

The City Must Learn to Live With *Water.*

For a century, urban design tried to remove water. The next city may need to make room for it.



SMARTER CITIES
DON'T FIGHT WATER.
THEY DESIGN WITH IT.

The City Was Designed to *Make Water Disappear.*

Pipes. Drains. Tunnels. Pumps.
For more than a century,
our cities were engineered
to move water out—fast.
Out of sight. Out of mind.
Out of the city.



A Park Can Become *Infrastructure.*

A lawn that floods.
A plaza that stores.
A wetland that cleans.
Infrastructure doesn't
always look like
infrastructure.
It can look like life—
until the storm arrives.



MULTIFUNCTIONAL
LANDSCAPES.
RESILIENT CITIES.

THIS PARK
PROTECTS
OUR CITY.
TODAY.
TOMORROW.
TOGETHER.



Concrete Cannot Solve a Water-Cycle *Problem Alone.*

Pipes move it.
Tunnels store it.
Pumps push it.
But water has many paths.
Resilience requires
systems, not silver bullets.



GREY + GREEN +
POLICY + DATA.
THAT'S RESILIENCE.



Flooding Is Also an *Inequality Machine.*

Water follows gravity.
But damage follows wealth.
Same storm. Different outcomes.
Resilience must be designed
as a matter of justice—
not just engineering.



A CITY THAT PROTECTS
THE PRIVILEGED
IS NOT RESILIENT.
IT IS SELECTIVE.

CAPITAL IS SCARCE.
CHOICES ARE POLITICAL.



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Your Street May Need a Second *Job.*

Streets can move more than traffic.
They can move water.
Kerbs can guide it.
Tree pits can capture it.
Pavements can absorb it.
Design turns a street
into part of the solution—
not part of the problem.



EVERY DROP MANAGED
ON THE SURFACE
IS **RISK REDUCED** BELOW.



KERBS GUIDE
Directing water
where it's needed.



TREE PITS CAPTURE
Nature slows,
filters and stores.



PERMEABLE SURFACES
Let water in,
not run off.



**STREET GRADIENTS
CHANNEL**
Routes for extreme
rainfall.



**UNDERGROUND
STORAGE**
Holds today.
Protects tomorrow.

Resilience Is Becoming a *Property* *Value.*

Resilient cities don't just survive storms—they continue. Businesses reopen. Homes stay habitable. Investment stays confident. Resilience is now an economic advantage, not an optional expense.



RESILIENCE DRIVES
CONTINUITY.
CONTINUITY DRIVES VALUE.



LOWER RISK
Reduced damage.
Lower insurance.



STRONGER MARKETS
Stable property.
Attractive capital.



HEALTHIER PLACES
Cooler, greener,
more liveable.



SOCIAL CONTINUITY
Equity sustains
communities.



ADAPTIVE SYSTEMS
Flexible today.
Prepared tomorrow.

THE FUTURE IS NOT DRY.
THE FUTURE IS DESIGNED.



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