

that history shows that people adapt the environment to their needs—and thus the city evolves. The role of the urban designers is to help shape these evolutionary processes so that problems are avoided and opportunities are not lost.

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