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Maybe they're not all bad

Laying city streets out in a traditional grid [might work better](#) than some of its detractors realize.

Is it a road or a street?

[A video explanation](#) of how they're different, and their importance in community and economic development.

Well-designed cities, happy people

[A new study](#) by two Southern universities says that good urbanism makes for more satisfied residents.

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