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The Death and Life of Affordable Housing--panel video

Via Congress for the New Urbanism, I came across this link to what looks like a great panel discussion hosted by the Cato Institute and cosponsored by Next American City, called "The Death and Life of Affordable Housing." Here is the [link to the video](#). The session features a terrific lineup of thoughtful commentators. From the event description:

Featuring **Ryan Avent**, Author of *The Gated City*; **Adam Gordon**, Staff Attorney, Fair Share Housing; **Randal O'Toole**, Senior Fellow, Cato Institute, and author of *American Nightmare: How Government Undermines the Dream of Homeownership*; **Matthew Yglesias**, author of *The Rent Is Too Damn High*; moderated by **Diana Lind**, Executive Director and Editor-in-Chief, Next American City. . . .

The Cato Institute and *Next American City* will jointly host a panel discussion about housing and development policy in American cities. For several decades, U.S. policymakers have grappled with how to make housing more affordable for more people. In the past year, several new books have claimed that various government tools, such as zoning and subsidies, have limited people's access to desirable, affordable housing—while other leading thinkers have suggested that markets alone will not create socially, economically, and environmentally sustainable communities. With a shared goal of creating livable, affordable communities for all people—but diverging ideas of how to get there—the panel will give voice to a range of perspectives on the hotly debated issue of how to shape 21st-century American cities.

I plan to check it out this weekend. Enjoy,

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