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Greening an existing home

[A 110-year-old urban home in Michigan](#) generates more energy than it consumes.

Making full use of city alleys

[Temporary improvements](#) by “design nerds” in Vancouver, BC.

Sustaining the suburbs

A planner in New Zealand says that [suburbs must be healthy](#) if we expect cities to thrive.

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