. The City Council will consider this item at its October 24, 2017 meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS

Antioch Marina Launch Ramp – The 2017 Salmon run is here at Antioch!



As Fall approaches, the annual salmon run returns as fish head up river to spawn. This makes the Antioch Marina the ideal place to launch a boat into the San Joaquin River and catch your share of salmon.

You will not be alone, in 2016 we noticed an increase in fishermen using the launch and this year we had over 220 boat launches within a seven-day period. The good news keep coming; so far in 2017 the launch ramp has generated a 132% increase in boat launches compared to the same period in 2016.

So come on out and join the other fun loving boaters enjoying the Antioch riverfront. The low cost of \$5 per launch with direct access to some of the best fishing grounds on the Delta makes the Antioch Marina the place to get in the water and get fishing!





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Annual Passes are also available for a low cost of \$100. For more information on the launch ramp or for great rates at the Marina, please call (925) 779-6957 or go to: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/antioch-marina>.



The Public Works Street Maintenance Crew has made good progress repainting faded red curbs in our arterial and collector roads throughout the City this season. We have completed well over 50% of the work and will continue as long as the weather cooperates with us. Red curbs in our residential areas are next on the service list.

The first phase of this project is the hardest part as crews scrape and clean the curbs to ensure that the new paint will last as long as possible. The second and final phase is the application of the new paint using a painting striper. Crews ensure safety for all with a shadow truck following behind the striper. We use top quality paint that allows us to get at least 4+ years out of every round of red curb painting.

Striper Operator Greg T. is keeping it steady as he puts down red curb paint on Prewett Ranch Road. Closely in tow is veteran Street Crew member Dennis P. ensuring quality work and the overall safety of the moving operation.

The City paints red curbs strictly for regulatory reasons in public 'No Parking' zones. Despite popular belief, we do not paint around fire hydrants because vehicle code already states that it is unlawful to park in front of a hydrant. The freshly painted curbs add an aesthetic appeal to our community but unfortunately we do not come out and repaint isolated fading or red curbs with tire marks.



If you believe an additional red curb is needed in your area, your request will be evaluated by Assistant City Engineer Lynne Filson before it can be *installed*.



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Capital Improvements. Southwest Pipelines and Trenchless Corporation has completed the installation of cured-in-place pipe liners within many of the existing sanitary sewer pipelines in the downtown area in association with the Downtown Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project. We would like to thank all of the impacted residences and businesses for helping make this a successful project.

Ghilotti Construction has commenced construction on the Community Development Block Grant Downtown Roadway Pavement Rehabilitation project. New curb ramps have been installed at the intersection of 8th and F Streets and ramps are under construction at the intersection of 8th and E Streets. The Contractor is scheduled to continue installation of curb ramps in the work area over the next several weeks. Traffic patterns and street parking will be affected during this work. For the safety of our residents and the workers, please adhere to all construction signage.



<https://www.facebook.com/City-of-Antioch-Public-Works-566519033543711/>

POLICE

On September 9th, Antioch Police observed a stolen Chevrolet Suburban traveling south on Cavallo Road at an extremely high rate of speed. Officers searched the area in attempts to locate the vehicle and found it crashed into the side of a residence located in the 2700 block of Garrow Drive.

When officers arrived, residents from the home advised them there was a young girl and her mother trapped inside a bedroom where the truck had crashed. Officers went into the home, were able to breach the doorway, and rescued the young girl and her mother from the bedroom. Although the stolen vehicle had crashed through the exterior wall of the home and came to a stop on top of a bed, about two feet from where people had been sleeping, no one was injured.

After this harrowing incident, officers from the graveyard crew who worked that night came together and made a large gift basket for the young girl and her family in hopes of raising their spirits and supporting them through this traumatic experience. Last week, the family received a personal tour of the police department and the graveyard crew was able to personally give them the gift basket!



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The Antioch Police Department is excited to announce the **85th** installment of the Neighborhood Cleanup Program. This is a collaborative community effort which involves active participation from the Antioch Police Department Crime Prevention Commission, Neighborhood Watch Program, Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS), community volunteers and the Public Works Department

Collectively, **"We"**, everyone who works and lives in the City of Antioch, can make a difference and improve the quality of life. This is our community and this is our chance to make a difference.

The City of Antioch Neighborhood Cleanup program is not just for residential neighborhoods. This is a program that will change venues on a monthly basis and will include business and commercial areas, as well. Neighborhoods that are free of trash and refuse are inviting, and a clean community instills a sense of community pride.

WE CARE NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP



OUR COMMUNITY LETS MAKE A DIFFERENCE !



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The **85th** Neighborhood Cleanup event will occur on **Saturday, October 7, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** We will be cleaning the neighborhood near San Jose Drive, Buchanan, Carmona, Lopez, Seville Circle, Petar Place and Lucena Way. Volunteers will park and meet in the parking lot of Antioch Covenant Church located at 1919 Buchanan Road (***parking accessible via Lucena Way***).

Volunteers will receive instructions and the equipment necessary to accomplish the goal. The targeted area is within walking distance. Excluding inclement weather, future Neighborhood Cleanup events are scheduled for the first Saturday of every month and the locations will be announced in advance.



<https://www.facebook.com/AntiochPolice/>

Animal Services. Tuesdays are always crazy days at Antioch Animal Services, but this last Tuesday was crazy in a good way! Six animals found their forever homes through adoption (five dogs and one cat) and six dogs were returned to their owners. All of these dogs were big, which take up the most room here at AAS. All together, approximately 400 pounds of doggy left the building!!! The work wasn't done for the week. AAS was also visited by East Bay SPCA (who pulled a total of 23 animals) and Throw Me a Bone Dog Rescue (who took four dogs). Pawsitively Safe Rescue also pulled four cats from one of our foster families. To end the week, one of our longest residents, Mr. Mann the bull terrier (who has experienced several bouts of sickness), was transported by an AAS volunteer to a shelter partner in El Dorado County! It takes a village.





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One of the most common calls we receive at Antioch Animal Services is for wildlife removal from residential areas. Normally, the wildlife in question is not sick or injured but misunderstood. None is more misunderstood than our neighborhood "clean-up crew" – the opossum. Opossums may be ugly but they are harmless and provide many beneficial services to neighborhoods. So if you see one around your yard, just ignore it. He's likely more afraid of you than you are of him.



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