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Housing towers in San Francisco and Vancouver that work and don't work - and why. - Keeping score at Ground Zero: rebuilding saga continues. - WTC memorial: profiles of Arad and Walker. - Calatrava's transit hub will bend and soar (images being unveiled today). - Perhaps gentrification is such a bad word after all. - Urban development being "Floridized" not all it's cracked up to be? - Grand visions for Shanghai. - High-rise drama in Chicago. - Hoop dreams and Gehry schemes closer to reality in Brooklyn. - Boston's growing pains; lessons from the Dutch offer "harmonious coexistence of cars and pedestrians." - Extreme makeovers for towns in Illinois and Virginia. - It's a stairway law hindering mid-rise growth in Toronto. - Extreme makeover to be or not to be at 2 Columbus Circle. - New president of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland is ready for some heady battles.

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