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## MINUTES

### Legislative Assembly Management Committee

Tuesday, October 30, 2018

3:00 p.m.

Douglas Fir Committee Room (Room 226)  
Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C.

**Members Present:** Hon. Darryl Plecas (Speaker and Chair); Garry Begg, MLA; Jagrup Brar, MLA; Hon. Mike Farnworth, MLA; Sonia Furstenau, MLA; Mary Polak, MLA; Janet Routledge, MLA; Jackie Tegart, MLA

**Legislative Assembly Officials Present:** Craig James, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; Kate Ryan-Lloyd, Deputy Clerk and Clerk of Committees; Gary Lenz, Sergeant-at-Arms; Hilary Woodward, Executive Financial Officer; Brian Urquhart, Director, Financial Services

**Others in Attendance:** Carol Bellringer, Auditor General; Paul Nyquist, Office of the Auditor General

1. The Chair called the Committee to order at 3:02 p.m.
2. **Resolved**, that the Committee approve the agenda. (Jackie Tegart, MLA)
3. **Resolved**, that the Committee approve the minutes of December 13, 2017 as circulated. (Jackie Tegart, MLA)
4. The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and other Legislative Assembly officials provided the Committee with an update on various Assembly matters and projects, including:
  - *Members' Remuneration and Pension Act*: Public Service Pension Plan Rule Changes;
  - Accessibility on precinct grounds;
  - Business continuity planning; and
  - Preparation of *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, 5th edition
5. The Committee recessed from 3:20 p.m. to 3:31 p.m.
6. The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and other Legislative Assembly officials continued to provide the Committee with further updates on other Assembly projects, including:
  - Budget preparations, 2019-2020;
  - Preparation of *Accountability Report, 2017-18*
  - Major capital projects update, 2018-19; and
  - Long term capital plan update.
7. The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly provided the Committee with a draft schedule of future meetings of the Legislative Assembly Management Committee and the Finance and Audit Committee.

8. **Resolved**, that the Committee meet *in-camera* to discuss legislative security. (Garry Begg, MLA)
9. The Committee met *in-camera* from 3:44 p.m. to 4:27 p.m.
10. The Committee adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m. and will meet next on Thursday, November 22, 2018.

**Hon. Darryl Plecas, MLA**  
**Speaker and Chair**

**Craig James**  
**Clerk of the Legislative Assembly**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2018

The committee met at 3:02 p.m.

[Mr. Speaker in the chair.]

### Approval of Agenda and Minutes

**Mr. Speaker:** Thank you, everybody, for being here. Good afternoon. Our session today is essentially an information session. No decisions to be made.

We'll begin by asking for approval of the agenda.

**J. Tegart:** So moved.

**Mr. Speaker:** Great.

Secondly, a review and approval of the previous minutes.

Do we have someone to move the approval of those? Jackie, okay.

**Mr. Speaker:** Now we'll move to the Clerk's update.

### Clerk's Update

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** Thank you very much, Members, for the opportunity to brief you this afternoon on a variety of different initiatives that we have been pursuing over the past number of months. With me, as you know, are Kate Ryan-Lloyd, the Deputy Clerk and Clerk of Committees; Hilary Woodward, the executive financial officer; and Gary Lenz, the Sergeant-at-Arms and Black Rod.

As I go through my update, they will be jumping in to talk about different things that they are responsible for and what they've been doing over the course of time as well. Throughout our presentations, if you would like to interrupt us and ask questions or seek clarification or add a comment or two, that's perfectly acceptable.

Under my update, you can see that we have finance and audit committee previous meetings. I had a list of the number of times that the finance and audit committee has met this calendar year. Feverishly, the committee has been meeting, as some of you know because you're on that committee, a number of times since the House commenced or resumed sitting in October.

There are probably at least three if not four more finance and audit committee meetings planned to deal with a variety of matters, including but not limited to a major project regarding the respectful workplace policy for members and staff and other occupants of the Legislative Assembly and also a number of other issues, some of which include decisions by the CRA in relation to the taxation of certain allowances for members.

[3:05 p.m.]

The expectation was that at this meeting, we would be in a position to bring forward the respectful workplace policy for this committee to consider, but it is a very complicated mat-

ter. As you know, the mix of players in parliament is varied and sundry, from cabinet to public service employees; ministerial assistants to members themselves, who enjoy parliamentary privilege and to the extent that that would apply in any kind of harassment issue or case. We have staff, employees of the Legislative Assembly. There's caucus staff.

The mix and intertwining of complaints is very, very complex indeed. So we've been very methodical in our review of the respectful workplace policy. Not speaking for the committee, I think we're getting closer and closer as the days roll on in terms of arriving at a consensus in terms of the policy to bring forward to you for your consideration.

As we all know, issues such as the respectful workplace policy, which is what we are calling ours, are not only complex, but they're evolutionary. They're not static. They don't stay in one moment in time. They evolve, and there will be some recognition for regular reviews — six-month or a year — in terms of the application of the policy and problems or issues that may have arisen with the processes inherent in the policy itself that may be approved by the committee.

Under finance and audit committee previous minutes.... I did circulate, yesterday, draft minutes of the finance and audit committee meetings to date. You're not being asked to approve them. They are in very rough form, and we just wanted to give you a taste and flavour of what's been happening with the finance and audit committee over the course of time.

They will be brought by the finance and audit committee, hopefully, when it next meets with you, which is scheduled. I have a list of the schedule here for members to consider.

The Members Remuneration and Pensions Act public pension plan rule changes. I'll let Hilary describe that, being the pension guru in the place.

Hilary, would you mind?

I'll turn it over to Hilary in terms of her presentation on this particular issue, which affects one member.

**H. Woodward:** One member, yes.

This is a bit of a technical issue. I'll keep it brief, and I'll probably come back at the November 22 meeting, assuming that's the schedule, to speak more to this. This is specific to the B.C. public service pension plan.

The finance and audit committee had two representatives come from that plan to present. They had recently conducted a review, and they identified some inconsistencies between the public service pension plan and the Income Tax Act. Those inconsistencies addressed two areas.

One was maximum contribution limits. In the MLA plan, there's a 20-year maximum contribution limit. The other piece was the age 71 limit, which is for the Income Tax Act. The other piece is, as Mr. Clerk was mentioning, an issue where you have a situation where a member can't both draw from the pension plan and contribute at the same time. In this case, we have one member in that situation.

We had a presentation on that and discussed a series of options on how to address those situations. The committee

came back and determined that a legislative amendment to the Members Remuneration and Pensions Act is the best route to go forward with.

Again, as I mentioned, it's a fairly complicated issue in terms of what needs to be done. But what's happening is that the inconsistencies.... Because it's inconsistent with the Income Tax Act, we need to make some changes to that.

**Hon. M. Farnworth:** What would be the effect of those changes?

**H. Woodward:** The first one, and it's being administratively applied right now, would be to clarify the Members Remuneration and Pensions Act for the maximum contribution limit of the 20 years, in addition to the cap at age 71. That is the simpler of the two. The second would be the legislative amendment for the issue of both drawing and receiving a plan.

[3:10 p.m.]

I should clarify that, just a bit of background. The MLA plan is within the public service pension plan, so it's what we refer to as a host plan. The issue is that because there's just the one host plan and you can't do the piece, the recommendation is to make a legislative amendment to the act to have more than one host plan. In that case, you wouldn't just have the public service plan. It would also include the college, the municipal and the school.

The issue comes down to the fact of.... When the committee was discussing it, it was fairness, in a sense. If a member had previous employment with an employer that was with the B.C. public service, and was under the public service pension plan, and then ultimately and subsequently became a member, because the MLA plan is within the public service plan, they are restricted from having the pension. Whereas if there was a member that was, perhaps, a college professor...

**Hon. M. Farnworth:** In another pension plan?

**H. Woodward:** ...in another pension plan, the same situation would not apply. From a fairness aspect, the legislative amendment is the recommended option to address that. In that case, it would be, essentially, that a member would be even more portable among the plans. So that's the proposed solution.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** One of the issues that arose, and I think we were notified by the Pension Corp.... There was a handful of members who were actually in this predicament who were contributing to the pension plan with no effect. So there was no offsetting contribution from anywhere else. That, in essence, enabled us to work with the Pension Corp., who have been very good in terms of allowing us to help those members in question, who now have not been contributing to the plan, subject to some resolution of this problem through the finance and audit committee and LAMC and, ultimately, the government.

Any other questions? If not, we can move on to accessibility.

As you know, we've been working very hard on making this place easier to access for persons with disabilities. We have a number of ramps outside. You may have noticed, out front, some construction where, as part of our renewal of the front driveway — which is now on hold, and Hilary will be able to speak to that in more detail — we are still continuing with some curved ramps, which will make it easier for people, especially during events, to leave this place on the driveway and get to the front lawns and the fountain without having to go all the way around and then back up to the fountain. That's a project which is ongoing right now.

Hilary, do you have any comment on that?

**H. Woodward:** Only just in terms of timing. As you can see, the work is underway. We anticipate that work to be complete by the end of November, the two accessibility ramps.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** As part of this entire project, we had received approval from LAMC to proceed with redoing the entire front driveway. But with construction costs being what they are, the cost escalated from an initial estimate of \$500,000 to about \$1.5 million over time. So it was thought that we would just put the whole thing on hold, wait for the market to cool down a bit, and then maybe tackle the reconstruction of the front driveway.

In the meantime, we are going to be patching those areas that we feel are hazardous to walk on. We did have a woman — I think I mentioned to you some time ago — who tripped and hurt herself very badly and was able to receive immediate medical attention from us and from the local hospital. As far as I know, she has improved significantly.

Business continuity is one of the themes that we will be presenting to finance and audit next week, when we present our budget to them on, I think, the eighth. Business continuity — we did have two experts from the U.K. here towards the end of September to help us work through a variety of different matters relating to our business continuity plan. I thought it was a very worthwhile exercise. I think staff, directors and others thought it was a very good plan — a seminar which we held here. Between now and June, when we expect these two individuals to return, we will have a business continuity plan for the Legislative Assembly, hopefully. Hilary has been tasked with business continuity and is going to be working very hard at preparing the plan and working with us.

[3:15 p.m.]

We had a tabletop exercise relating to cybersecurity during the seminar, which was very, very enlightening. Gary may have more to say about that later during his presentation.

We're hoping that by June of next year, when we have our business continuity plan in front of the Legislative Assembly Management Committee and the finance and audit commit-

tee, it is endorsed by these two individuals who were with us in early September.

As well, *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia*, fifth edition, is well underway. I think I'll let Kate speak to that. It is a huge job that we have decided to embark upon in this fiscal year. We are going to, I believe, self-publish, which will save us a lot of money.

Kate, would you like to give us an update on that?

**K. Ryan-Lloyd (Deputy Clerk and Clerk of Committees):** Yes, thank you very much.

Good afternoon, Members. Before we leave the topic of business continuity, I thought I'd also take the opportunity to update the members on some work that has been done by the information technology branch. The auditors will remember that in previous management letters, there have been observations about the need for IT continuity planning at the Legislative Assembly.

A team led by Graeme Brown of information technology services, along with Rick Kare and Mica Strong, have installed the necessary technology in the Kamloops data centres, enabling us to have a backup for all critical network and hardware applications. Here in Victoria, previously we had those centralized on site, so there were no data backup provisions in case of either a network failure or other failures. So it was a significant project that they undertook this year, and I'm very appreciative of their help.

With respect to the *Parliamentary Practice in British Columbia* project, since earlier this year, we have had a special project team, comprised of Artour Sogomonian, Susan Sourial and Ron Wall, helping us update and provide a much more expanded version of the current procedural authority of choice in the British Columbia Legislative Assembly. We've added some new chapters and some updated references throughout. I hope that you will find it to be of significant assistance to you with respect to your parliamentary work.

We are working through some final stages of review, including incorporating external review by parliamentary authorities in other Canadian jurisdictions. We look forward to providing, if there's interest, particularly amongst the House Leaders, a more in-depth briefing in the months ahead and look forward to publishing that in April of next year.

**Hon. M. Farnworth:** Do I get my special House Leader's copy?

**K. Ryan-Lloyd (Deputy Clerk):** Yes, we've already provided for that in our budget planning.

Interjection.

**Hon. M. Farnworth:** And you'll get one too, yes. Absolutely.

**K. Ryan-Lloyd (Deputy Clerk):** I can go into further detail, but I don't know what the appetite might be around the room. I'll pause there for now, and if members have any questions or....

Interjection.

**K. Ryan-Lloyd (Deputy Clerk):** It may be a bit of a niche topic.

**J. Tegart:** Kate, could you share with the group when was the last time this was done?

**K. Ryan-Lloyd (Deputy Clerk):** Yes. The fourth edition was prepared under the guidance of the former Clerk of the House, George MacMinn. It was published in 2008. It's a project that we haven't updated for about ten years now, so many new precedents to be added, and we've really tried to expand, as much as we can, B.C. practice in terms of ensuring that the rules are not only understandable but that they reflect the actual common practices that have been established over time.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** Just for the interest of members, as well, this is not a revision or a review of the *Standing Orders*. This is in terms of the content that surrounds the *Standing Orders* and making it more understandable, more comprehensive, especially when we get to matters like privilege. We are making a note of anomalies relating to the *Standing Orders*, but we're keeping that internal until such time as members of this committee and others are in a position to move forward with any changes.

**S. Furstenau:** Just one more question on that, if I could. Is the format going to remain the same, or are there any changes in how it's going to be formatted?

**K. Ryan-Lloyd (Deputy Clerk):** No. Actually, the format has been altered substantially. The present fourth edition is organized numerically by the number of the standing order. We've taken a thematic approach with the fifth edition, so it should provide a reader or first-time user of the reference book the ability to understand in a more fulsome context the rules. Of course, there will also be a numeric index of the standing orders available, and some other appendices.

**M. Polak:** I do it the same way as you....

**Hon. M. Farnworth:** I do too — like Standing Order 35, emergency debate.

**K. Ryan-Lloyd (Deputy Clerk):** Absolutely. I should also note, for the information of members, that an electronic PDF version will also be available, if that helps with quick retrieval.

**M. Polak:** Only if we're allowed to read from them in the chamber.

**Hon. M. Farnworth:** The book, the bible. That's the best.

**Mr. Speaker:** I think we're very lucky to have you doing this.

**M. Polak:** Yes, we are. Thank you.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** In terms of the fifth edition, those of you who are familiar with the fourth and third edition, will understand or realize there are similarities between the way it's drafted and published and the Criminal Code of Canada.

[The bells were rung.]

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** The committee stands recessed...?

The committee recessed from 3:20 p.m. to 3:31 p.m.

[Mr. Speaker in the chair.]

**Mr. Speaker:** We are now going to be hearing about budget preparations.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** To move along here, we have been feverishly working on the budget estimates for the next fiscal year for Vote 1, the Legislative Assembly. We are expecting that a week this Thursday we'll present a draft for the finance and audit committee to consider.

Perhaps that meeting might be at least two hours or longer, depending upon the availability of members, given the workload that they have with the House. That's where we are with that. There aren't any surprises. We are going to focus on a couple of things which we will discuss with the finance and audit committee. One is business continuity; another is payroll. What's the third one, Hilary? Security.

**H. Woodward:** Security, yes.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** There are a number of issues on security. You will hear something about security and that related area when we move in camera.

The Accountability Report, 2017-18, is in preparation and, I think, virtually finished.

Kate, would you like to have a word about that?

**K. Ryan-Lloyd (Deputy Clerk):** Yes. The committee will know that annually, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Management Committee Act, we prepare and present to you a draft annual report of all of the decisions taken by the committee in a given year.

This summer you had approved the release of the *Account-*

*ability Report, 2016-17: Summary Report.* Those are now in the public domain. We are working towards providing the finance and audit committee with a draft of the 2017-18 report at their next meeting in the days ahead. That will come forward to your committee for formal consideration, amendment or approval at your next meeting.

**Mr. Speaker:** Major capital projects.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** If I could just start that, then I think I'll turn it over to Hilary, who has responsibility for that area.

Some of you may or may not know a person by the name of Alan Hodgson. Alan Hodgson was an architect, a well-renowned architect in the province of British Columbia, who resided in Victoria. He died not too long ago. I'd known Alan since 1987. He worked on and was the chief architect and engineer for the refurbishment of the Parliament Buildings back in the 1970s.

As you can see, he did a magnificent job. If you look around the Douglas Fir Room right now, he designed virtually everything you see, even the carpet, the tables, the desks, the chairs — the whole thing.

Anyways, Alan died recently, and his wife has donated volumes and volumes of architectural drawings, prints and other items, including photographs of the reconstruction, detailed accounts of problems with the library and water seeping through the exterior walls and creating a problem for them.

The photographs are incredible. They're just small photographs, as you might imagine, but they will better inform us as to the inventory of this place, I think, going forward. Some of the cost estimates and invoices that were processed through Alan's office in relation to the work that was done there might even help us more accurately predict or assess the actual value of the Parliament Buildings itself.

[3:35 p.m.]

Just as an example of some of the work that Alan was doing, I brought this design. We have at least a dozen of these. This is Alan's handiwork in terms of redoing some of the lights around the buildings. They are absolutely stunning.

I'm hoping to take these drawings, and some of the other drawings and memorabilia that have been presented to us by his wife, for an exhibition sometime next spring and perhaps have his wife and others in to celebrate Alan's life and his contribution to the Legislative Assembly.

I just wanted to point that out to members this afternoon.

**Mr. Speaker:** Just as an aside, I noticed the lights as they are in the Speaker's hallway are not consistent with that picture. They haven't been installed properly — just saying. And it's an easy fix, I understand.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** Good.

Hilary, over to major capital projects — an update, if you don't mind.

**H. Woodward:** I'll give a brief update on some of the major capital projects that have been underway this fiscal year.

The first one is the HVAC replacement project. We replaced all the HVAC systems in the main chamber; the Douglas Fir Committee Room, this room; and also the Birch Room. You should be seeing improved heating and cooling, if you've noticed, particularly in the chamber. That project wrapped up in August and is now working.

The other piece: front entrance accessibility ramps — we spoke about that. That work should be completed at the end of November. When we were talking about the front driveway, that was a piece, originally, of that original project. We separated that project out, so when we do bring the front driveway forward again for consideration, some of that costing will have been removed as a result of the work we're doing right now.

The other piece is the earthquake readiness and resilience project. We retained a consortium of consultants to essentially do an earthquake resiliency assessment on all the buildings in the legislative precinct. As a result of that work, we have moved forward with some of the recommendations. That report will be coming to an upcoming FAC meeting. In the interim, though, we did install, after their assessment of each building for structural integrity, seismic motion detection devices in each of the buildings.

I'm not sure if you've noticed, but we've just recently installed them. There are little green lights around. As they're testing them, the green light will come off. In each building, at the base of the foundation, is one of these seismic devices. They're all connected, and what they will do in the event of a major seismic event, essentially, is they will determine whether it's safe to enter that building or not. That's the colour-coding — kind of your green, yellow, red system. So those have been installed.

The other piece that we did, for those of you that may have seen in the summer if you were here, is some of what's referred to as ambient soil vibration testing. They went around, and they tested all the soil conditions, because one of the pieces in the consultants' report was an assumption on our soil conditions on the legislative precinct. Depending on the soil condition will be the movement and the sustainability of the structure that's built on top of that. We're awaiting the results on that. If the soil conditions are better than what the assumption is in the report, they will update the report results.

The other pieces. We did some seismic drill testing close to the armoury and other locations on the precinct. That was to determine how deep we had to go — again, from soil condition — to determine when we hit bedrock. We had some positive results so far on that as well, better than the original assumptions of the consultant. Again, that report information will go to finance and audit committee and then, ulti-

mately, to this committee, but I wanted to provide a brief update on that work.

Sustainability projects. We have installed.... For those of you who may have noticed, we now have two additional electric-vehicle-charging stations in the MLA parking lot. That brings our number up to four. They're not quite ready to work, but they've been installed. So in the next couple of weeks, we should have those operational.

The other piece that we installed was some bicycle repair stations. There's one located next to the east annex, just outside, and there's one located inside the armouries. We've also expanded the pavement area in the east annex, and that will soon have additional bicycle racks installed on there. Those are the sustainability projects that are underway.

Finally, we continue with our electrical upgrading project. It's a long-term project for the precinct. This year we did an upgrade to the major electrical vault. And those are the projects to date.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** I think it was last week or it might have been the week before that there were those two earthquakes just offshore from Vancouver Island. We have sensors that are located in the back lawn near the armouries, which detected these two earthquakes.

[3:40 p.m.]

I did send out, I think, the note and the graph to all members of LAMC to give you some idea as to the scope and scale and duration, the severity, of these particular seismic events, which I hope are useful. They certainly are helpful for us.

We are looking at, as well — and we will be talking to the finance and audit committee about it — a project next fiscal year in more earnest called the safe passage project. We know that retrofitting this place and doing all kinds of seismic upgrades to it is enormously expensive and perhaps not timely, so our concern and our thrust, in terms of pursuing the safety of the occupants of this building, is to be able to get them out fast and safely. So we will be working.... We will be making a presentation to finance and audit in terms of how we can move that particular project forward.

Any questions at all?

**Mr. Speaker:** Next, future meetings.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** I'll circulate this note. I believe there's been some approval. I think members are generally in agreement that the best time for finance and audit committee meetings and Legislative Assembly Management Committee meetings is when the House is actually sitting. It's more or less a captive audience, and we're able to work around the Government House Leader and the official opposition House Leader and the House Leader for the Third Party in terms of their schedules.

We do have a series of meetings with the finance and audit committee that take us from essentially this Thursday, now, through December 6, if that's a possibility, and the Legislative Assembly Management Committee — following their

meetings this fall on the budget and other matters, through, as well, with the finance and audit committee — from the beginning of February to virtually the end of May. That will give you some idea of the scale of meetings that are being proposed.

Hopefully, we will be able to stick to them. We have a number of items that we would like to bring forward to finance and audit and LAMC, and I'm sure LAMC and the finance and audit committee have a number of issues and questions that they would like to pose to us.

Hilary was talking about sustainability. We do have another project that's sustainability-linked. That is in terms of what our environmental footprint is and a variety of other matters relating to sustainability. We are hoping to have, by the end of the fiscal year — which is going to be challenging, but I think we can meet it — a stand-alone sustainability report on the Legislative Assembly which may mirror, in part, the Scottish National Assembly, the Scottish Parliament, as well as the Northern Ireland Parliament.

You may wonder why the Northern Ireland Parliament. They have done very, very good work and have great expertise. We will be keeping the finance and audit committee and the Legislative Assembly Management Committee apprised of our work in that area.

We are looking at an Indigenous program, in the sense of projects. We have several, three or four, ideas in mind, two of which are.... One project we're referring to as the rings of reconciliation, and Gary is more or less spearheading that with the former Lieutenant-Governor Steven Point and Government House.

Something that we have been talking amongst ourselves about is an Aboriginal page program for the Legislative Assembly. In so doing, that, at this point in time, would be dealt with over the course of the coming year, with a view of putting a program in place, if it's workable, in the fiscal year 2020.

That's it. We can move into a security-related area.

### Legislative Security

**Mr. Speaker:** Can we move to go in camera?

**G. Begg:** So moved.

Motion approved.

The committee continued in camera from 3:44 p.m. to 4:27 p.m.

[Mr. Speaker in the chair.]

**Mr. Speaker:** One last point to be made, now that we're out of camera, is by Craig.

**C. James (Clerk of the House):** In relation to the discussion that's just been held.... I have made the offer before, and it still stands. When your constituency assistants come into town, we'd very much like to meet with them, your legislative assistants and members on the very questions that you've been raising. In the meantime, I know that Gary and his staff would be very interested in meeting with you, collectively or separately, with caucuses or otherwise, in terms of what to do in the event that some of these issues do materialize so that you're better informed when they do arise.

**Mr. Speaker:** The last point. Our next meeting is November 22, from two to 3:30, in the Birch Room.

Do we have a motion to...? Moved, seconded.

We'll see you all next time on the 22nd.

The committee adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

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