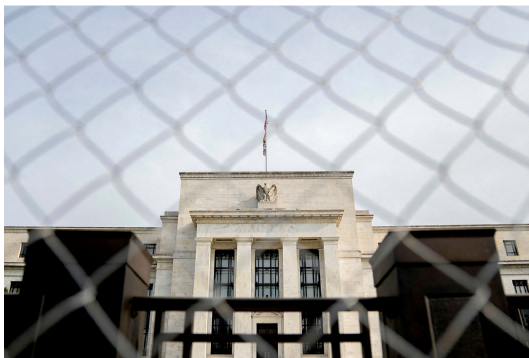


Below you'll find our roundup of the best news and developments across the web, covering everything from real estate highlights, to climate change, and city developments and urban planning.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



### ASSETS RANK AT CENTRAL BANK- Did Central Bank Balance Sheets Really Need to Get So Big?

A decade and a half of quantitative easing has led to a massive expansion in central bank balance sheets. [Read more.](#)



### PARITY RARITY- Euro Hits Parity with the Dollar for the First Time Since 2002

The euro has declined 12% due to multiple pressures from the war in Ukraine to an energy crisis and the threat of Russia cutting off gas. [Read more.](#)

## REAL ESTATE HIGHLIGHTS

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## HOME SUPPLY CONTINUES TO DRY- The Housing Shortage Isn't Just a Coastal Crisis Anymore

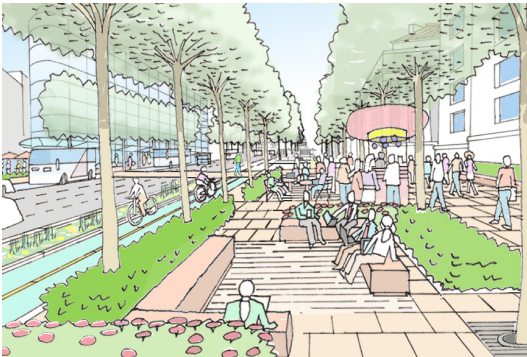
An increasingly national problem has consequences for the quality of American family life, the economy and the future of housing politics. [Read more.](#)



## RENTERS SORE AS RENTS SOAR- Manhattan Rents Soar to a Record with Landlords in Driver's Seat

Competition for apartments is fierce, and expected to get even more intense in the coming months, traditionally the market's busiest season. [Read more.](#)

# URBAN PLANNING



## NEW VIEW FOR PENN. AVENUE- Pennsylvania Ave. on Track for Fewer Car Lanes, More Focus on Parks and Bikes

The goal is to transform an overwhelming and underused avenue into a space that "prioritizes people over cars with inviting and inclusive public spaces. [Read more.](#)



## URBAN TECH CHECK- MIT Technology Review: The Urbanism Issue

Is technology making cities better—or worse? A deep dive into what we stand to lose in the pursuit of efficiency and convenience. [Read more.](#)

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### **BP SAYS WORK FROM HOME OK FOR YOU AND ME- Boston Properties' Owen Thomas Doesn't Fear Work from Home**

The CEO of America's largest publicly traded REIT focused on offices remains bullish on their role. [Read more.](#)



### **VALLEY TRAINS TAKE THE STRAIN- Silicon Valley Bets on New Transport to Counter the Rise of Remote Work**

Google expanding in San Jose as initiatives target transportation, housing. [Read more.](#)

## **CLIMATE CHANGE**



### **ANALYSTS CONFRONT CLIMATE RISKS- The Startups Predicting Climate Risk for Bond Investors**

High-tech newcomers use satellite imaging, public databases and algorithms to map out threats of natural disasters for specific towns—and even buildings—that back bonds. [Read more.](#)



### **CLIMATE HEAT PROMPTS RETREAT- A Case for Retreat in the Age of Fire**

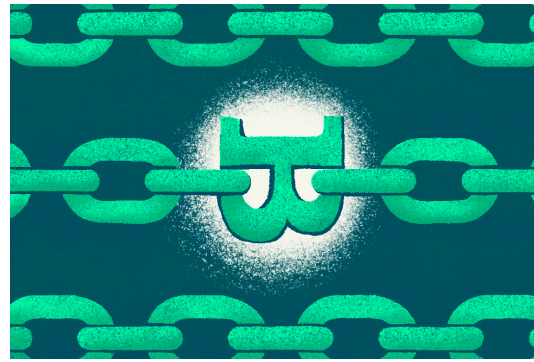
Although efforts are underway to create fire-adapted communities, it's important to realize that we cannot simply design our way out of wildfire – some communities will need to begin planning a retreat. [Read more.](#)

## **ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS**



### **PE FOR YOU AND ME- What Private Equity's Rise Means for Your Stock Investments**

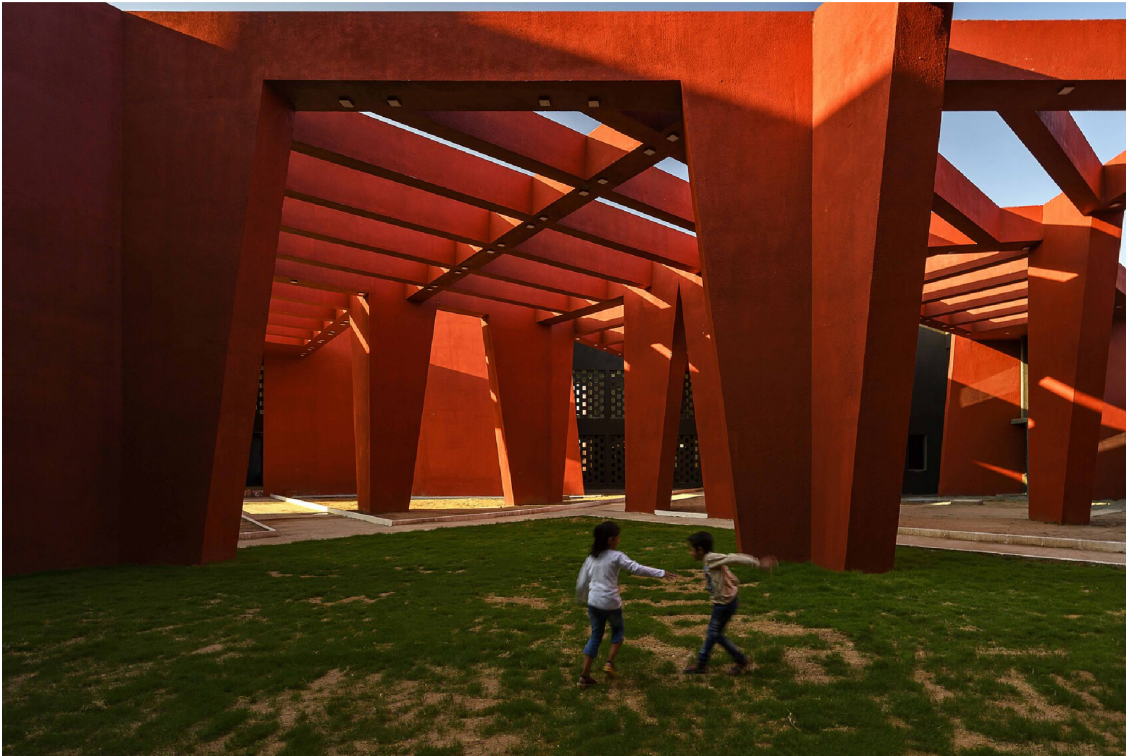
Money managers in private markets rush to woo affluent individuals, while public markets shrink; how this shift could play out. [Read more.](#)



### **BLOCKCHAIN EXPLAINED- Blockchain Is a Digital Database Used to Store Data for Crypto Transactions and Other Assets – Here's How It Works**

Blockchain technology also has many other uses beyond cryptocurrencies like bitcoin and ethereum. [Read more.](#)

## **LAST WORD**



### **SHOW RESPECT FOR ARCHITECTS- World Architecture Festival Awards Reveals 2022 Shortlist**

The World Architecture Festival (WAF) has just unveiled the annual shortlist of new projects for this year's return to an in-person competition. Competing under the theme of *Together*, the 420 total projects will vie for the live-judged festival's 43 category prizes and culminating World Building, Future Project, Interior, and Landscape of the Year awards at



the three-day event, which kicks off in Lisbon on November 30th. A new International Building Beauty Prize has been added for the 2022 cycle as well. [Read more.](#)

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