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Many of us are talking about how there are just too many of us on this planet. The virus thrives in overcrowded conditions and perhaps is trying to tell us to focus on lower density housing made possible by lowering demand. Promoting birth control and family planning worldwide is perhaps the best response to many of the ills we are facing: road congestion, a world wide issue, as well as loss of animal and plant habitats, etc. People often forget we also need urban greenery and parks everywhere to protect our lungs. We can't just mow down everything in the city as we are now doing in the hope of curbing growth in the suburbs and think people will want to stay in an urban environment.. I live on a so call smart corridor and deal with noise and pollution daily--this model is simply not working.

Please look at the tenets of the no-growth argument... it may be that slowing growth will actually promote economic prosperity in the long run rather than detracting from it. We are having the wrong conversation. If you haven't, require your staff to read the book Sapiens. It addresses this issue among others, pointing out how we humans have taken more than our share of the world's resources. Smart growth and transit corridors and transit villages....these looked good some years ago, but their time has passed.