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Report: SMMUSD split could put new districts 'at risk'

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

The reality of a $10-million operating deficit probably would have been hard enough for the Santa Monica-Malibu school district to swallow if it planned to stay together forever.

But as a committee explores the possible separation of the district into separate entities, the financial portrait of the two theoretical districts appears to be just as troubling.

Even as the district plans to reduce expenditures over the next several years, projections reveal that a "significant imbalance" would remain in the district's budget.

"Reorganizing [SMMUSD] into two unified districts in this fiscal environment would place at risk the fiscal status of both new districts," reads a consultant's report, which was presented to the committee this month.

"While the District enjoys a large fund balance which allows the District to deficit spend and yet remain solvent, this situation cannot persist. ... While this adverse fiscal situation would not be a

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Planning Commission anticipates months of zoning revisions

BY LEA YAMASHIRO & MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Staff

After hundreds of meetings spread across several years, Santa Monica updated its Zoning Ordinance in 2015 but apparently a planner's work is never done and officials are returning to the issue this year to refine, revise and correct a list of pending problems.

City Hall began the revision process earlier this year with City Council passing a package of corrections and revisions that amounted to clerical or administrative fixes. At that time, Council identified items that could have policy impacts and asked for additional study at the Planning Commission Level.

The group of about 46 specific topics was presented to the Planning Commission and will return in the coming months for specific action and discussion.

The Commission broke the list into several groups based on the ranges of difficulty and complication. The first group would include minor changes, corrections, and clarifications, the second would include topics that have come about since the implementation of the Zoning Ordinance that need further review, and the third would hold issues and topics that the Planning Commission needed to stow away for future, more in-depth discussions.

The first 17 items will come back for discussion or passage in about eight weeks. Those items include clarifying that dimensions for garages refer to interior meas-

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Matthew Hall

JAZZ

The Jazz on the Lawn summer concert series opened on Aug. 7 with La Sirena y Orquesta Mar de Ashé. Upcoming shows include the fusion group Mostly Kosher, on Aug. 14, MôForró in the style of Brazilian forró on Aug. 21 and Venezuela OMG, blending upbeat Caribbean music with the folk rhythms of Venezuela on August 28. Shows are at Stewart Street Park, 1836 Stewart Street, from 5 – 7 p.m.




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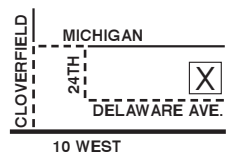


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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Tuesday, August 9

College admissions officer
Play the role of a college admissions officer, working in teams to evaluate students vying for admission to college. Learn what college admission officers look for and how they compare applications. Grades 9-12. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 8 p.m.

Exercise Your Mind. Read! Book Discussion: Brain on Fire
In this short-run book group, read and discuss books about the human brain. The featured book is Susannah Cahalan's Brain on Fire: My Month of Madness, the gripping story of a one-month illness that altered the young woman's brain chemistry and the subsequent scientific efforts to diagnose and treat what happened. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd, 7 - 8 p.m.

Opening Reception for Language of Landscape
The language of landscape is portrayed variously in cultures worldwide and throughout history. This exhibition features perspectives of landscape both fictional and nonfictional, representational and abstract. Using the mediums of drawing and painting and dabbling in both scientific method and mythology, four artists create a hybrid of inner and outer worlds. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway, 6 - 8 p.m. RSVP at http://annenberg-beachhouse.com/beachculture.

City Council Meeting
Regular meeting of the Santa Monica City Council. City Hall, 1685 Main St., 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 10

Montana Mystery Book Group: Jar City
Inspector Erlendur Sveinsson investigates the killing of a solitary man, found murdered in his Reykjavik apartment, and discovers that the dead man had been accused but not convicted of a rape forty years earlier. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Commission on the Status of Women Meeting
Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Commission on the Status of Women. Ken Edwards Center, 1527 4th St., 7 p.m.

The Living Room presents The Big Kids' Table: Create
Exercise your mind by expressing your creativity. Draw with charcoal, color with crayons or play a game of Scrabble. Materials provided, you bring the brainpower. Main Library 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Movie: The Peanuts Movie (2015)
This CGI-animated update of Charles Schulz's beloved comic characters finds Snoopy again taking on his arch-nemesis The Red Baron, and Charlie Brown trying to win the love of the red-haired girl. (88 min.) Main Library 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Happiness Room
Come visit SMPL's mobile pop-up Happiness Room, dedicated to all kinds of resources, visuals and interactive features on happiness, joy, calm, positivity, flow, gratitude and meditation. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 3 - 5 p.m.

Late Board Of Education Meeting.
The public portion of the SMMUSD Board of Education Meeting on August 10, will begin at 6 p.m., instead of 5:30 p.m. This change in time is to allow the Board of Education additional time to address items during closed session without impacting the start time of open session. (Closed session will begin at its normal time at 4:30 p.m. in the conference room.) The agenda for this meeting will be posted on the District website: http://www.smmusd.org/board/meetings.html. 1651, 16th Street.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Santa Monica Blvd.

Winning $750,000 lottery ticket sold in Santa Monica

It was no mystery to staff at the California Lottery's Van Nuys District Office that Pedro Mendez was a big winner. That's because Mendez happily walked in holding a $10 Mystery Crossword Scratchers ticket worth the top prize of $750,000.

It was a day at the beach for Mendez, who picked up his lucky ticket at the 7-Eleven located at 1600 Santa Monica Boulevard - which is located just a few blocks away from the Pier. Mendez, who says he plays the lottery frequently, recently won $1,000 playing Scratchers. He also tells officials he plans on using his winnings to pay off some bills and then buy a little house - if there's enough money left over.

Mendez became the 29th top prize winner for the Mystery Crossword Scratchers game, leaving seven more top prizes still available as of August 4.

And like all Lottery Scratchers games, $10 Mystery Crossword comes with a second chance to win a great prize. The Lottery's 2nd Chance Program offers players a chance to win weekly cash prizes of up to $25,000. Players enter their non-winning Scratchers tickets on the lottery website and are automatically entered into the weekly pool drawing. A total of $100,000 will be given away every week.

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Downtown

Downtown Community Plan Preservation and Change Workshop

How does the City plan to preserve Downtown's character and sense of history? What should Downtown look like in the future and how will it be shaped? Come learn and share your perspective.

Join the Santa Monica community and the City Planning Department for a discussion about the Downtown Community Plan and its approach to Preservation and Change.

At this Saturday workshop, organizers will roll up their sleeves and discuss the importance of conserving character Downtown, as well as its sense of history. Explore various options for the scale of new buildings Downtown, the types of uses and how they should contribute to best serve the community. Listen to three local expert panelists share their perspectives on subjects like adaptive reuse, affordable and market-rate housing and the challenges of creating new projects that fit into their existing environments.

Reservations are recommended at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/preservation-and-change-workshop-tickets-26783334675. The event is Saturday, Aug. 13 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Santa Monica Bay Women's Club, 1210 4th Street Santa Monica.

Long Beach

Witnesses of Long Beach killing urged to come forward

Authorities are urging those who witnessed the shooting of a mother and her 4-year-old daughter in Long Beach on Saturday to come forward with information to help investigators identify the killer, Long Beach police said Monday.

"We believe that there are people out there who have information who have not come forward," police spokeswoman Nancy Pratt said. "It's summer, it was a Saturday, and that's an area where you would normally see someone," Pratt said.

Police still have no indication of motive and have made no arrests, Pratt said, adding that they "strongly encourage" people to get in touch with anonymous texts, phone calls or emails if they believe they can help.

Homicide Sergeant Robert Woods was also at the scene of the crime Monday asking people who live and work in the area whether they saw the attack take place.

Carina Mancera, 26, and her daughter, Jennabel Anaya, were gunned down while walking home with Luis Anaya, the girl's father, at 10:20 p.m. on Saturday.

The mother and daughter, who had just returned to the neighborhood, were walking with Anaya when an armed suspect approached them by foot and opened fire, Pratt said. Pratt confirmed that police do not believe that it was a drive-by shooting.

The mother died at the scene and the 4-year-old was rushed to a hospital and died early Sunday morning, police said.

The girl's father, Luis Anaya, has been cooperating with investigators since the attack, Pratt said, adding that police do not yet know whether he was also an intended target of the shooter.

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CRESTLINE

7 square miles burn in Southern California mountains

Smoke plumes roiling from flaming ridges of the San Bernardino Mountains blew all the way across the Mojave Desert to Las Vegas as California's latest big wildfire chewed through timber and brush Monday.

Hundreds of firefighters, aided by 16 aircraft, battled flames that spread across 7 square miles on the northern side of the rugged mountain range about 60 miles east of Los Angeles.

About 25 homes were ordered evacuated, and authorities recommended voluntary evacuations elsewhere.

Helicopters sucked loads of water from nearby Silverwood Lake to douse flames leaping across slopes. Air tankers swooped low to paint the dry vegetation with pink fire retardant.

The fire, which erupted for unknown reasons just after noon Sunday, was just 5 percent contained.

Across the Mojave, officials in southern Nevada issued an air quality advisory because of smoke from the fire more than 200 miles away. The Clark County Department of Air Quality said air was unhealthy for sensitive groups, including young children, senior citizens and people with respiratory problems and cardiac disease.

Like some of the state's other fires this summer, the blaze burned near a popular recreation area. But Silverwood Lake's waters had been closed to swimming, fishing and boating since Aug. 4 because of an algae bloom.

On the central coast, meanwhile, California's biggest fire expanded to more than 94 square miles north of the scenic Big Sur region.

An army of more than 5,000 firefighters and an air force of tankers and helicopters made progress, however, surrounding 45 percent of the 18-day-old blaze.

Residents in the area would notice increased fire activity and smoke as firefighters set fires to burn out vegetation between the main body of the fire and prepared control lines, the fire command said.

Long-suffering residents of the community of Palo Colorado who had been under evacuation orders since late July were finally being allowed to return there. Some evacuation orders remained in place, while others were reduced to warnings.

Five state parks frequented by tourists on the Highway 1 route between San Francisco and Los Angeles remained closed.

The fire, which has destroyed 57 homes, damaged three others and led to the death of a bulldozer operator in an accident, was caused by an illegal campfire.

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Thursday, August 11

Rent Control Board Meeting
Regular Rent Control Board Meeting. City Hall, 1685 Main St., 7 p.m.

What are You Reading?
This is not your average book club. Let's talk about what you are reading this summer and create some awesome reviews to post on the SMPL catalog. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 4 - 5 p.m.

Comic Book Magnets
Make fridge magnets featuring comic book characters. Limited space; free tickets available 30 minutes before program. Grades K - 5. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., 4 - 5 p.m.

Free screening of "Wall-E"
This week, Mind Over Movies screens the Pixar classic-in-the-making "Wall-E," the family friendly, but still smart, story of a robot who finds love and saves the planet in the tragically trashy future. Free screening followed by a roundtable discussion and audience Q&A. The Christian Institute, 1308 Second Street. 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit facebook.com/MindOverMovies.

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Number of Apartments:	12 one-bedroom apartments
Renovation Schedule:	Approximately six months before renovation begins
Current Tenants:	7 existing tenants in rent-controlled apartments will remain
New Tenants:	4 Santa Monica residents who have demonstrated commitments to live independently will occupy the vacant apartments. All new tenants will undergo Santa Monica Housing Authority (SMHA) background checks and be required to meet SMHA leasing standards prior to move-in. The apartments will be affordable to households earning 50% area median income or below.
Property Owner and Staffing:	Step Up on Second is the owner of the property and will staff it with 1 full-time On-site Resident Manager and 1 half-time Life-skills Coordinator
Benefits of the Renovation:	• Promotes sustainability by preserving existing structures • Protects 7 existing tenants from Ellis-act eviction risk • Provides opportunities for current Santa Monica residents who have successfully lived independently and achieved goals to develop greater self-reliance • Preserves 12 existing affordable residences for affordable housing that will be deed-restricted affordable for a minimum of 55 years • Improves aging property to current building and code standards • Releases permanent supportive housing residences for those who could benefit from services and greater support • Concludes rental of on-site garages by non-residents • Provides prevailing wage jobs in the community • Provides a local landlord who is not residing out of state
Loan Information:	The 26th Street apartments meet the Citywide Housing Trust Fund Guidelines. A Trust Fund loan to Step Up on Second of $6,356,000 for acquisition/renovation was issued on March 30, 2016.
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What's the Point?

David Pisarra
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Too short summer, too long campaign

AS THE SUN SETS ON SUMMER, AND there are only two weeks until school starts again. I'm amazed at how quickly this summer has flown by, but maybe that's because I've been absorbed with the Presidential politics and the madness that is the current election. I've quickly grown tired of this election and wish we could just vote already. The thought of another 91 days of this bottom feeding, scum slinging behavior repulses me, and we haven't even reached the nadir of the grossness. I find that I have lost all interest in learning more about any of the candidates.

Apathy is not a good thing for our republic, we need to have active and engaged voters at all levels of the government. However I just don't have it in me to continue following, with any studiousness, the latest contemptible comments by or about, the candidates.

I've made my choice, it's not likely to change at this point, which is probably true of most voters. I doubt seriously that any candidate will change substantively at this point enough to make me rethink my position.

It's at the local level that I am more intrigued by the opportunities to effect actual change, yet even there it is disheartening and disappointing. This election season we have many of the same old faces, with the same old platforms, promising change. Meh, does anyone believe that?

The issues facing our city are vital, and yet with so much of the damage done a decade or more ago, we're trying to put a genie back in a bottle that just wont go. Do we have mavericks on our ballot ready to do battle to save what little remains of the charm of our city? Yeah not really.

Has our city gone the way of so many others? Yes, and it happened long ago, in a city council far, far away. It's also a factor of the sheer economics of California. We live on the coast, and there's only so much of it to go around. The constant pressure on all the beach cities to develop and pack in more people is an outgrowth of the constant pressure on our country. Fully half the population lives in major metro areas, and that consolidation is only going to increase over time.

The fact is our country, and frankly much of the world, is far down the path away from an agricultural economy. The further we grow away from an old economic model, the more packed the cities are going to become. It's why the factories have closed and the 'rust belt' is what it is. We feel the pressure here, but it's not all that different than the almost zero percent vacancy rate in San Francisco, the low almost 3 percent rates in New York city and across the country.

For anyone who owns in the city, this is all an unfettered good, the values will only increase and as development continues to pack in the people the upward pressure will continue. As tech companies continue to be the fastest growing segment of our revenue base, we will see more and more inflation in both office and residential rents.

Is there anything that a city council can do at this point? They could put some buffers on the development juggernaut, and to some degree the city already does. Our inspectors are notorious for their insistence on following the letter of the law, much to the chagrin of new companies that are opening. Ask any new business owner about their travails with the inspectors and you're in for an evening's worth of horror tales.

Will we ever return to our small-town charm? Nope. That version of our city is long dead, the best we can hope for at this point is a better traffic plan (which is not forthcoming), some infrastructure development, and a city council that remembers to at least provide for the residents as they try to reign in the development.

Does my apathy mean I wont vote? No I'll vote. I'll even read the ballot measures and chime in later when I have a better idea of what they all really mean.

Do I have a bad case of disgust with the system, the candidates and the tenor of fellow Americans? Yes. The good news is, that like this summer, it will pass, and quickly.

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Standing up for LUVE

Editor:

Is anyone surprised that the power brokers in Santa Monica want to defeat the LUVE initiative?

How dare a group of stupid Santa Monica citizens ask for a voice in the future development of Santa Monica!

How dare LUVE supporters challenge the demands of the leftist SMRR and the commands of our comrades in the City Council!

They will try to crush this grassroots movement by using all the resources of the SMRR, the power of the City Council and their well-heeled developer partners, but LUVE will succeed because our residents know that "Santa Monica Matters."

Don Wagner
Santa Monica

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California Incline Bridge Replacement Project

The California Incline will be closed until Summer 2016 while construction crews demolish the existing structure and build the new bridge and roadway. Construction crews are also utilizing the current Incline closure and building the new Idaho Avenue Pedestrian Overcrossing. Motorists are advised to use Ocean Avenue (via Moomat Ahiko Way) and Lincoln Boulevard as alternate routes. For more information on this project, please contact: (888-303-6026 or incline@smgov.net).

Wastewater Main Replacement Project

For the week of August 8, the contractor will continue with the removal and replacement of sewer main pipe on Palisades Pl. N. between 1st Court and 4th Street. Contractor will also begin rehabilitation of sewer manhole on Pacific Street between 4th Street and Euclid Street. During these operations, the street/alley will be closed to through traffic, local access only. Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620 or Tim Scheffer, Construction Manager (909) 376-0275.

San Vicente Pump Station Emergency Generator

For the Week of August 8, No street improvement work is scheduled. Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620

Ishihara Park (Buffer Park) Project

As part of the construction of the new Buffer Park at 2909 Exposition Blvd, the sidewalk on the eastside of Stewart St. at Exposition Blvd. and along Exposition Blvd to Dorchester Ave. will be closed. Construction will also close part of the northbound bike lane on Stewart Street at the intersection of Stewart St. and Exposition Blvd. Directional signage has been posted alerting pedestrians and bicyclists of the impediments caused by the construction project. This closure will allow for the construction of a new sidewalk on a portion of Stewart St. and Exposition Blvd as well as park pathways and landscaping adjacent to the affected areas. For more information contact Sebastian Felbeck, Construction Manager, at (310) 434-2675.

Los Amigos Park Stormwater Harvesting And Direct Use Demonstration Project

For the week of August 8, the contractor will begin excavation in the intersection of 5th Street and Hollister Ave. for the installation of the diversion pipe. Construction for the first phase of the project will begin at the intersection of 5th Street and Hollister Ave. Traffic control will be installed and it is recommended to avoid 5th Street between Ocean Park Blvd. and Hollister Ave. and Hollister Ave. between 5th and 6th Streets. Hollister Ave. between 5th and 6th Streets will be closed to through traffic.
Please use alternate routes. Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620 or Scott Neumann, Construction Manager (310) 525-0683.

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urements, Allowing tandem parking for single unit dwellings or allowing City Government uses in any district subject to a Conditional Use Permit. The topics have all had some kind of previous discussion at the Commission level and are expected to be less complicated to implement.

The next batch will come before the commission on a rolling basis starting in November.

Those items will be repackaged to keep items of a similar type in a single discussion and will incorporate feedback from the public, commission and council.

Despite the pre-written list, Commissioners and the public asked for some additional items to be added.

Commissioner Nina Fresco asked for additional information on what she said are inconsistencies and other policy issues.

"We've talked a lot about second units already today, just this imbalance between whether or not you can convert a garage but you can't convert a rec room, and what that all means for allowing this kind of housing and protecting people's privacy and quiet and preventing urbanization of neighborhoods, while so doing, so that seems like a big policy issues for you guys to prepare for us," she said.

Danilo Bach, who lives in the North of Montana area, voiced some frustration with the overdevelopment of his own neighborhood, and urged the commission to focus on decision-making from the perspective of neighborhood benefits and effects.

"There is a danger certainly in the NOMA area, we are seeing, in a sense, a gaming of the system-the zoning system-with these extraordinary large buildings, these houses being built," he said. "It's like the return of the mega-mansions on steroids. There are several vivid examples in the neighborhood now under construction in which several people have come up to me and said, 'What the heck is going on in that lot?'"

Mario Fonda-Bonardi said the city should examine parking rules for small cars.

"We should, as a progressive zoning code, start looking at where in our code does the micro-car fit? Because we are now having cars that are very small that don't deserve even the compact park space that might allow us to bend parking requirements much more gracefully than we currently are," he said.

The complete list of proposed revisions is available as part of the Aug. 3 agenda packet (www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Boards-Commissions/Planning-Commission).

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SPLIT

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direct consequence of the reorganization, if left uncorrected, the two newly formed districts would inherit this budget imbalance and face an immediate threat to their solvency."

The report was prepared by School Services of California, which was hired to assist the separation committee in exploring a possible split. The consultancy, led by Robert Miyashiro and Michael Ricketts, analyzed information from past reports as part of its work.

The six-member committee, which meets again tonight at Malibu City Hall, has been tasked by the local Board of Education to resolve financial and other obstacles to separation. Santa Monica and Malibu teams were picked in January to unpack the matter, a topic of discussion in the district and among Malibu advocates for years.

Issues to be resolved include the division of cash assets and voter-backed bonds as well as the protracted battle over chemical testing and cleanup at Malibu schools.

The aforementioned report identifies several areas for possible cuts as SMMUSD works to improve its budgetary outlook. The document notes that the district's student-teacher ratio is 18-percent lower than those of comparable districts and 10-percent lower than the statewide average. Almost 30 percent of district staffers make annual salaries of more than $90,000, according to the report.

The district also contributes more towards employee health benefits and spends far more on insurance per student than other similar districts, according to the report. Health and welfare benefits increased from $7,364 per full-time-equivalent staffer in 2005-06 to $13,069 in 2014-15, an average annual increase of 6.6 percent during that span.

The district's relatively high costs for administrators and classified staff also "may warrant further examination," according to the report.

Complicating the fiscal picture a the potential increase in state expenditures as a result of a potential split.

"Our baseline forecast shows net state costs resulting from the establishment of an SMUSD and MUSD ranging from $7 million to $9 million annually during the first four years of a reorganization, beginning in 2017-18," the report reads. "The increase in state costs is due to additional state aid that is needed for the LCFF in SMUSD as result of the loss of Malibu property tax revenues."

State costs would decline annually thereafter and be eliminated by 2026-27, according to the report.

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BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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ON JULY 27 AT ABOUT 7:01 A.M.

Officers responded to a radio call for service at McDonald's, 2712 Santa Monica Blvd., regarding a subject sleeping in a booth and refusing to leave. Upon arrival, officers determined the subject had not purchased anything from the restaurant and had her belongings strewn about the booth. McDonald's employees asked her to leave several times, but she refused to comply. The business was desirous of a private person's arrest. The suspect, Yolanda Murrell Parker, 39, of Lakeview Terrace, was taken into custody without incident and booked for trespassing. Bail was set at $1,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 363 calls for service on Aug. 7.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Speeding Lincoln/Pearl 12:09 a.m.
Party complaint 2900 block of 4th 12:12 a.m.
Fight 4th/California 12:24 a.m.
Traffic hazard 200 block of San Vicente 12:27 a.m.
Vandalism 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 12:28 a.m.
Living in a vehicle 600 block of Strand 12:29 a.m.
Hit and run 15th/Santa Monica 12:30 a.m.
Lewd activity 1400 block of 4th 12:52 a.m.
Person with a gun 1600 block of Appian 1 a.m.
Party complaint 200 block of Palisades 1:31 a.m.
Party complaint 15th/Montana 1:40 a.m.
Battery 100 block of Broadway 1:57 a.m.
Shots fired 900 block of Stanford 2:49 a.m.
Burglary 3100 block of Pico 3:02 a.m.
Defrauding innkeeper 1500 block of Lincoln 3:18 a.m.
Vandalism 1900 block of 4th 3:30 a.m.
Assault w/deadly weapon 400 block of Pier 4:15 a.m.
Fight Lincoln/Santa Monica 5:15 a.m.
Traffic collision 2900 block of Pico 7:05 a.m.
Petty theft 500 block of Broadway 7:44 a.m.
Petty theft 300 block of Wilshire 8:16 a.m.
Grand theft 1700 block of Ocean 8:39 a.m.
Vandalism 500 block of Colorado 8:47 a.m.
Hit and run 3000 block of Lincoln 10:06 a.m.
Suicide now 800 block of Montana 10:07 a.m.
Petty theft 4th/Broadway 10:15 a.m.
Hit and run 2nd/Ocean Park 10:27 a.m.
Domestic violence Ocean/Broadway 11:21 a.m.
Hit and run 1400 block of California 12:05 p.m.
Traffic collision 1000 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 12:09 p.m.
Identity theft 1300 block of 26th 12:45 p.m.
Petty theft 1000 block of Santa Monica 1:38 p.m.
Lewd activity 2400 block of Wilshire 1:53 p.m.
Theft suspect in custody 1200 block of 3rd Street Prom 1:54 p.m.
Burglary report 1700 block of Hill 1:55 p.m.
Traffic collision 20th/Olympic 2:44 p.m.
Person down 300 block of Santa Monica 2:56 p.m.
Hit and run 6th/Colorado 2:59 p.m.
Attempt strongarm robbery 3200 block of Wilshire 3:18 p.m.
Traffic collision 500 block of Pico 3:27 p.m.
Grand theft auto 1500 block of 15th 3:40 p.m.
Vandalism 1500 block of Olympic 3:44 p.m.
Drunk driving investigation 1200 block of Ocean 5:11 p.m.
Speeding 400 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 5:17 p.m.
Person down 1700 block of 20th 5:22 p.m.
Petty theft 200 block of Broadway 6:13 p.m.
Indecent exposure 1500 block of Ocean 6:23 p.m.
Attempted burglary 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 6:40 p.m.
Speeding 1500 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 6:40 p.m.
Burglary 1800 block of 10th 6:50 p.m.
Fraud 1400 block of 3rd Street Prom 7:14 p.m.
Drunk driving investigation 4th/Colorado 7:32 p.m.
Counterfeit money investigation 1900 block of Lincoln 8:27 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 50 calls for service on Aug. 7.

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EMS 1200 block of San Vicente 12:11 a.m.
EMS of Berkeley/Wilshire 12:18 a.m.
EMS 1400 block of 2nd 12:44 a.m.
EMS 1100 block of 23rd 1:12 a.m.
EMS 1500 block of Ocean 1:15 a.m.
Automatic alarm 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 2:29 a.m.
EMS 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 2:33 a.m.
EMS of Lincoln/Santa Monica 6:20 a.m.
EMS 800 block of 4th 7:28 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of 20th 9:13 a.m.
EMS 800 block of Montana 10:05 a.m.
EMS 2600 block of 11th 10:39 a.m.
EMS 1500 block of 7th 11:02 a.m.
Elevator rescue 1700 block of Ocean 11:02 a.m.
Injuries from assault of Ocean/Broadway 11:39 a.m.
EMS 800 block of 6th 11:47 a.m.
EMS 1400 block of 3rd Street Prom 12:30 p.m.
EMS 2700 block of Neilson 12:33 p.m.
EMS 1000 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 12:43 p.m.
EMS of 4th/Arizona 12:58 p.m.
EMS 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 12:58 p.m.
EMS 2100 block of Ocean 1:41 p.m.
EMS 3300 block of Barnard 1:47 p.m.
EMS of 20th/Olympic 2:45 p.m.
EMS 1300 block of 4th 2:51 p.m.
EMS 500 block of Pico 3:51 p.m.
EMS 1600 block of Ocean Front Walk 4:03 p.m.
EMS 1700 block of Ocean 4:07 p.m.
EMS 2900 block of Ocean Front Walk 4:31 p.m.
Injuries from assault 600 block of Wilshire 4:42 p.m.
EMS of Ocean/Colorado 4:54 p.m.
EMS 1600 block of 20th 5:23 p.m.
EMS of 2nd/Wilshire 5:46 p.m.
EMS 1600 block of Broadway 5:53 p.m.
EMS 700 block of 20th 6:22 p.m.
EMS 2600 block of Ocean Front Walk 6:42 p.m.
EMS 900 block of Stanford 6:43 p.m.
EMS 2200 block of Colorado 6:50 p.m.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

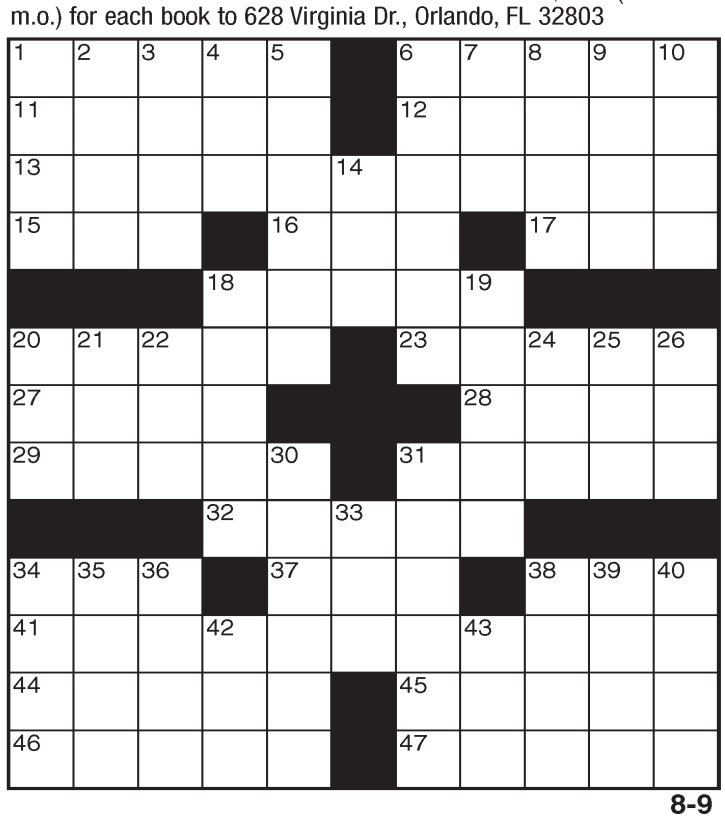
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6 Party dip
11 Presentation aid
12 Sing à la Bing
13 Thorny tree
15 Work unit
16 Zodiac cat
17 Buck's mate
18 Ocean trenches
20 Louvre location
23 Crunch's cousin
27 Ladd of "Shane"
28 Region
29 Kingly
31 Italian seaport
32 Grant's successor
34 Computer heart
37 Soggy
38 Filming site
41 Fragrant-flowered vine
44 Martini garnish
45 Model's asset
46 Piper of rhyme
47 Fizzy drinks

DOWN
1 Dull pain
2 Hammer wielder
3 Put on the wall
4 Mine rock
5 Fashions
6 Reporters' exclusives
7 Rainbow shape
8 Clamorous
9 Middling
10 Poker cost
14 Actor Marvin
18 Singer Shore
19 Tag numbers
20 Golf goal
21 Brewpub offering
22 Cloth scrap
24 Great weight
25 First número
26 Casserole veggie
30 Case worker
31 Outfits
33 "You bet!"
34 Pork serving
35 Warsaw native
36 Foot or fathom
38 Lose traction
39 "Born Free" lion
40 Golf pegs
42 Abel's mother
43 Dove sound

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		9		4		7		
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	3		5	7	9		8	
	9						6	
			2		1			

GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

6	3	4	5	9	2	8	7	1
7	1	5	3	4	8	2	6	9
2	9	8	6	7	1	3	5	4
3	5	6	7	2	4	1	9	8
8	4	1	9	5	6	7	2	3
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Mega#: 15
Jackpot: 24M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 8/7
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Draw Date: 8/7
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Draw Date: 8/7
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1965 - A fire at a Titan missile base near Searcy, Arkansas kills 53 construction workers.

1969 - Followers led by Charles Manson murder pregnant actress Sharon Tate (wife of Roman Polanski), coffee heiress Abigail Folger, Polish actor Wojciech Frykowski, men's hairstylist Jay Sebring and recent high-school graduate Steven Parent.

1971 - The Troubles: The British Army in Northern Ireland launches Operation Demetrius. Hundreds of people are arrested and interned, thousands are displaced, and twenty are killed in the violence that followed.

1974 - As a direct result of the Watergate scandal, Richard Nixon becomes the first President of the United States to resign from office. His Vice President, Gerald Ford, becomes president.

1993 - The Liberal Democratic Party of Japan loses a 38-year hold on national leadership.

1999 - Russian President Boris Yeltsin fires his Prime Minister, Sergei Stepashin, and for the fourth time fires his entire cabinet.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ No Wonder ISIS Is So Steamed: Last year, 3 million Muslims made the sacred pilgrimage to Mecca for the hajj and another 5 million for the slightly less sacred umrah, but awaiting them in the Saudi holy city would hardly have been the reverence many imagined: massive modern buildings; housing construction with worksites brightly lit around the clock; glittery, multistory shopping malls featuring familiar brands peddling opulence -- capped by high-rise views of the city's entire amusement-park-like setting from four- and five-star hotel rooms, where suites during hajj can go for $10,000 a night. (The malls, like the rest of Mecca, come to a standstill -- or kneel-still -- for prayers.)

■ (1) In July, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced plans to keep black-footed ferrets in northeastern Montana from dying out -- with drones that shoot peanut butter M&Ms (coated with a vaccine). Before the drones, there were too few ferrets to justify, economically, hand-delivering the candy. (2) A Japanese researcher (working out of the University of Illinois at Chicago) recently announced a health-improving computer app that would require men to ejaculate on their cellphones. (The researcher's sophisticated microscope lens would be capable of transmitting a highly detailed photo, able to be examined in a lab, thus freeing shy men from having to visit a doctor's office.)

Hang out with friends tonight, Cappy

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Deferring is not your style, but that is what you are likely to do right now. Someone else clearly wants to reach a new level of handling matters, and he or she seems to have an intuitive hunch about what to do. Let this person call the shots. Tonight: Munchies with a favorite friend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ If you allow your associates to take a stronger role, you'll have an opportunity to create more free time for yourself. Consider what you would do with this extra time. In any case, you have nothing to lose by delegating tasks. Tonight: Go along with a loved one's wishes.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You could have a problem dealing with an associate who wants more responsibility. If you value a well-oiled operation that points to success, then let this person have his or her way. However, don't expect smooth sailing immediately. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ The way you act and the choices you make right now might be unusually creative and dynamic, even for you. A potential loved one plays a strong role in your choices, and this person is likely to affect your feeling of well-being. Tonight: Allow your inner child to come out.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Much goes on that you will choose not to discuss. You might consider making a major purchase that is somewhat indulgent. This item could be something you use to update your home, or perhaps it will be a gift for a loved one. Tonight: Reach out to a friend at a distance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Your words seem to have the effect you desire. The person or persons to whom you are speaking are likely to pick up on your message. A friend will support you when you decide to take risks; share with this person more often. Tonight: Decide to try something new.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Your love of good times marks the next few days. Once you let go and relax, you could find that it's close to impossible to rein yourself back in. Be aware of the long-term ramifications of your actions. Reach out to a friend for feedback. Tonight: Do some shopping on the way home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You easily could go overboard once you tap into your high energy. A friend might question what you are doing. Be realistic about where you are heading. Have a long-overdue conversation with someone who often stays behind the scenes. Tonight: All smiles.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You could be overwhelmed by everything you need to do; the best approach is to dive right in. If need be, get help from someone who knows how to follow through on the job at hand. Take a break, and you'll feel a lot better. A little R and R works wonders. Tonight: Feel free to vanish.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Aim for what you want, and don't lose sight of your objective. Because of your strong drive and the support of those who count, you could hit a home run once more. Information that heads your way will need careful evaluation. Tonight: Hang out with friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ You might want to try a different way of communicating with a higher-up. Understand that your messages are not being received in the way you would like them to be. Listen to your instincts with someone whose opinion you care about. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

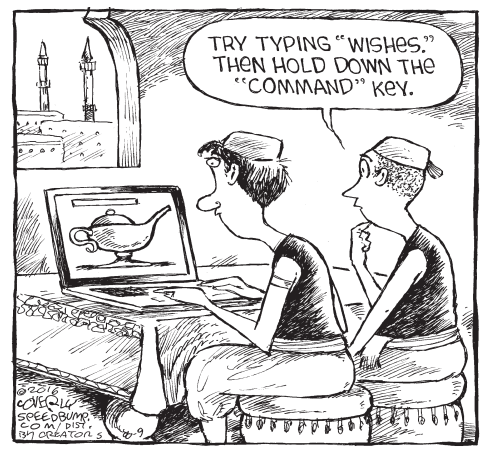
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might be caught up in your own thoughts. As a result, a compliment from someone close to you could fall to the wayside. A big smile will go a long way in patching up a misunderstanding. Tonight: Detach and take another look at the dynamics around you.

Tuesday, August 9, 2016

This year you make a difference where it counts. You have a lot of energy, and you'll choose to funnel it into your family life. You value beautiful surroundings more, as you feel they are important to your well-being. If you are single, you'll meet someone with ease. What happens and how you meet this person are not as important as the interaction you have when you do meet. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy your quiet time at home. Spend as much time together as possible. SCORPIO is drawn to you, but he or she can be very challenging at the same time.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS
The stars show the kind of day you'll have:
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★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
★★★ Average

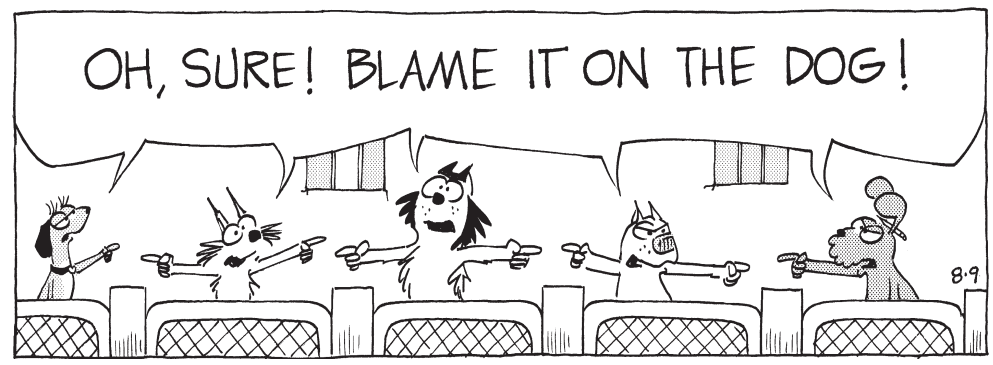
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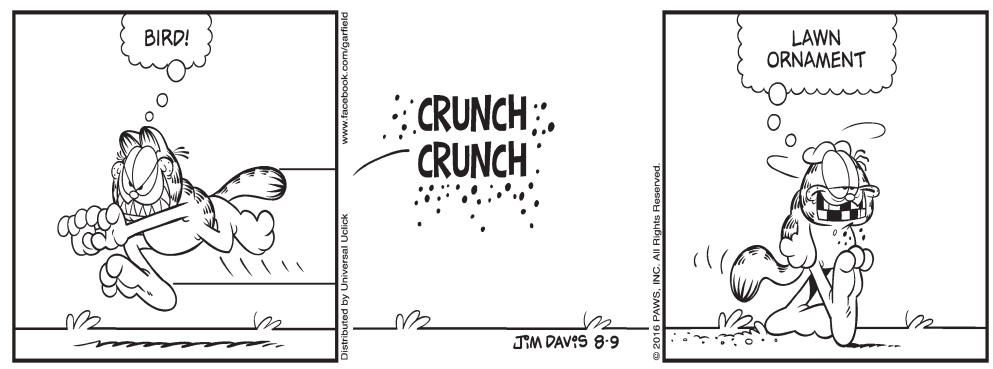
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016178218 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 07/18/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as THE CLINIC AT BULLETPROOF LABS. 3110 MAIN ST. , SANTA MONICA, CA 90405. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: SCOTT SHERR MD, PC 380 ONEILL AVE. BELMONT, CA 90024. This Business is being conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:SCOTT SHERR MD, PC. SCOTT SHERR MD, PC. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 07/18/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 07/19/2016, 07/26/2016, 08/02/2016, 08/09/2016.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. SS026222
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of ANGELA JOAN CASTELLANO for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: ANGELA JOAN CASTELLANO filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: ANGELA CASTELLANO ETTENGER to ANGELA JOAN CASTELLANO. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: SEP 16, 2016 Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: WE-K, Room:
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 1725 MAIN STREET, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
Date: JUL 28, 2016

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: 16ENT-0068 (Appeal of Planning Commission Decision 15ENT-0304)
144 Fraser Avenue

APPLICANT: Justina Baskauskas
APPELLANT: Maud Orwitz
PROPERTY OWNER: Justina Baskauskas Trust

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider the following request:

Appeal 16ENT-0068 of the Planning Commission's approval of Variance 15ENT-0304 to allow for a 126
square foot third floor balcony along the rear building elevation of an existing single-family residence located at 144 Fraser Avenue.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, August 23, 2016, AT 6:45 p.m.**

LOCATION: City Council Chambers, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: 16ENT-0068
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

Or email to councilmtgitems@smgov.net

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Michael Rocque at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at michael.rocque@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours and on the City's web site at www.smgov.net.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines numbered 2, 3, 9, and Rapid 3 serve City Hall. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, and is a short walk to City Hall.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL
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