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COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

ORDINANCE NO. 80-110
RELATING TO CONTRACTS, INCLUDING PROVIDING
PROCEDURES AND ADMINISTRATION FOR PREPARING,
LETTING, EXECUTING AND ADMINISTERING
CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE AND LEASING
OF PERSONAL PROPERTY, WORK AND LABOR,
OR SERVICES; AND REPEALING CERTAIN PRIOR
ENACTMENTS BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. A resolution regarding advertising for bids adopted September 14, 1977, a resolution regarding execution of rental or lease agreements authorized re: office machines and maintenance agreements adopted February 5, 1979, and a resolution adopting Chapter 3.04 on March 15, 1971, Snohomish County Code, and Chapter 3.04, Snohomish County Code, are each repealed.

Section 2. The following is adopted and made a part of the Snohomish County Code:

Chapter 3.04

Purchases and Contracts

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3.04.010 - Application. Procedures and requirements of this chapter shall apply to all contracts for services, public works, or work and material, and all purchases and leases and rentals of supplies, materials, equipment, or other personal property by the county except as exempted by the terms of this chapter. This chapter establishes the purchasing department of the county, its functions, and purchasing and contracting standards and procedures. Each branch and department of the county shall be responsible for submittal of purchasing requisitions as required by the purchasing department and the general responsibility of seeing that purchases and other expenditures covered by this chapter are within and provided by the budget of such branch or department. All branches and departments of the county shall be furnished a copy of this chapter, and any vendor,

lessor, or bidder shall be provided, at cost of reproduction, a copy upon request. 0

3.04.020 - Purchasing department. The county purchasing department is hereby established. Such department shall administer purchases, rentals and leases of personal property and the contracting for public works, work and material, and other services as provided in this chapter.

3.04.030 - Director of purchasing. The director of purchasing shall be the administrative head of the purchasing department, which shall be the purchasing agent of the county. He shall administer the purchasing and contracting procedures as provided in this chapter and shall prepare and submit an annual budget request for the purchasing department as required by the county executive. He may appoint such officers and employees as are required to perform the duties of the purchasing department, in compliance with county personnel system requirements. He shall be deemed an employee covered by the blanket employees performance bond purchased by the county. In the absence of the director of purchasing, his powers and duties shall be performed by his designee in the purchasing department unless the county executive shall direct otherwise.

3.04.040 - Qualifications. The director of purchasing shall be appointed on the basis of his abilities, qualifications, integrity and prior experience as a purchasing agent or employment in the purchasing department of a governmental or private agency.

3.04.050 - Appointment. The director of purchasing shall be appointed by the county executive subject to confirmation by a majority of the county council. He shall serve at the pleasure of the county executive and shall be entitled to 30 days written notice of removal from office unless such removal is based upon cause.

3.04.060 - Powers and duties. In addition the general powers and duties as set forth above, the director of purchasing shall perform such duties as are provided by this chapter including:

(1) Prepare and submit an inventory as required by section 3.04.070.

(2) Prepare and make available to all departments and branches of the county as needed, suitable forms for requisitions, vouchers, bids, and similar forms. Such forms shall be designed so as to minimize the number of forms and the amount of time required to process them.

(3) In accordance with procedures approved by the County Executive, use a purchase order number system for transactions wherein the county contracts for the purchase of supplies, materials, equipment or other tangible personal property, public works, or services as provided herein, prepare and certify purchase order-voucher files for payment, and maintain records with respect to such transactions.

(4) Review and revise conditions and clauses of bid solicitations, as deemed appropriate to clarify the award process and eliminate ambiguities.

(5) Prepare and make bid calls, postings, newspaper advertising, solicitations, provide information, receive telephone or written bids and quotations, and otherwise process and participate in the awarding of contracts for purchases and otherwise as provided in this chapter. The foregoing procedures on public works contracts performed by the department of public works shall be performed by said department in cooperation with the purchasing department. The purchasing director shall prepare a purchasing manual outlining procedures to be followed in making purchases and contracts as provided in this chapter by April 15, 1980.

3.04.070 - Inventory. The director of purchasing shall maintain a perpetual inventory of supplies held under his control. Said inventory shall be made available to the county council or the county executive upon request. This inventory shall be coordinated with the inventories and reports thereon kept by other county departments.

3.04.080 - Quantity purchases. Whenever practicable, it shall be the policy of the purchasing department to purchase supplies in quantities sufficient for anticipated needs covering a period of at least three months, but not, however, to exceed anticipated needs for more than one year.

3.04.090 - Standardization. Equipment and supplies in general use throughout the various departments of the county shall be standardized insofar as possible. In order to secure economies achieved through volume purchasing, county departments will be supplied from these standardized stocks. Items not from standardized stocks will be purchased only if the standard item is not suitable or cannot efficiently perform the task at hand or the non standard item is needed for a particular application. The director of purchasing will maintain a continuous review of inventory items and will replace and resupply such so as to maintain an adequate inventory of standardized equipment and supplies.

County officials and departments shall purchase all office supplies through the purchasing department, except as permitted elsewhere in this chapter; Provided, that officers and departments may make purchase of office supplies not on hand in the purchasing department where total price does not exceed fifty dollars, the supplies are required to perform official duties before they can be provided through usual purchasing procedures, and such purchase is made in accord with regulations drafted by the director of purchasing and approved by the executive; and Provided further that the total amount of such purchases by any office or department shall not exceed five hundred dollars in any calendar year.

Equipment, parts, materials, and supplies other than office supplies in an amount not more than five hundred dollars may be purchased by county officials and departments in accord with regulations drafted by the director of purchasing and approved by the executive.

3.04.100 Storage, supplies in general use. Office supplies in general use shall be stored in a convenient location or locations under the control of the purchasing department. The department shall purchase supplies as needed.

3.04.110 E R & R - stores and acquisitions. E R & R Central Stores acquisitions shall be through a purchasing coordinator designated by the director of public works. The coordinator shall be responsible for coordinating public works acquisitions of equipment, tools, parts, and supplies with the director of purchasing, and may make purchases required by E R & R activities amounting to one thousand dollars or less in accord with regulations drafted by the purchasing director and approved by the executive.

(1) The purchasing coordinator shall be responsible for the maintenance and operation of public works central stores.

(2) The coordinator will, with the assistance of the purchasing agent, establish a standardized stock of supplies, parts, tools, equipment, and other items of general use throughout the various divisions of the department of public works.

(3) All public works items of general use will be drawn by public works personnel from central stores stock. Items not stocked but required will be acquired through the coordinator. Items not available will be acquired through the purchasing department.

3.04.120 Competitive bidding. The requirements of 3.04.130(2),(3),(4),(5),(9) and (10) shall be complied with on all purchases, and leases of personal property and contracts for public works, work and materials, and services except the following:

- (1) Purchases as provided in 3.04.160;
- (2) Negotiated contracts as provided in 3.03.170.;
- (3) Proprietary purchases as provided in 3.04.180;
- (4) Consultant and special service contracts as provided in 3.04.190;
- (5) Emergencies as provided in 3.04.200;
- (6) Intergovernmental services as provided in 3.04.210;
- (7) Cooperative purchasing as provided in 3.04.220; and
- (8) Exemptions as provided in 3.04.230.

3.04.130 - Procedures. Except where otherwise exempt or provided for under express provisions of this chapter, all solicitations, advertising, opening, consideration, and awards of bids and other related functions on any purchase, lease, or contract to purchase or lease personal property,

public works, work and materials, or services shall be made in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Requisitions and specifications shall be prepared by the interested department or with assistance of the director of purchasing at the request of such department. The call for bids shall then be prepared by the director of purchasing and filed in the purchasing department for public inspection. The package for bidders may either contain detailed plans and specifications or may require the bidder to submit detailed plans and specifications prepared by him in response to performance and general requirements submitted by the county. Plans and specifications will normally be purchased at the office of the Department head preparing the plans and specifications.

(2) An advertisement stating the date and hour after which bids will not be received, the scheduled time for opening bids, the character of the work to be done, or material, equipment, or services to be furnished, that the specifications therefore may be seen at the office of the purchasing department, and the location where plans and specifications may be obtained shall be published in the county official newspaper; PROVIDED, That advertisements for public works contracts for construction, alteration, repair,

or improvement of public facilities shall be additionally published in a legal newspaper of general circulation in or as near as possible as to that part of the county in which said work is to be done; and PROVIDED FURTHER, that if the county official newspaper is a newspaper of general circulation covering at least forty percent of the residences of that part of the county in which such public works are to be done publication of an advertisement in the county official newspaper only shall be sufficient. Such advertisements for public works shall be published at least once in each week for two consecutive weeks prior to the last date upon which bids will be received. Additional advertisements, as may be deemed necessary, may be made.

(3) Bids shall be made in writing on forms included in the call for bids and signed by the party or parties bidding thereon. The bids shall indicate the status of the bidder and the position of the party signing the bid in its behalf. If the bid is made by a joint venture, the bid shall include the names of all joint venturers and shall be signed by each joint venturer or its authorized agent. Any bid may be rejected if it does not include all information required, contains any qualification of any bid or change in the proposal is not properly signed or

otherwise incomplete, or in the opinion of the awarding authority is irregular in any respect.

(4) All bids shall be sealed with the bid number and opening date on the outer cover of the bid and mailed or delivered to the purchasing department or such other location as designated in the call for bids prior to the time specified for the closing of bids in the call. Upon receipt each bid shall be time-stamped and initialed by an employee of the purchasing department or other authorized county employee. No bid shall be accepted after the time and date specified in the call for bids, and there shall be no exceptions to this requirement. After the expiration of the time for the receipt of bid proposals, those proposals which have been timely filed shall be delivered by the purchasing department to the bid board for opening.

(5) The bid board shall consist of the county executive or his designee and the chairman of the county council or his designee. This board shall be present and function at the opening of all bids and exercise surveillance and control over the bid openings. Sealed bids delivered to the bid board shall be publicly opened by a representative of the purchasing department after the time specified; PROVIDED, That the opening of bids may be

continued by the county executive, for cause, for a period not to exceed 15 days, and PROVIDED Further, that notice of such continuance shall be given orally at the time and place set for the opening of bids and then in writing to all bidders who have submitted bids. Following the opening of a bid, the total amount of the bid and such breakdown of the bid as is deemed appropriate by the bid board shall immediately be read aloud by a representative of the purchasing department or a member of the bid board. The purchasing department shall check the bids for mathematical accuracy and then prepare a written summary of all bids showing the amount bid on each item contained in the bid and all mathematical corrections. Unit prices will be the basis for making awards of bids. However, the total of extensions, corrected as needed, will be used for the purpose of determining the amounts of the bid and the contractor's performance bond.

(6) No bid shall be considered for public work unless accompanied by a bid deposit in the form of a surety bond cash, postal money order, cashier's check, or certified check payable to the county treasurer in an amount equal to 5% of the amount bid. A bid deposit may be required by the director of purchasing or the county executive on bids for

contracts other than public works and may be specified as a dollar figure rather than a percentage.

As soon as bid prices have been compared, the director of purchasing will return the bid deposits accompanying such of the bids as in his judgment would not be considered in making the award. All other bid deposits will be held until the contract and performance bond, if required, have been executed, after which all bid deposits, except such as have been forfeited, will be returned to the bidders submitting them and except that the bid deposit of the successful bidder may be held for a longer period if provided for in the invitation to bid or specifications.

(7) The rights to reject any or all bids before opening or any or all bids or portions of a bid or bids after opening, republish the call for bids, revise or cancel the work, or do the work by day labor in conformance with state law or negotiate as provided in section 3.04.170, are reserved to the county representatives making the award if in his or their judgment the best interest of the county is served thereby.

(8) If awarded, the contract shall be awarded to the lowest and best bidder meeting the bid requirements as

determined by the awarding authority. In determining the responsibility of a bidder the awarding authority may consider the quality and nature of the material and/or services to be supplied, their conformity or lack of conformity with specifications, their suitability to meet the requirements of the county as evidenced by the specifications, compatibility with other equipment, procedures or systems of the county, time and other terms of delivery, the ability, capacity and skill of the bidder to perform, the character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the bidder, the financial situation of the bidder, equipment available to the bidder, location and adequacy of repair facilities of the bidder, subcontractors to be utilized, whether the bidder can perform the contract within the time specified, the performance of the bidder on previous contracts or services, and such other information or factors as may affect the bidder's ability to perform the project in accord with the specifications. If the bid is based upon plans and specifications submitted by the bidder, the overall capability of such plans and specifications to meet performance requirements of the county as stated in the call for bids, may also be considered. Prior to award of public works construction contracts involving other regulatory

agencies, approvals required from such agencies will be secured.

(9) Decisions with respect to award or other disposition shall be made within thirty days of the time set for opening of the bids unless continued to a later date by the authority charged with the responsibility of making the award. No continuance shall be made for more than thirty days except with the consent of the bidders who are being considered for the award.

(10) The purchasing department shall notify the successful bidder of the award in writing and deliver or mail to him appropriate contract forms addressed to the address shown on his proposal. Signed contract forms, together with such performance bond, certificate of insurance, and other documents as are required of him shall be returned to the purchasing department within fifteen days of mailing of the contract forms unless such time is extended by the awarding authority, which time shall not be extended by more than twenty days. If the successful bidder fails to return the executed contract and satisfactory performance bond within the time allowed, his bid deposit shall be forfeited to the county, and the contract may be awarded to the next lowest responsible bidder. Notice and

award of contract form shall then be forwarded to him, and if he shall not respond within the times as indicated above, his deposit shall be forfeited, and in a like manner the contract may be awarded to subsequent responsible bidders until the contract, bond and other documents are executed and returned by responsible bidder or all bid proposals are exhausted through this process.

(11) If the county executive elects to trade in used equipment on the purchase of new equipment, the call for bids on the new equipment shall include a notice that the county has for sale or trade-in used equipment of a specified type and description which will be sold or traded in on the same day and hour that the bids on the new equipment are awarded. Any bidder on the new equipment may include in his offer to sell, an offer to accept all or part of the used equipment as a part payment of the new equipment purchase price, setting forth the amount of such allowance as required by the specifications.

In determining the lowest responsible and best bid on the new equipment the awarding authority shall consider the net cost to the county of such new equipment after trade-in allowances have been deducted. The awarding authority may accept the new equipment bid of any bidder without trading

in the used equipment but may not require any such bidder to purchase the used equipment without awarding the bidder the new equipment contract. Nothing in this section shall bar anyone from making an offer for the purchase of the used equipment independent of a bid on the new equipment and the awarding authority shall consider such offers in relation to the trade-in allowances offered to determine the net best sale and purchase combination for the county. Delivery of the used equipment to the successful bidder may, at the county's option, be delayed until receipt of the new equipment.

(12) The county may submit bids for a fixed number of items sought to be purchased "or more," in which case the vendor shall be deemed to have irrevocably offered to supply such additional items above the number specified as the county at its option may order from the supplier for a period of one year from the date of award, or for such other period as is stated in the call for bids or a bidder's response. This provision shall not require that the county purchase any particular number above the number stated nor that the county satisfy its needs for the item by purchases above the number stated. Reference to this section shall be included in all calls for bids on an "or more" basis.

(13) Any department preparing specifications and bid packages, other than purchasing, shall provide its proposed bid package to the purchasing department for review and approval prior to publication. Excluded from this paragraph are construction contract bid packages requiring approval from other regulatory agencies.

3.04.140 Award, execution, by whom. All contracts for the purchase of personal property in excess of thirty five hundred dollars, building construction, consultant services as defined in section 3.04.190, or intergovernmental service shall be awarded and approved by the county council. Contracts and purchases as provided in section 3.04.160 shall be awarded and approved by the director of purchasing or the county executive as provided therein. All other contracts, except those incidental to litigation, which contracts shall be approved by the prosecuting attorney, shall be awarded and approved, by the county executive. All contracts on behalf of the county shall be signed by the county executive.

3.04.150 Performance bond. When a performance bond is required by state law or otherwise by the call for bids, the successful bidder shall furnish a duly executed bond upon a form furnished by the county, signed by an approved surety

or sureties in the full amount of the contract price conditioned as required therein and by RCW 39.08.010 as now or hereafter amended and any other applicable state law; Provided, That in lieu of a performance bond on any contracts of three thousand five hundred dollars or less the director of purchasing, in his discretion, may retain one hundred percent of the contract amount for a period of thirty days after the date of final acceptance, or until receipt of all necessary releases from the department of revenue and the department of labor and industries, whichever is later. Upon receipt of an executed performance bond, the purchasing department shall file it with the county auditor. In projects where a performance bond is not required by state law, the county executive may still require such bond when he concludes that such is required in the best interests of the county. Any question with respect to the adequacy of any bond shall be determined by the county executive.

3.04.160 Purchases, leases, and contracts by director of purchasing and county executive. The director of purchasing or his designee is granted authority to award any contract, lease or purchase of personal property except as otherwise provided in this chapter and the county charter,

involving less than three thousand five hundred dollars, sales tax and shipping charges not included, without compliance with the requirements of 3.04.120(2-5)(9) and (10). On contracts, leases, or purchase exceeding one thousand dollars and less than three thousand five hundred dollars, sales tax and shipping charges not included, the director of purchasing or his designee shall be responsible for soliciting telephone and/or written quotations from enough vendors to assure establishment of a competitive price and for awarding such contracts for purchase of personal property, services, work and materials to the lowest and best bidder as defined in 3.04.120(8).

Immediately after award is made, the bid quotations obtained shall be open to public inspection or telephone inquiry.

The purchasing department will draw specification and post notice of intent to purchase upon its bulletin board for not less than three working days prior to making any such contract or purchase, except that the period of posting may be waived by the county executive or his deputy; and

PROVIDED FURTHER, That the council may waive the requirements of advertisement and competitive bidding for purchases not in excess of the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, not including sales tax and shipping charges, for materials and labor to repair or restore any county motor

vehicle, trailer, or other equipment to an operable or useable condition, or for labor, materials or services required to prevent imminent and material injury or damage to the public or property of the county. Purchases for less than one thousand dollars may be made by the director of purchasing, subject to such regulations as the county executive may approve.

3.04.165 Limitations on awards - Estimates. The purchasing director shall make no award to other than the lowest bidder without the approval of the council.

Prior to any negotiation or call for bids, any contract covered by this chapter whose estimated amount exceeds \$3,500.00 dollars, the head of the county department involved shall prepare a detailed estimate of the amount of such contract. No contract for a sum which exceeds the estimate of amount of such contract by more than ten percent shall be awarded or entered into for the construction of any public work whatsoever or any other contract covered by this chapter in excess of thirty five hundred dollars without the approve of the council.

3.04.170 Rebid or negotiated contracts. Whenever a call for a bid which has been properly advertised results in

no bids received or whenever all bids submitted have been rejected with good and reasonable justification by the authority charged with awarding the contract involved, a new call for bids may be issued or, at the discretion of the awarding authority, the county executive or his designee may direct negotiations to be conducted with one or more suppliers or contractors to arrive at a contract based upon reasonable price and other terms; Provided, that no contract shall be negotiated at a price higher than the lowest bid, if any, received in response to the call for bids, without the approval of the council. If such a contract requires approval by the council under the provisions of the county charter or this chapter, the council shall approve such a negotiated contract; otherwise the county executive shall approve such a negotiated contract.

3.04.180 Proprietary purchases. Requirements of section 3.04.130 (3-5), (8), (9), and (10) shall not apply to purchases and contracts clearly and legitimately limited to single sources of supply and purchases involving special training, special facilities, special services, market conditions, or where compatibility is required with other county equipment, procedures or systems in which instances purchase prices and other terms may be established by direct

negotiations by the purchasing director. Such contracts shall be approved by the council except that the executive may approve such contracts where they do not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars and do not require approval by the council under the charter or other provisions of this chapter. except in such instances where approval by the council is required by the charter or other sections of this ordinance.

3.04.190 Consultant and special services contracts.

Consultant contracts may be negotiated by the county executive or the head of any administrative or executive department head; Provided, That such contracts shall be approved by the council. The following are deemed special service contracts rather than consultant contracts: title searches, policies, and reports, real property and personal property appraisals and reports, medical services and reports, contracts for inspection of buildings or other structures, and contracts for services, including reports, of witness retained in connection with litigation or possible litigation. Special service contracts as stated above, except for contracts for witness services which may be negotiated and approved by the prosecuting attorney, may be negotiated and approved by the executive.

3.04.200 Emergencies. The council or the county executive may approve such a contract as they or he might otherwise approve under the terms of this chapter and the county charter without compliance with the procedures contained in sections 3.04.130 (2-6) (9) (10) and (11) or 3.04.160 if the immediate approval of the contract is necessitated by any emergency caused by fire, flood, explosion, storm, earthquake, epidemic, riot, or insurrection, or for the immediate preservation of order or of public health or public property, or for the restoration to a condition of usefulness of any public property the usefulness of which has been temporarily destroyed, lost, or diminished, or for the relief of a stricken community overtaken by a calamity, or to perform any mandatory activity required by any law upon a finding of the existence of such emergency and entry thereof into the records of the authority having the power to approve such contract.

3.04.210 Intergovernmental services. The county may enter into contracts for intergovernmental services with other municipal corporations or agencies of the state or federal government. Such contracts shall be approved by the council.

3.04.220 Co-operative purchases. The county executive shall have authority to join with other units of government in cooperative purchasing plans and interlocal agreements to purchase when the best interests of the county would be served thereby; Provided, That each of the participating units shall be separately invoiced by the vendors for purchases made under such plans, and the county of Snohomish shall not be obligated for any purchases other than those required for its own use and supplied pursuant to its order. Such plans or agreements shall be approved by the council.

3.04.230 Exemptions. The following shall be exempt from the requirements of this chapter:

(1) Settlements of claims for taxes or damages of any sort, whether based upon tort contract, or otherwise.

(2) Contracts of employment, whether negotiated through duly authorized labor representatives or not, and payroll disbursements or any other payments incidental to such contracts.

(3) Travel and living expenses of officers and employees.

(4) Insurance and surety bond purchases.

(5) The following proprietary purchases:

(a) Utility billing (telephone, water, power, etc.)

(b) Postage, permit, fee, license involving a single source or governmental agency.

(c) Foster and other care, training, or professional services for the physical or mental care of any Snohomish County agency.

(6) Interdepartmental transactions.

(7) Performance of work by day labor by county employees as allowed by state law.

(8) The furnishing of any property, materials, construction, work or labor by any person or entity in accord with any condition of any variance, rezoning, platting, replatting, conditional use permit, or any other permit issued by the county.

(9) Foods. If the products being purchased by the county are of a perishable nature, such as meats, fish, fresh or frozen fruits and vegetables, bakery products, dairy and poultry items, the purchase may be made by the

department involved by direct negotiation, subject to the approval of the director of purchasing and such regulations as may be required by the county executive. Non-perishable foods (dry stores) shall be placed on bid at least once annually to determine the existence of a competitive base. If such a base at reasonable prices does not exist, the food involved may be purchased by direct negotiation by the department involved, subject to the approval of the executive.

(10) Purchases, sales, leases, licenses, or other contracts affecting real property.

(11) Any sale, lease, licensing, or disposal of any personal property or services by the county.

(12) Any acquisition of property by the county by the exercise of the power of eminent domain.

(13) Any exchange wherein the county receives services or property in exchange for consideration other than money.

(14) Any contracts with subgrantees or subrecipients under C.E.T.A. or other grants in aid programs. Such contracts shall be approved by the executive.

(15) Any other transaction the procedures with respect to which are controlled by any other ordinance.

3.04.240 Unregistered or unlicensed contractors. The county shall not execute a contract with any contractor who is not registered or licensed as may be required by the laws of this state: Provided, That this requirement shall not apply to contractors on highway projects who have been prequalified as required by RCW 47.28.070, with the State Department of Transportation to perform highway construction, reconstruction or maintenance.

3.04.250 Unlawful purchases. It shall be the duty of the director of purchasing to report to the county executive any suspected collusive bids or fraudulent practices coming to his attention, and he may order such bids or practices reported to the proper authorities charged with enforcement of any laws, including anti-trust laws.

3.04.260 Severability. If any sections, subsection, clause, phrase, or other portion of this chapter is held invalid, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision; and such decision shall not affect the validity of any other portion of this chapter.

3.04.270 Effective date. This chapter shall be effective February 15, 1981.

PASSED this 20th day of January, 1981.

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