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socialist utopias to the capitalist visions of the edge city, the history of

the suburbs is not simply a history of competing urban forms; rather, it is a history of alternatives that advocated collective solutions over the dominant model of single-family home ownership and car-dominated spaces."--