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LINDSTRÖM LEDGER

Monthly E-Newsletter



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2nd Quarter Utility Bills Due Nov. 3rd

To view or pay your utility bill, click on "Online Utility Payments" on our website. You can also download the "PSN Payments" from the [App Store®](#) or [Google Play™](#).

For PSN phone payments, call 1-877-885-7968. Have your bill handy to provide your customer account number. On the first call you will register. Future calls are just four steps.

We can also set-up your utility bill account to automatically withdraw your payment from your checking or savings account on the due date.

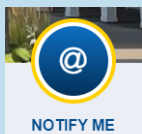
Credit/debit cards, checks and cash are accepted in person at City Hall, or call City Hall to pay with a debit/credit card.

Checks are accepted by mail or in the drop box located at City Hall.

For questions about your utility bill, please contact Krista at 651-257-0621 or klord@cityoflindstrom.us

Stay Informed

Now you can stay informed with our new [E-Notifications](#) feature! Sign up to receive emails for city news, events, public notices and emergency alerts.



Event Recap: Nature Party at Allemansrätt

The [Friends of Allemansrätt](#) and the [Lindström Park Board](#) hosted their annual [Nature Party](#) at [Allemansrätt Park](#) on Sunday, September 18th.

The weather was a little cloudy, but beautiful. Both children and adults enjoyed a **wide variety of free activities**, including games, tours, and roasting hot dogs and marshmallows.

Gravel beds for tree planting were also built. This project was made possible



with help from local volunteers, the non-profit [Great River Greening](#), and funding from the [Outdoor Heritage Fund](#).

GRG is Minnesota's leader in community-based restoration, and the OHF funds many restoration projects throughout Minnesota.

If you missed out on this year's Nature Party, be sure to join us next year! It's a great way to get to know the park, Park Board members, and others in the community.

Follow us on [Facebook](#), or [subscribe to city emails](#) to stay informed of upcoming events.



Fire Prevention Week: Oct. 9-15, 2022



The National Fire Protection Association has sponsored the public observance of [Fire Prevention Week](#) since 1922. It is observed each year during the week of October 9th in commemoration of the [Great Chicago Fire](#), which started on October 8th, 1871.

During Fire Prevention Week, Firefighters provide lifesaving public education to children, adults, and teachers.

The [Lindström Fire Department](#) will be hosting their annual Fire Prevention Open House event this year on Wednesday, October 12th from

6pm to 8pm at the downtown [Lindström Fire Hall](#). LFD will have fire prevention materials, give aways, and all of their equipment on display.



Come and say hello, meet the LFD Volunteer Fire Fighters, and learn how to stay safe during a fire. When mere seconds matter, educating yourself, your household, and your classroom can make all the difference.

LFD will also be helping out at the Chisago Lakes Primary

School with events for students during that week.



Get important fire safety information from the NFPA for all ages:

- [Home Escape Fire Plan](#)
- [Home Safety Action Plan](#)
- [Escape Planning for Older Adults](#)

To follow the Lindström Fire Department on Facebook, click [HERE](#).

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City Wide Tree & Shrub Trimming On All Plow Routes

Several areas along city streets are becoming overgrown with trees and shrubs. Not only does this cause a hazard by obstructing visibility for drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians, but it is also problematic for snow plows and emergency vehicles.

The City of Lindström will be trimming trees and shrubs that are within the road right-of-way (ROW) to increase safety and to help minimize damage to plowing and emergency equipment. **This project could start as early as late September, weather dependent. We will only trim what is needed.**

What is a Road Right-Of-Way?

Definition

Right-of-way is a legal right of passage that allows someone the right to travel across property owned by someone else.

Land within the right-of-way is reserved for public use. This may be used for public streets, sidewalks, alleys, public and private utilities, etc. Right-of-way width varies by location. A typical residential street has a right-of-way width of approximately 60 feet.

https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/lindstrom/latest/lindstrom_mn/0-0-0-5817#JD_90.23

§ 90.23 TREES AND OTHER VEGETATIVE PLANTINGS IN CITY RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENT AREAS.

(A) Planting trees or other vegetation in the boulevard (street right-of-way) is not allowed without a permit from the city. Trees and other vegetation planted within city rights-of-way shall be maintained by the city.

(B) The city may plant or maintain trees and other vegetation in city rights-of-way and may assess the abutting property for any benefit or costs associated with the planting, maintenance or removal of the tree or other vegetation, whether planted by the city or the property owner.

(C) Trees and other vegetation may be planted and maintained in drainage and utility easements without a permit from the city at the risk of the property owner and provided that the trees or vegetation do not interfere with access to or use of the easement.

(Ord. 04-11-02, passed 11-18-2004) [Penalty, see § 10.99](#)

Example of a Road Right-of-Way (ROW):



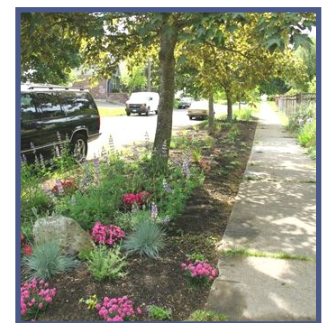
What to do if your plantings are in the road right-of-way (ROW):

- Relocate your plantings to an area of your yard that is not in the ROW.
- If you choose to keep your plantings in the ROW, be aware that they may be trimmed or removed. Utility companies, as well as the City of Lindström, have the right to do so in the ROW, without compensating or notifying the property owner or tenant.
- Keep your neighborhood safer by keeping your trees and shrubs trimmed.

If you have questions regarding road right-of-way, please contact us at: 651-257-0620 or contactus@cityoflindstrom.us

Right-of-Way Planting

The City of Lindström prohibits planting of trees or other vegetation in the boulevard (road right-of-way). Trees and other vegetation may be planted and maintained in drainage and utility easements without a permit from the city at the risk of the property owner and provided that the trees or vegetation do not interfere with access to or use of the easement. ([Ordinance 90.23](#))



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City Projects & Development Updates

Albrecht Landing: Expecting annexation and final plat.

Elms Estates: The utilities are cut off. One trailer is to be moved with the remaining three to be demolished. The property, which is privately owned (not city-owned), is anticipated to be cleared by late fall.

Golf Estates: Multiple homes are under construction.

Lindstrom Fire Hall: Construction continues. Completion is anticipated for December 2022, with an early 2023 occupancy.

Lindstrom Police Hall: The City's Bonding Bill request for \$3,000,000 of State Bonding Bill money was included in the Governor's Bonding Bill request. The legislature failed to approve a bonding bill. We await next steps.

Maple Street: A one-way demonstration project was discussed at a neighborhood meeting during the 9/1/22 Planning Commission meeting. The City Engineer will conduct a one-way traffic study for both Maple Street and the corresponding alley. Another neighborhood meeting will be scheduled in the Spring of 2023 to discuss the findings of the study.

Mercedes/Peninsula: The developer's requests for a final plat extension and TIF Development Agreement were denied by City Council at the August 18th, 2022 City Council meeting. The developer, if they wish to continue, must file the final plat, pay the required fees, and sign the development agreement by October 29, 2022. If they wish to obtain TIF Financing they must sign the TIF Development Agreement and start construction of the project by October 31, 2022. If these dates are missed, the developer must restart the application process.

Morning Sun Phase 4: Construction began in June. The utilities are in, and the first lift of asphalt is down.

Newlander/Elm Street Reconstruction: The utilities, curb, gutter and road grading are complete. The first lift of asphalt is anticipated to be installed the first week in October. To learn more about this project, click [HERE](#).

O'Jay Juice Factory: Last week [DEED](#) awarded the City \$200,000 in Redevelopment Grant funds for the purchase and demolition of this site. More information will be available in the coming months.

Olinda Trail Multi-Use Trail (CSAH 25): Nearly complete. To learn more about this project, click [HERE](#).

Park Street Parking Lot Utility Undergrounding: Surveying should be completed soon.

Twin Oaks/Lyman Court Phase Two: Construction began in July.

Veteran's Housing (Tingsryd Gardens): The preliminary plat has been approved but the project has been put on hold until 2023.

Upcoming Events

[Chisago County Operation Community Connect](#)

Thursday, October 20th
11am - 2pm

[Chisago Lake Lutheran Church](#)
[1 Summit Ave., Center City](#)

Connecting people to services they need, for children and adults. Transportation available. See event poster on next page.



[Chisago Age Well Expo](#)

Friday, October 21st
10am - 1:30pm

[Chisago Lakes High School-Performing Arts Center](#)
[29400 Olinda Trail, Lindström](#)

Providing resources and information to older adults and their caregivers to learn about opportunities and services to live and age well in Chisago County. Visit vendor booths, win prizes, health screenings, vaccine clinic, and MORE!



[Trick or Treat on Main Street](#)

Friday, October 28th
4pm - 6pm

Throughout Downtown Lindström & at the Chisago Lakes Chamber
[30525 Linden St., Lindström](#)

Trick or treat at our downtown businesses, and stop by the Chamber building for a goodie bag! **[Does your business want to participate?](#)** Contact the CL Chamber at 651-257-1177 or email **info@chisagolakeschamber.com**



[Small Business Saturday](#)

Saturday, November 26th (All Day)

Check off items on your holiday list by

shopping in **downtown Lindström**! This annual holiday falls on the Saturday after Thanksgiving (the day after Black Friday).



[2022 Holiday Craft Fair](#)

Saturday, December 3rd
9am-4pm

[Lindström Community Center](#)
[13292 Sylvan Avenue, Lindström](#)

Enjoy a fun day of shopping and community! See event poster on page 6 for more details.

[Want to be a vendor?](#) Click **[HERE](#)**. **A 10'x10' space is only \$25!** Electric is an additional \$5 per space (limited spaces).

Visit our Community Events page for more info!
www.cityoflindstrom.us



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Chisago County
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**THURSDAY, OCTOBER
20TH, 2022 11AM - 2PM**

"CONNECTING PEOPLE TO SERVICES THEY NEED"

**Chisago Lakes Lutheran Church
1 Summit Ave Center City, MN 55012**

- Lunch provided
- Multiple resource vendors
- Hair cuts
- Kids corner
- Shoe Bus (\$2 for kids, \$5 for adults)
- Coats
- Gloves, Hats & Socks
- Prize Giveaways
- AND MUCH MORE

While supplies last

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TRANSIT FOR
TRANSPORTATION TO AND
FROM EVENT
CALL: 800-862-0175 OPTION 13**

**Completely
free event**



Click [HERE](#) to view this event on Facebook, or click [HERE](#) for the website!

FREE EVENT



**CHISAGO
AGE WELL**

CARING · COMMUNITY · CONNECTION

2022 CHISAGO AGE WELL EXPO

**"Discover the Hidden Treasures
in your Backyard"**

Resources and Information to provide older adults
and their caregivers opportunities to
live and age well in Chisago County

Speaker ● Vendors ● Free Admission!
Vaccine Clinic ● Health Screenings ● Free Stuff!



Keynote Speaker:

Dan Brown

Author of "Da Fishi Code"

Friday, October 21 | 10 am - 1:30 pm

Chisago Lakes High School PAC

Keynote Speaker at 12:30

VISIT WWW.CHISAGOAGEWELL.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION

Sponsored By:



Click [HERE](#) to view this event on Facebook, or click [HERE](#) for the website!



Saturday, December 3, 2022

Holiday Craft Fair

9am-4pm

Lindström Community Center: 13292 Sylvan Ave., Lindström, MN 55045

Join us for a fun day of holiday shopping & community!

Local Cub Scout Pack #144 will be selling food.

Vendor entry fees support Lindström's Harmony in the Park FREE summer concert series!

For more information call 651-257-0620 or visit website: www.cityoflindstrom.us

CCFD Auxiliary Holiday Boutique & Bake Sale

9am-4pm

Center City Fire Department: 335 Burns Ave., Center City, MN 55012

Craft show with several vendors, raffles, and more!

Lunch will be available for purchase.

All lunch proceeds will be donated to a variety of local residents in need.

For more information visit the CCFD Auxiliary Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ccfdfirefly5k>

Christmas Bazaar, Raffle & Bake Sale

9am-3pm

Chisago Lake Lutheran Church: 1 Summit Ave., Center City, MN 55012

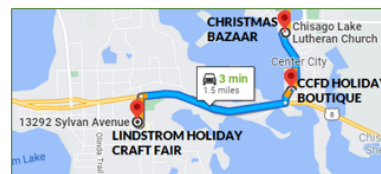
Craft show, Bethlehem Bakery Bake Sale, raffles, antiques, and more!

Morning cinnamon rolls & coffee. Sloppy Joe lunch starts at 11am.

Supports church ministries. The Heritage Room will be open- be sure to check it out!

For more information call 651-257-6300 or visit website: www.chisagolakelutheranchurch.org

**Open phone camera & scan QR code
(or click [HERE](#)) for Google Maps
directions to all 3 shows!**



Click [HERE](#) to view this event on Facebook, or click [HERE](#) for the website!

Watch For Trick-Or-Treaters on Fri., Oct. 28th AND Mon., Oct. 31st

Trick Or Treat On Main Street

4pm-6pm on Friday, October 28th

As kids trick-or-treat Lindström's downtown businesses, Highway 8 will be bustling with kids and adults.

Over 1,000 kids attended last year, and we are expecting an even larger



crowd this year (weather dependent).

As always, stop at crosswalks (it's the law!). A majority (but not all) of the activity will take place along Highway 8 throughout downtown, but please be aware of pedestrians on side streets and parking lots as well.

For additional details about this event, visit the [Chisago Lakes Chamber's](#) website.

Traditional Trick-Or-Treating

Afternoon & Evening on Monday, October 31st

While Trick or Treat on Main Street draws many to downtown, there are still a fair amount of residents that participate

in traditional trick-or-treating.

Please use caution when driving anywhere in town, especially in areas that may not have crosswalks or that may not be well lit. Dark colored costumes can be hard to see. And with the excitement of the evening, not all kids may be as careful as they should be when crossing streets.

As with Trick or Treat on Main Street (or any time), make sure to stop for pedestrians at crosswalks.

Let's have a safe and fun time trick-or-treating this year!



Äppelkaka ("eppelkahkah: Swedish apple cake) A perfectly delicious dessert for fall, Äppelkaka is a common dessert in Sweden. It's name is a little misleading though, as it is more like a dessert or pudding than what is traditionally thought of as cake. Vaniljsås (vanilla sauce) is the traditional topping, which is always best made from scratch (click link in recipe below) but pre-made versions can be found too.

Click [HERE](#) for an easy, authentic recipe for Swedish apple cake, and enjoy some with friends at [fika!](#)

October Meetings & Closures

Meetings

- Oct. 3 **Park Board:** 6:00pm
- Oct. 6 **Planning Commission:** 6:30pm
- Oct. 10 **Cable Commission:** 4:00pm (CLHS)
- Oct. 11 **EDA (Economic Development Authority):** 7:30am
- Oct. 17 **Chisago Lakes Joint Sewer Treatment Commission:** 5:30pm
- Oct. 20 **City Council:** 7:00pm

Library Commission: No October meeting.

Police Commission: No October meeting.

- View our "City Calendar" on our website's home page for a complete schedule: www.cityoflindstrom.us
- Click on the "[Agendas & Minutes](#)" button on the home page for more information.
- Click on "[Livestream Meetings](#)" on the home page to view a livestreamed meeting that is currently in progress, or to view a completed meeting that was previously livestreamed.



City Hall Closed

No Scheduled Closures

Visit our Meetings, Agendas & Minutes page for more info

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2022 Primary And General Election Information

Federal, State, and City Elections are held in even years every two years.

Primary Elections are the second Tuesday in August. 2022 Primary Election was: Tuesday, August 9, 2022 from 7am-8pm

General Elections are on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. **2022 General Election: Tuesday, November 8, 2022 from 7am-8pm**

General Election filing dates for candidates for Lindstrom was August 2 to August 16, 2022. Filing occurred at Lindstrom City Hall.

Residents within CITY LIMITS of Lindstrom vote at the Lindstrom Community Center at Lindstrom City Hall [13292 Sylvan Ave, Lindstrom, MN 55045](#) (click for Google Maps).

If you are unsure of your voting location, or if your physical address is Lindstrom but you are actually located in a township, please click [HERE](#) to locate your correct polling place.



Are you a registered voter?

You can wait until Election Day to register in Minnesota. However, we encourage you to register before Election Day - it will save you time at the polling place. The deadline to Pre-Register is 21 days before the election. To find out if you are registered to vote, click [HERE](#). To register to vote or to update your registration, click [HERE](#). You can also register or re-register at your designated polling place the day of the election.

If you have moved, changed your name, or have not voted in the last 4 years, you will need to re-register. To learn more about what documentation is needed to register in person at your polling place on Election Day, click [HERE](#).

Click [HERE](#) for the Chisago County website for additional voting information, such as:

- [Elected officials](#)
- [Candidate filing](#)
- [Campaign financial reporting](#)
- [Election judge info](#)
- [Absentee voting](#) (Click [HERE](#) to track your absentee ballot.)
- [Voting results](#)
- [Redistricting information](#)



POLLING PLACE RULES:

- **Do not campaign in or near the polling place.** You have the right to vote without anyone in the polling place trying to influence your vote.
- **No opinions or political discussion** is to take place at the polls – neither by the judges, nor by the voters.
- **Do not wear campaign materials.** In the polling place, you cannot display campaign t-shirts, buttons or literature which relate to specific candidates, official political parties, or ballot questions on the ballot that day. You will need to either cover up or remove these items while in the polling place.
- **Do not enter a polling place unless you are authorized.** Only authorized people are allowed inside a polling place during voting hours, such as voters and their minor children, poll workers and someone assisting a voter. People may not gather or linger in the polling place or within 100 feet of the building.

For the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State website, click [HERE](#).

For the Federal Elections Commission of the United States of America website, click [HERE](#).

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AMERICA'S LITTLE SWEDEN

Fall Notices & Reminders

Winter Parking Restrictions Begin November 1st

- From November 1st to April 15th there is **NO PARKING** allowed on city streets between the hours of 2:00 am and 6:00 am or during snow events. This allows our crew to be able to plow in front of your house without having to plow around your vehicles.
- **During a snow event**, please avoid parking on city streets until the plows have cleared the road.
- If you live in downtown and use the city-owned Park Street Parking Lot for parking, you will need to obtain a winter parking pass. Please contact the **Lakes Area Police Department** for more information using their non-emergency number 651-257-0622 or stop in at **City Hall**.

Street Sweeping

- Fall street sweeping generally starts in September, but could extend into October. Sign up for **email notifications** or follow us on **Facebook** for specific dates.
- The street sweeper moves very slow, so please keep a safe distance.



Fire Hydrant Flushing

- Fall hydrant flushing begins in September, but could extend into October. You may experience low water pressure, which should resume to normal pressure shortly after the process is finished.
- “Spitting” or slight water discoloration can occur. If you experience this, let your water run for a short period of time to clear the pipes within your home.



Recycling & Disposal Services

There is no official city-wide spring clean up day in Lindström, but we have several services available in the area. Click on the links below for more information, or visit our **Resident Information** page for additional resources.

- **[Chisago County Household Hazardous Waste Disposal](#)**
- **[Chisago County Waste Disposal & Recycling](#)**
- **[Chisago County Prescription Disposal](#)**
- **[SRC Waste Transfer Station & Recycling Center](#)**
- **[Abandon, unlicensed & inoperable vehicle ordinances & unwanted vehicle disposal](#)**

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on the last page*

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Recreational Fires

[See Ordinances 93.60-93.70](#)

Recreational fires are only permitted if they meet the following conditions:

- Fires must be small- no more than 3 feet in height and diameter.
- A non-combustible fire ring shall completely surround the fire area, and must be depressed below the ground. Materials such as cement, brick, blocks, etc. are recommended materials.
- Fires may not be located closer than 25 feet from any structure.
- Additional conditions apply. See [Ordinances](#) for more info.



All other fires require an Open Burning Permit. Recreational fires or [open burning](#) will not be allowed when the City of Lindström, the [Minnesota Pollution Control Agency](#), or the [MN Department of Natural Resources](#) has officially declared a burning ban due to potentially hazardous fire conditions or air quality alerts. If you have questions regarding fires or burning, or questions on how to obtain an Open Burning Permit, please call the [Lindström Fire Department](#) Fire Chief, Scott Sellman, at 651-248-7421 or email him at ssellman@cityoflindstrom.us

Noise Ordinances

Noise from electronics, instruments, operation of equipment, gathering of people, etc. is not allowed between the hours of 10pm and 7am within the City Limits. Curfews and park hours are also enforced. (See [Ordinances 93.18, 130.02, 94.02](#))

Thanks for being a good neighbor!

Firearms & Hiking Safety During Hunting Seasons

It is unlawful to discharge weapons within City Limits (including all City parks and in [Allemansrätt Wilderness Park](#)). A weapon includes any firearm, air gun, pellet gun, B.B. gun, bow and arrow, crossbow or slingshot. ([Ordinance 130.01](#))

Please be aware that areas surrounding the City of Lindström and throughout Chisago County may not have such an ordinance. In fact, **it is quite common to hear gunfire during hunting seasons in the areas immediately surrounding Lindström.**

To ensure your personal safety, keep in mind a few simple things while using trails and parks during the hunting season:

- Be aware of trails that are closed during hunting season. For example, the [Swedish Immigrant Trail](#) closes during Firearm Deer Season. Check the [DNR website](#) for exact hunting dates.
- Know the hunting seasons in the region you are recreating. Check the [DNR website](#) for more information.
- Make yourself (and your dogs) visible. Wearing bright colors, such as orange, is always a good idea, regardless of the current hunting season. A brightly colored bandana or dog apparel for your pet is also a good idea.
- Keep your dogs leashed. Trapping seasons often coincide with hunting seasons, and dogs may be attracted to bait or scents used for trapping.
- Avoid trail and wilderness activities during high use hunting times such as: opening day, weekends, and morning/evening hours. Enjoy the outdoors in the middle of the day & middle of the week instead.

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Leaves & Raking

Do not put yard waste, such as leaves, twigs, branches and grass clippings in your trash. Please contact your trash hauler to see if seasonal curb side pick up for yard waste is available, or bring your yard waste to our Area Compost Site (see below). Please also avoid raking or blowing leaves into the street (see “Storm Drain Care” below).



Storm Drain Care

- Residents are urged not to blow leaves, grass, dirt, or other debris into the streets. This material can wash into the catch-basins and storm drains, causing them to become clogged and not function properly.
- This debris can also end up in our lakes, which results in excessive algae growth. To learn more about lake preservation, water quality and more, visit the [Chisago County Lake Improvement District \(CLID\)](#) website.

Thanks for being a good steward of our lakes!

Lakes Area Compost Site Closes Mid-November

Weather permitting, the Lakes Area Compost Site is open from mid-April through the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Operating hours are Wednesdays 2pm - 7pm (or dusk), Saturdays 9am - 4pm, and Sundays 1pm - 4pm. The site may temporarily close during inclement weather.

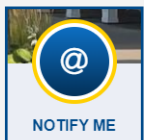
- **Allowed:** Grass clippings, leaves, and brush up to 3” in diameter
- **NOT Allowed:** Dimensional lumber, tires, appliances or household trash
- If available, wood chips, compost and black dirt are available for non-commercial use (for free!)
- No commercial businesses are allowed to haul to or from the site.



Please visit the [Area Compost Site](#) website page for exact season dates, regulations, resident and non-resident details, and directions.

Click [HERE](#) to view our Area Compost Site informational video!

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