



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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



FOLLOW THE MONEY, HONEY! - Where Is the U.S. Economy Headed? Follow the Money

As the U.S. economy faces uncertainties, a closer examination of financial flows reveals insights into where it may be headed in the near future. [Read more.](#)



CONGRESS HALTS DEBT DEFAULT - Crisis Averted

The global economy breathes a sigh of relief as a potential debt limit crisis is averted, providing a temporary respite from financial turmoil and allowing for cautious optimism moving forward. [Read more.](#)

REAL ESTATE HIGHLIGHTS



BYE BYE HOME BUYS - Investors Slam Brakes on US Home Purchases as Profits Dry Up

Investors hit the brakes on U.S. home purchases as dwindling profits prompt a shift in sentiment and caution in the real estate market. [Read more.](#)



TUMBLE OR STUMBLE? - Elon Musk Says Home Prices Will Tumble 'Next'—Redfin's CEO Disagrees

Amidst rising concerns about the housing market and Elon Musk's pessimistic home price prediction, Redfin's CEO offers a contrasting perspective, pushing back on the prevailing narrative and highlighting potential factors that could influence the future trajectory of home prices. [Read more.](#)

URBAN PLANNING



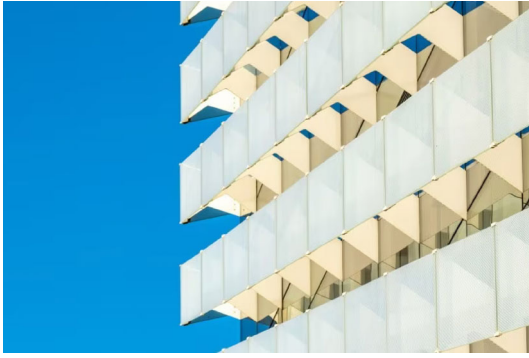
CITIES 'HOODS THRIVE WHILE OFFICES DIVE - American Cities Are Starting to Thrive Again. Just Not Near Office Buildings

While American cities are beginning to flourish once more, a shift in the locus of activity away from traditional office buildings is evident, indicating a transformation in the urban landscape post-pandemic. [Read more.](#)



POVERTY STRAITS ARE HIGHEST IN THE STATES – America Looks at Poverty all Wrong

Challenging conventional narratives, an insightful essay argues that the prevailing understanding of poverty in America is flawed and calls for a paradigm shift in addressing the complex dynamics of economic deprivation. [Read more.](#)



AS BUILDINGS GET DUMPED THERE'LL BE GOLD IN THE SLUMP - Commercial Property's Big Reset Will Present Opportunities

Following a significant run-up in values, prices reset, wiping out years of gains and leaving the credit markets the battlefield where change in ownership plays out.

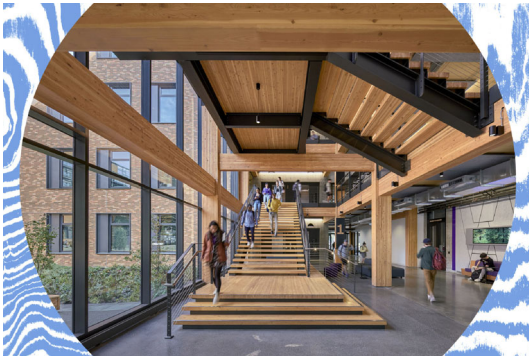
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FRIGHTENING TIGHTENING - Banks Raise Roadblocks to Small-Business Loans

Small businesses find themselves in a state of uncertainty and limbo as new borrowing hurdles hinder their access to crucial funding, jeopardizing their ability to survive and recover from the economic downturn. [Read more.](#)

CLIMATE CHANGE



WOOD IS GOOD - Sustainable Wood Buildings May Be the Next Frontier for Carbon Offsets

In a pioneering initiative on the U.S. West Coast, carbon offsets for wood buildings are being tested as a potential solution to reduce the environmental impact of construction and mitigate climate change.

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NYC'S WEIGHT MAY SEAL ITS FATE - New York City Is Sinking Under Its Own Weight

The weight of its own infrastructure and ongoing development projects is causing New York City to sink, highlighting the urgent need for sustainable urban planning and infrastructure management to mitigate the sinking phenomenon known as land subsidence. [Read more.](#)

ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS



ETFS CHOSE CLOS - Etf's Charge Into Collateralized Loan Obligations

Since the first two U.S.-listed ETFs launched in 2020, seven more have come to market. [Read more.](#)



DIRECT INVESTMENT RISE BY HNWIS - HNWIs Show a Preference for Direct Investment in Real Estate

High-net-worth individuals are displaying a growing preference for direct investment in real estate, drawn to the potential for attractive returns and portfolio diversification amid uncertain market conditions. [Read more.](#)

LAST WORD



CITIES BECOME EXPLORATORY LABORATORIES - Cities as Living Laboratories: The Smart City Projects of Amsterdam, Singapore, and Barcelona

Cities are embracing the concept of "living laboratories" as Amsterdam, Singapore, and Barcelona spearhead innovative smart city projects, utilizing advanced technologies to enhance urban life, sustainability, and citizen well-being.. [Read more.](#)

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