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# City of Wood Village May 2016

## The Village News

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# EGGSPLOSION!

The City's 28<sup>th</sup> annual Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success. We had over 15,000 eggs filled with candy and prize tickets for the nearly 2,500 guests that attended the event. Families started to arrive a little after 8:30am, but we were ready with free face painting and other crafts courtesy of Emilio Inc. We also had free egg dying kits for the first 400 guests. While the Easter Bunny did not arrive on a helicopter this year, the Easter Bunny did arrive right on time at 9am courtesy of Weston Buick/GMC/Kia.



The hunt started at 10am for kids with special needs, followed by separate hunts for children aged 3-4, 5-6, and 7-9. By 11am it was all over. We made sure that every child left with some eggs and candy, and we even gave out 22 special prizes to those that were lucky enough to find a prize egg.

This event was made possible because of the support and generosity of over 70 volunteers, and numerous businesses which donated money and supplies. We would like to thank the following businesses and organizations for their support: the Wood Village Walmart, Wood Village 76 Gas Station, Brasher's Auto Body, The Chapel, the Wood Village Lowe's, Weston Buick/GMC/Kia, The Fraternal Order of the Eagles #4515, and The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office. We also want to give a very special thanks to Emilio Inc. who not only

provided the free face painting and crafts, but they also provided over 70 volunteers to help with the event. This very special group named after Emilio Hoffman conducts service projects and activities all around the community. To find out how you can join or support this great organization, just check out their webpage at: [www.EmilioInc.org](http://www.EmilioInc.org). This was a great year for the event, and we hope to see you next year!



# TOWN CENTER MASTER PLAN COMMUNITY MEETING

The City continues to work with a consulting team lead by Parsons Brinckerhoff consultants to complete the work needed to prepare alternate potential master plans for the Town Center. The work, funded by a grant from the Transportation Growth Management program, is taking the hundreds of comments received from regional residents about the future of the Town Center and turning the comments into potential plans.

We were delighted to receive input from a wide range of regional residents about the Town Center. Special focus groups were conducted with Latino, Russian, Ukrainian, Vietnamese, and Laotian communities along with general community meetings where we had dozens of participants. A community survey also resulted in significant additional input to the process. In general, residents identified:

1. Community members want the Town Center to provide more gathering places, including family entertainment, public parks and plazas, and a community market.
2. Developers see limited opportunity for more “big box” retail, but that smaller retail will bring more activity to the Town Center.
3. Community members want more pedestrian and bicycle access and amenities.
4. Most stakeholders support residential development in varying low to mid-density mixes. Developers see a lot of potential for residential uses, especially multifamily housing.
5. The Town Center could be better connected to the community around it via multimodal transportation options.
6. The community supports a family-friendly entertainment center with a regional draw, indoor/outdoor uses and year-round programming.



The team is now translating the information received into alternate plans for consideration by the community, and eventually by the Planning Commission and the City Council. The landowners in the area will also have an opportunity to provide further input on how they would like to see their lands planned for future use.

A community meeting will be conducted Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:00 PM at the Wood Village Baptist Church, 23601 NE Arata Rd. We do hope you can put this on your calendar and plan to attend!

# CITY OF WOOD VILLAGE, OREGON

## 2016-17 BUDGET



Oregon Local Budget Law requires each local governmental unit to prepare and adopt an annual balanced budget. A budget is a **financial plan** containing estimates of revenues and expenditures by fund for a single fiscal year. Our Budget Committee met on April 21, 2016 and approved a budget for the City Council to review and adopt, as is or with changes, at a Public Hearing during their June 14, 2016 City Council meeting, beginning at 6pm.

All appearances are that the economy has turned a corner and is finally on a steady upswing. During the past eight years of economic uncertainty, Wood Village continued service levels and maintained our financial reserves without cutbacks that other cities were forced to endure. Therefore, we are in an even stronger position to face the future demands of our growing community.

Here are some quick facts about the Wood Village budget:

- 🌲 Our major income is from property taxes.
  - Property tax revenue in 2016-17 is expected to be \$800,750
  - Public Safety (Police, Fire, & 911) will cost \$918,535 this year
  
- 🌲 Wood Village is proud to acknowledge that we have the second lowest incorporated city property tax rate in the Portland metro area:
  - Maywood Park = 1.95/\$1000 of assessed value
  - Wood Village = 3.1262
  - Fairview = 3.4902
  - Gresham = 3.6129
  - Troutdale = 3.7652
  - Milwaukie = 4.1291
  - Portland = 4.5770
  - Lake Oswego = 4.5884 (or 4.9703 if within the school district area)
  
- 🌲 The City of Wood Village has absolutely no outstanding debt, so we can use our resources for current expenses rather than paying principal and interest on prior purchases. (Think of this as credit card debt: Wood Village has no monthly payments for credit card debt).
  
- 🌲 Our budget has been planned to utilize only current revenues for current expenditures during the year. Differing from the Federal Government, the City of Wood Village does not engage in deficit spending; local cities by law are not allowed to overspend their budget.
  
- 🌲 Increases in employee health insurance costs are split between the City and the employees.

The budget is comprised of four funds. Below are the current year (15-16) and upcoming year (16-17) expenditures by fund, along with the percentage change. Funds are strictly limited: they cannot go over

budget and money earned or budgeted in one fund cannot be moved to another fund. (i.e. Water user fees can **only** be used to pay for water fund expenses).

FUNDS	ADOPTED BUDGET FY 2015-16	PROPOSED BUDGET FY 2016-17	PERCENT CHANGE
General Fund	\$4,611,246	\$5,175,390	12.23%
Street Fund	\$884,056	\$993,185	17.67%
Water Fund	\$1,484,266	\$1,770,807	19.31%
Sewer Fund	\$1,499,512	\$1,138,889	-24.05%
<b>TOTAL PROPOSED EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$8,439,080</b>	<b>\$9,078,271</b>	<b>7.58%</b>

The General Fund, as the major operating fund for the City, includes such organizational units as general government, administration, parks, and public works management. The general government unit is comprised of city council activities and the administration unit includes executive, city recorder, finance, public safety contracts, building permit, land use planning and zoning, and economic development services.

Major capital projects for this year include:

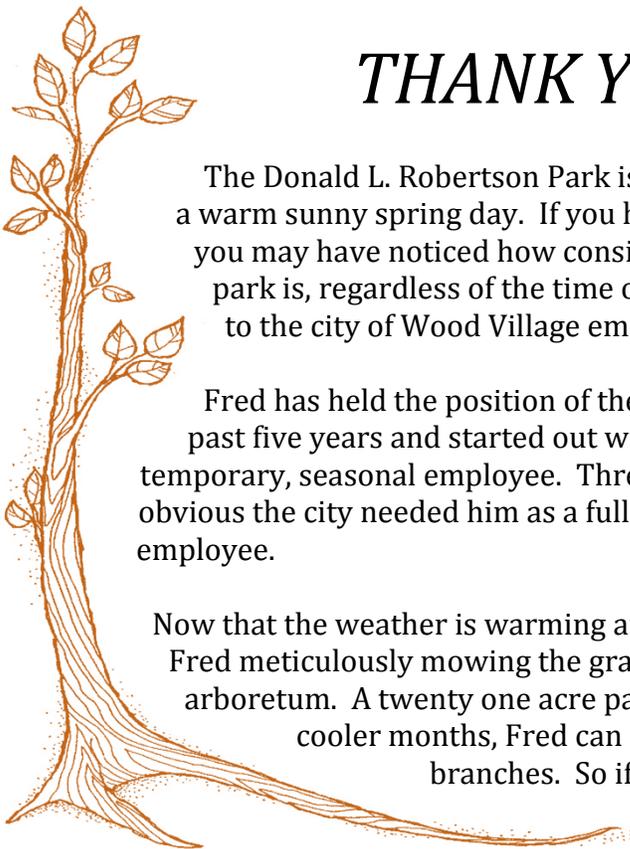
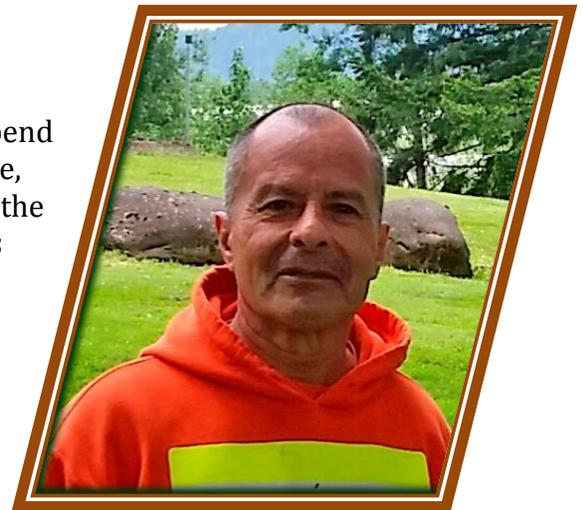
- 🌱 Improving an entire segment of roadway in Wood Village beginning with replacing the underground sewer and water lines and capping it with a street overlay
- 🌱 A walking trail connecting City Hall and Bridge Street in Fairview (Interceptor Trail)
- 🌱 A water line for fire hydrants into the Wood Village Green Mobile Home park
- 🌱 A tractor and pick-up truck to replace those two items that are worn out
- 🌱 A new City entry sign at the east city border along Halsey

## THANK YOU FRED!

The Donald L. Robertson Park is a wonderful place to spend a warm sunny spring day. If you have spent any time there, you may have noticed how consistently well maintained the park is, regardless of the time of year. This is all thanks to the city of Wood Village employee Fred Ramirez.

Fred has held the position of the groundskeeper for the past five years and started out with the city as a temporary, seasonal employee. Three years ago, it was obvious the city needed him as a full time, permanent employee.

Now that the weather is warming and the grass is growing faster than ever, you might find Fred meticulously mowing the grass on the baseball fields or adding mulch to the trees at the arboretum. A twenty one acre park is a lot to maintain, regardless of the season. In the cooler months, Fred can still be found at the park cleaning up leaves or downed branches. So if you happen to be strolling through the park enjoying the weather and see Fred hard at work, feel free to introduce yourself and say "hi".



# CITY OF WOOD VILLAGE COMMUNITY WIDE



**One Square Mile of Bargains**

**MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND: MAY 27-29<sup>TH</sup>**

Check out our Webpage for a listing of great sales!

[www.ci.Wood-Village.or.us](http://www.ci.Wood-Village.or.us)



# 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL WOOD VILLAGE COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Ready, Set, Sell! The 1<sup>st</sup> annual Wood Village Community Garage sale is set for Memorial Day Weekend: May 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>

- **How it Works:** The City will advertise with several large signs, in the newspaper and online, about our one-square mile of sales. All you need to do is have stuff to sell at your home or business. You can have a sale for one day, two days, all three days, or none of the days – your choice. We do the advertising for May 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>.
- **Who Can Participate:** Anyone and Everyone! This includes homes, businesses, condos, apartments, and manufactured home parks. If you live or have a business in Wood Village, you can be part of this great new event. Feel free to invite friends and family to sell items at your sale too.
- **How to Sign Up:** You do not have to sign up to be part of this event, but if you do your location will be highlighted on a “Sale Location” map on the event’s webpage. As an added bonus, the first 50 people to sign up will get an official Wood Village Community Garage Sale sign to place in their yard (limit one per household, business park, or multi-family development). You can sign up on the City’s webpage, at City Hall, or by calling Greg Dirks at 503-489-6854.
- **Next Steps:** Sign up for the event, gather up your unwanted items, and have your sale on Memorial Day Weekend. Don’t want to have a sale but have unwanted items? You can donate them to Emilio Inc. on Sunday May 29<sup>th</sup> from 12-5pm at the Wood Village City Hall parking lot. Emilio Inc. is a non-profit service organization looking for resalable items for their upcoming rummage sale to fund school supplies for needy kids. Your leftover sale items can also be dropped off at the City’s Cleanup Day event on June 4<sup>th</sup> (see separate flyer for those details).



# **WOOD VILLAGE Annual Cleanup Day**

**Saturday, June 4th      9am – 2pm**

**Wood Village Baptist Church: 23601 NE Arata Road**

**This is a Free event, but a donation of two cans of food for our Snowcap Food drive is suggested.**

**Proof of Wood Village residency will be required. Proof can be in the form of a State issued ID card, or Wood Village Utility Bill that is in your name.**

**Reusable Item Area: All reusable items that are dropped off will be available to take for free. All remaining reusable furniture will be donated at the end of the event.**

**Load limit of 1 pickup truck, or 8 foot trailer per trip. Please see the reverse side for a full list of accepted items.**

**Elderly assistance is available to those who qualify. Please call City Hall, or view our webpage for more information. Assistance applications must be turned in by 4:30pm on Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Individually billed Waste Management customers can set out up to five (5) extra bags of garbage on Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at no charge.**



**Metro**



**Items Accepted at the Wood Village Cleanup Day Drop Off Event: 9am-2pm**  
**Wood Village Baptist Church - 23601 NE Arata Road**

<b>Bulky Waste – YES</b>	<b>Bulky Waste – NOT ACCEPTED</b>
Furniture – Reusable furniture will be donated	Food
Mattress/box spring	Clothes
Toilets	Electronic Items
Sinks	Ashes
Tubs	Pianos/Organs
Carpeting & pads (rolled, tied & cut into 3 ft. pieces not to exceed 1 ft. in diameter)	Mirrors
Refrigerators, freezers	Household Garbage/Waste
Washers, dryers	Dirt
Microwave Ovens	Rocks
Water heaters	Sod
Bicycles	<b>Yard Debris – See Below</b>
BBQ grills (gas or propane tanks must be empty, the valve completely removed)	Concrete
Lawnmowers (drain oil & gas)	Bricks
Air conditioners	Roofing material
Other Scrap metal (no oil in apparatus)	Fluorescent fixtures
Tires (on & off rim)	<b>Construction materials – including but not limited to: doors, windows, siding, sheetrock, lumber, plywood, vinyl floor</b>
Call Greg Dirks at City Hall with any questions 503-489-6854 GregD@ci.Wood-Village.or.us  <b>Remember – This is a drop off event. Proof of Wood Village Residency will be required at both sites</b>	Oil
	Paint
	Gasoline
	<b>Hazardous Waste/Chemicals – including but not limited to: solvents, cleaning products, batteries, lawn, garden and pool chemicals</b>

**Yard Debris Accepted from 9am-2pm at**  
**Troutdale Transfer Station - 869 NW Eastwind Drive, in Troutdale**

<b>Yard Debris – YES</b>	<b>Yard Debris – NOT ACCEPTED</b>
Leaves, grass clippings, sod, weeds, vines, vegetative material from the yard	Dirt, rocks, stumps, ashes, and other solid waste items
Branches less than 4” in diameter and 36” in length	Branches larger than 4” in diameter or 36” in length



**Metro**



# DEVELOPMENT HAPPENINGS



The Wood Village City Council approved an updated master plan for the vacant lands between the Riverwood subdivision at Wood Village Boulevard and Arata and the Lowe's location. The 5.7 acres had been planned for office construction under the prior plan, and will now be a single family residential development. The developer of the property, Greg Michelson, is the same developer that originally created the Wood Village Town Center, so he has a long history in Wood Village.

The specifics of how a subdivision will be laid out on the property and how many homes will be constructed remain subject to hearings before the Planning Commission, but the decision has been reached that will allow this development to proceed.

Another development is pending in the Town Center, the construction of a new Auto Zone auto parts retail store. This construction is slated to start next month and take about 90 days from the start of construction to the completion of the store.



The City is delighted to announce the successful relocation of GROVTEC, LLC, a machining manufacturing company. The company has invested over \$5 Million dollars in their new location at 23555 NE Halsey (The former location for LBL Windows). Bob Grover and his company have relocated about 65 jobs, and plan to add to their manufacturing capacity to employ 90 individuals within the next five (5) years. The company has been working on the completion of the improvements to the buildings, and has received temporary occupancy. We welcome this great manufacturer to Wood Village.

Another enterprise zone recipient is KCR Manufacturing. Located off 244<sup>th</sup> in Wood Village, owner Chris and Karmenn Holden have developed a market for their drip torch products as well as custom machining and precision parts. Chris is acquiring significant additional equipment to add to their manufacturing capacity. Along with GROVTEC, LLC and other local manufactures, KCR's expansion is a delightful addition to our local economy.

Brasher's Auto Auctions, the Portland area wholesale vehicle market has completed improvements to a new building on their property north of Sandy Blvd in Wood Village. The company has announced the sale of the operation to ADESA, a nationwide operator of vehicle auctions, renovation, and transportation. ADESA has indicated there would be no major changes to the Wood Village operation.



The demolition permit for the old Multnomah Greyhound Park facilities has been issued. Demolition of the buildings on the site are expected to take about three months, with the first sixty days dealing with the kennels, announcing and ticketing buildings as well as the abatement of hazardous materials that are in the current stadium building (mostly asbestos). The Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde are financing the

demolition, and will join with the City in sponsoring a ceremony to acknowledge the important role the Multnomah Greyhound Park played in the development and the economy of Wood Village. Check the City web page for announcements about this event as we complete scheduling. There is no current plan for what will be constructed at the site. The Town Center planning work that will make a big difference to the options at the site is discussed in a separate article in this newsletter.

# TRAILBLAZERS!

The City has just completed the trail enhancement project extending from the southwest corner ball field to the overlook at the southern boundary of the Donald L. Robertson Park (DLR). The trail improvements included extensive spring and stormwater collection and discharge in order to eliminate the soggy and often impassable sections of trail, new timber stairs to the overlook, creative landscape and hardscape design and additional trees and a discovery path through the arboretum.

Not only was the path raised several inches but stormwater and spring water has been diverted into contoured swales and small detention ponds, and then planted with reeds, sedges, vine maple, Oregon grape and additional varieties of native wetland plants.



The DLR Park trail has been previously designed and has been funded through a Metro's Nature in Neighborhoods grant and a Local Government Grant Program through Oregon State Parks and Recreation Trails grant. Henderson LLC, a creative and innovative wetland and natural area design and construction company, lead the way in producing a beautiful addition to our existing wetland.

## CITY COUNCIL POSITIONS UP FOR ELECTION

One June 1<sup>st</sup>, the City will be accepting applications for candidates to run for City Council at the November 8, 2016 General Election. There are three available positions, and each position is for a four-year term. Candidates must have lived within the City for at least one year as of November 8<sup>th</sup> 2016, and Councilors serve on a volunteer basis without pay.



The City Council is responsible for setting policies for the entire City.

In addition to policy making, the Council also sets and approves the yearly work plan, special programs and events, and the annual City budget. Council

members work closely with the Parks and Planning Commissions, as well as the other area cities. The City Council generally meets twice a month on the second and fourth Tuesday. All meetings are open to the public, and we encourage you to stop in for a meeting to see the great work that these dedicated volunteers do.

All completed election forms must be turned into the City Hall on or before August 30<sup>th</sup>. For more information, or to obtain a Council Election Packet please stop by City Hall, or visit our website at [www.ci.wood-village.or.us](http://www.ci.wood-village.or.us)

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Save the Date! The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual City Nite out is scheduled for Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-9pm. This annual event which features free food, music, children's activities, and police demonstrations will once again be held at the Wood Village Baptist Church on Arata. The event will kick off with an emergency vehicle parade along Halsey, the Town Center, and Arata Road, and the landing of at least one helicopter. Look for more information on the City's webpage, or in the July newsletter. See you on July 15<sup>th</sup>!

## THE GRAFFITI FREE ZONE

The City has been making great progress on preventing and removing graffiti. From City crew members promptly removing graffiti in the right of way, to residents and business owners cleaning up graffiti on their property, Wood Village is sending a powerful message that graffiti is not welcome here. We even have several signs around the community letting people know that we will prosecute graffiti vandalism. We still have our no cost kits that you can use to remove graffiti from your property as well. You can learn more about these kits on our website, or stop by City Hall. Remember, you can also report graffiti using our online reporting tool. Let's be a graffiti free City!

## 238<sup>TH</sup> DR ISLAND RENOVATION PROJECT

The 238<sup>th</sup> Dr. Island Renovation project is well underway with the removal of all the old vegetation, irrigation and river rock. Next steps: irrigation, topsoil, hardscape, landscape material and the installation of a split granite rock facing to the concrete island barriers.

The City has contracted with a local landscape design and maintenance company, Valley West, to begin work on the islands on 238<sup>th</sup> with plantings that will better withstand the harsh and exposed environment experienced in that location and also employing some design elements that speak to the Northwest and Mt. Hood/Timberline Lodge aesthetic.

Because these islands are frequently the introduction of our City to visitors, the City desired to have architectural and textural features that would be remembered after leaving town. Granite rock facing similar to other Cascadian structures in the Columbia Gorge will be added to the raised entry sign location and annual, seasonal plantings will add much needed color and texture to the 238<sup>th</sup> corridor. All the trees will remain and continue to grow and add their beauty to the city landscape.



## HALSEY SEWER LINE PROJECT FINISHED

The Halsey St. Sanitary Sewer Capacity Upgrade project is complete. As one of the major capital Improvement projects identified in the utility master plans adopted over the last few years, this project not only eliminates a large amount of ground water infiltration entering the sanitary sewer system, but it also will accommodate the expected growth of the Town Center and future plans for residential and commercial development.

Paving was accomplished April 15<sup>th</sup> and all lanes and driveways are now reopened on NE Halsey St. Despite delays beyond their control such as permitting and Multnomah County construction requirements, Jesse Rodriguez Construction maintained the construction schedule and remained within the budget approved by the City. The entire project went very smoothly due in major part to the collaboration of Multnomah County,

Jesse Rodriguez Construction, Century West's engineers Ron Weigel and Rawley Voorhies, and Wood Village staff.

## GET PREPARED NOW!

A disaster supplies kit is simply a collection of basic items your household may need in the event of an emergency. Try to assemble your kit well in advance of an emergency. You may have to evacuate at a moment's notice and take essentials with you. You will probably not have time to search for the supplies you need or shop for them.

You may need to survive on your own after an emergency. This means having your own food, water and other supplies in sufficient quantity to last for at least 72 hours. Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster but they cannot reach everyone immediately. You could get help in hours or it might take days. Additionally, basic services such as electricity, gas, water, sewage treatment and telephones may be cut off for days or even a week, or longer. Your supplies kit should contain items to help you manage during these outages.

There are many useful websites to use as resources for specific kits. The American Red Cross is one for basic first aid kits at [www.redcrossstore.org/home](http://www.redcrossstore.org/home). Or [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) for all the various emergencies and the appropriate kit ideas to assemble.



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**City Council Meetings:**

May 10<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM  
May 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM  
Jun 14<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM  
Jun 30<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM

<b>City Services:</b>		<b>Emergencies</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>Wood Village City Hall</b>		<b>Mult County Sheriff</b>	<b>503-823-3333</b>
<b>Water &amp; Sewer</b>	<b>503-667-6211</b>	<b>Gresham Fire Dept</b>	<b>503-618-2355</b>
<b>Building Permits</b>	<b>503-667-6211</b>	<b>Abandoned Vehicles</b>	<b>503-823-3333</b>
<b>Other Services:</b>		<b>DEQ Burning Info</b>	<b>503-618-3083</b>
<b>Waste Management</b>	<b>503-249-8078</b>	<b>Animal Control</b>	<b>503-248-3066</b>
<b>Frontier</b>	<b>800-921-8101</b>	<b>Reynolds School District</b>	<b>503-661-7200</b>
<b>PGE</b>	<b>503-228-6322</b>	<b>East Metro Mediation</b>	<b>503-618-3247</b>
<b>Power outages</b>	<b>503-464-7777</b>	<b>Multnomah County Commissioner:</b>	
<b>Streetlight outages</b>	<b>503-736-5710</b>	<b>Diane McKeel, District 4</b>	<b>503-988-5213</b>
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