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REAL ESTATE HIGHLIGHTS



RATES RATTLE REALY RISE- U.S. Home Sales Tumble: Higher Prices Mortgage Rates Eroding Availability

U.S. home sales fell by the most in a year in February as a perennial shortage of houses and double-digit price growth continued to squeeze first-time buyers out of the market. [Read more.](#)



EMPLOYERS INSIST, WORKERS RESIST- Half of All Companies Plan To Require In-Person Work Within a Year

Executives at companies around the world are preparing to push harder for in-person work despite offices dropping safety measures — all while a new coronavirus subvariant emerges. [Read more.](#)

FUTURE OF CITIES



FORMULA 1+1=2- Possible Locations for Another Formula 1 American Grand Prix

After making moves to gain market share in the United States, including the addition of Miami, which cities could Liberty Media look to put a Formula 1 race in next? [Read more.](#)



HOME BOOM, OFFICE DOOM- Midtown Manhattan with Fewer Office Workers: Imagining the Unthinkable

People want to live in Manhattan as much as they ever have. The problem is that not enough people want to work there. [Read more.](#)

URBAN PLANNING



ONWARDS AND UPWARDS- Zaha Hadid Unveils "Vertical Urbanism" and "Future Cities" Exhibitions

Addressing mounting demand for housing, infrastructure, services, and public space to accommodate new residents seeking employment opportunities, connectivity, and higher standards of living. [Read more.](#)



TAKING STOCK OF MICHIGAN BLOCKS- Urban Planner Injects New Life Into Her Michigan Community

This small city near Detroit had all the makings of a ghost town. Fortunately, one man's wasteland is another woman's blank slate. [Read more.](#)

CLIMATE CHANGE



NET LOSS- How Samsung's New Line of Mobile Phones Aims to Stop the World from 'Choking on Plastic'

Samsung has developed a new material that gives ocean-bound plastics new life as they're incorporated into various Galaxy devices. [Read more.](#)



CONCRETE IDEAS STEEL THE SHOW- How to Build Sustainably for a Growing Population

Innovative materials could be the foundation of a green era in construction. [Read more.](#)

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ONLINE GETS PHYSICAL- Online Brands Try a Traditional Marketing Strategy: Physical Stores

As digital advertising costs rise, more direct-to-consumer retailers are opening shops, leasing turnkey options or securing short-term spaces in other stores. [Read more.](#)



BOTTLENECK BLUNTS BIO BOOM- A Biomanufacturing Bottleneck Threatens to Blunt Biotech's Boom

Biomanufacturing capacity is at a critically low level for startups and early stage life sciences firms, imperiling the success of new companies and their ideas. [Read more.](#)

RESIDENTIAL



TRAIN CAMPAIGN– BuildStrong Academy Plans National Expansion to Train More Construction Workers

A nonprofit organization that trains construction workers is expanding nationally in response to a labor shortage that has prevented home builders from meeting demand. [Read more.](#)



HOMES FOAM– The Nation's 10 Most Overvalued Housing Markets Face a New Real Estate World

Mortgage rates are nearly 3/4% higher than they were a year ago, and home prices rose nationwide by 18.8%, making it harder than ever to find an affordable place to live. [Read more.](#)

LAST WORD



ASTOR LA VISTA– What Happened to the Gilded Age Mansions of New York City?

Starting around 1880, New Yorkers built some of the largest and most elaborate houses the country had ever seen. Yet within a few decades, virtually all of these massive houses had been demolished. [Read More.](#)

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