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British and Dutch towns in for major makeovers. – A study and view on sustainable transportation and express lanes. – Earthquake-proof housing for El Salvador. – Dallas shopping center's ADA non-compliance an "unintentional oversight." – Big plans and big bucks for Brooklyn Navy Yard. – Hardy and Holzman and Pfeiffer go their own ways. – Steve Jobs wants to tear down "one of the biggest abominations of a house I've ever seen" by an architect he's never heard of. – A pod-house you can take anywhere. – A new train station is "an attractive pass-through" but could have been more. – Moving a monument causes concern. – Koolhaas devises an air-curtain façade for Rodeo Drive (perfect for L.A.-style air-kisses?). – Landscape architects in the spotlight. – New workstation lets you lay down on the job.

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[Urban outfitters: One will get cafes and plazas. The other will have a pop centre and a 'Megabioscoop'...Milton Keynes and its Dutch twin Almere...what happens when a new town gets a makeover - Rick Mather Architects; Rem Koolhaas/Office for Metropolitan Architecture \(OMA\); Will Alsop; Kazuyo Sejima; Gigon & Guyer; Christian de Portzamparc; David Chipperfield.](#)- Guardian (UK)

[Global action is needed to make transport sustainable, says study-](#) Environmental News Network

[Op-Ed: We Can No Longer Afford to Give Away Highway Lanes to Carpools and Low-Emission Vehicles-](#) PLANetizen

[Earthquake-proof housing design gets a shake-up: Replica RIAI plaques adorn the walls of a village in El Salvador where houses are being built to resist earthquakes. - Justin Kilcullen/Trócaire-](#) Irish Times

[West Village shopping center sued over disabled access: Developer said the lack of accessibility was an unintentional oversight...committed to making appropriate repairs as soon as possible. - KSNG Architects \[video link\]-](#) Dallas Morning News

[City Has 5-Year Expansion Plan for \[Brooklyn\] Navy Yard Industrial Park: \\$71 million on infrastructure improvements...development is expected to cost \\$60 million, to be raised from investors.-](#) New York Times

[Hardy Holzman Pfeiffer Associates to be Three New Firms: End - and Beginning - of an Era-](#) e-Oculus

[In Silicon Valley, Tear-Down Interrupted: could become America's highest-profile tear-down... - George Washington Smith \(1926\); Julia Morgan \(1912\) \[images\]-](#) New York Times

[In the pod-house: Polish-born architect Marcin Panpuch's clear, spherical pods...being shown at the RIBA exhibit of innovative housing, Future House London. \[image\]-](#) This is London (UK)

[A Monument to Arriving in the Middle of Nowhere: Frank R. Lautenberg Rail Station...could have been much more than an attractive pass-through. By Fred A. Bernstein - Brennan Beer Gorman-](#) New York Times

[Alarm Grows Over Monumental Move: Designer fears that World Athletes Monument \[in Atlanta\] will be damaged by proposal - Anton Glikin \[image\]-](#) International Network for Traditional Building, Architecture & Urbanism (INTBAU)

[Capt. Koolhaas Sails the New Prada Flagship \[on Rodeo Drive\]: a piece of architecture whose most dramatic gesture is invisible: the building is completely lacking a storefront in the traditional sense. By Christopher Hawthorned \[images\]-](#) New York Times

[Softening a City With Grit and Grass: American-born landscape architect...was embraced by France, Britain and the Netherlands before her native country recognized her bold, minimalist sensibility. - Kathryn Gustafson \[slide show\]-](#) New York Times

[Gardens designed to inspire thought: Cornerstone Festival of Gardens near Sonoma showcases the talents of some of the world's foremost landscape designers. - Ron Lutsko; Ken Smith; Martha Schwartz; Walter Hood; Mario Schjetnan/Grupo de Diseno Urbano; Adriaan Geuze; Pamela Burton; etc.-](#) San Francisco Chronicle

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