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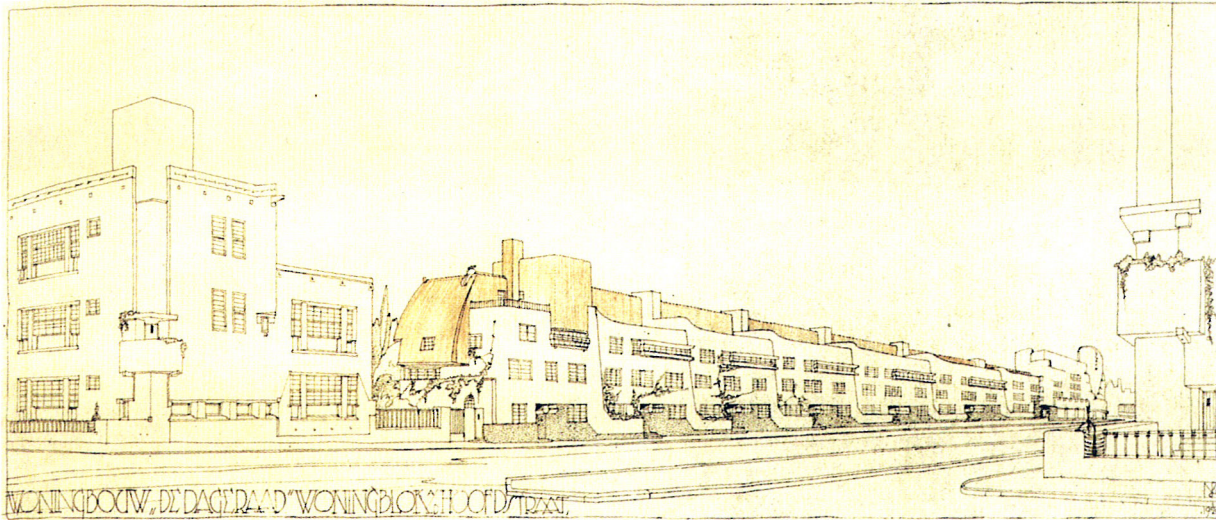


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Amsterdam, Hoofdweg, 1927  
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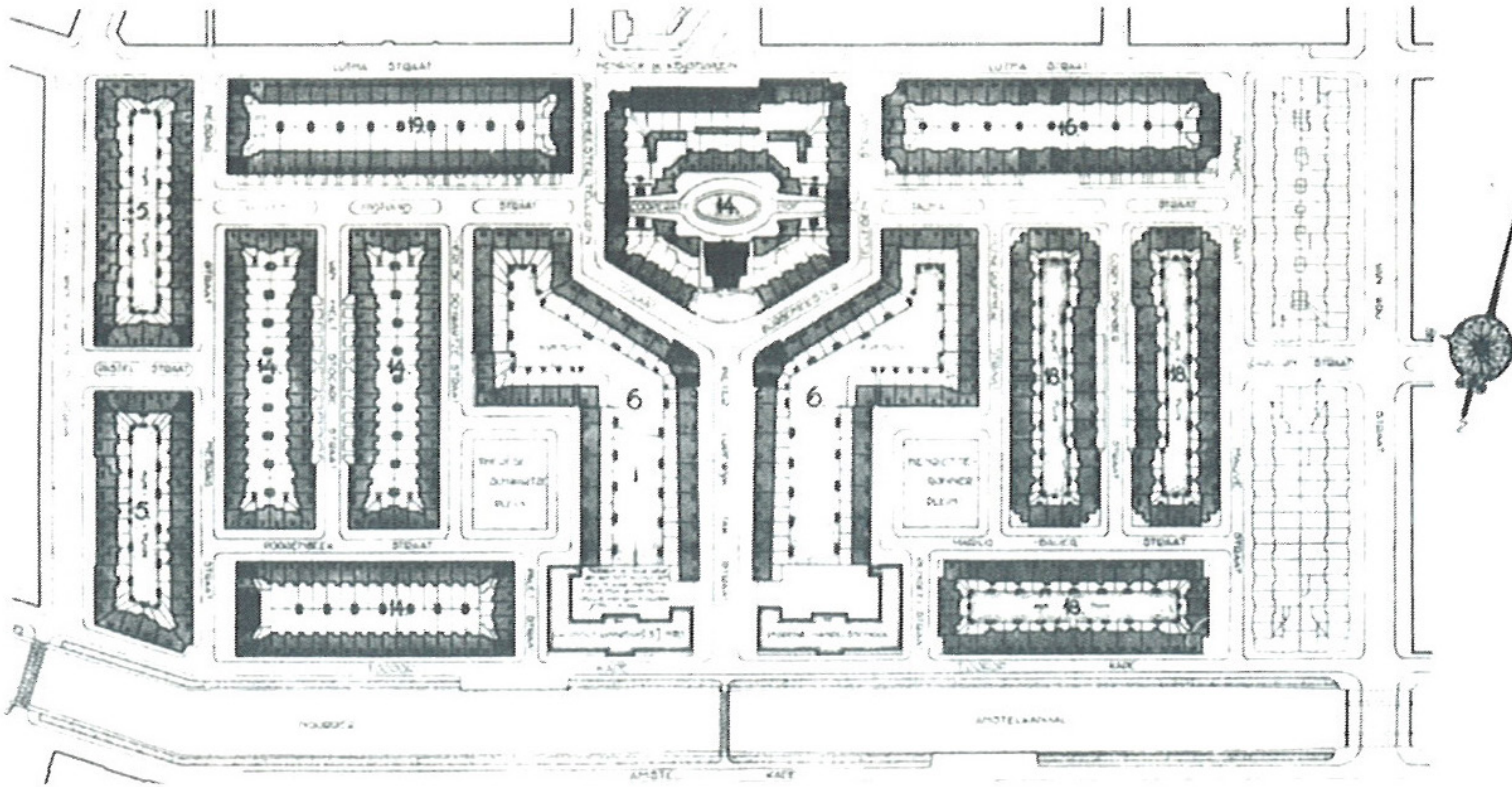
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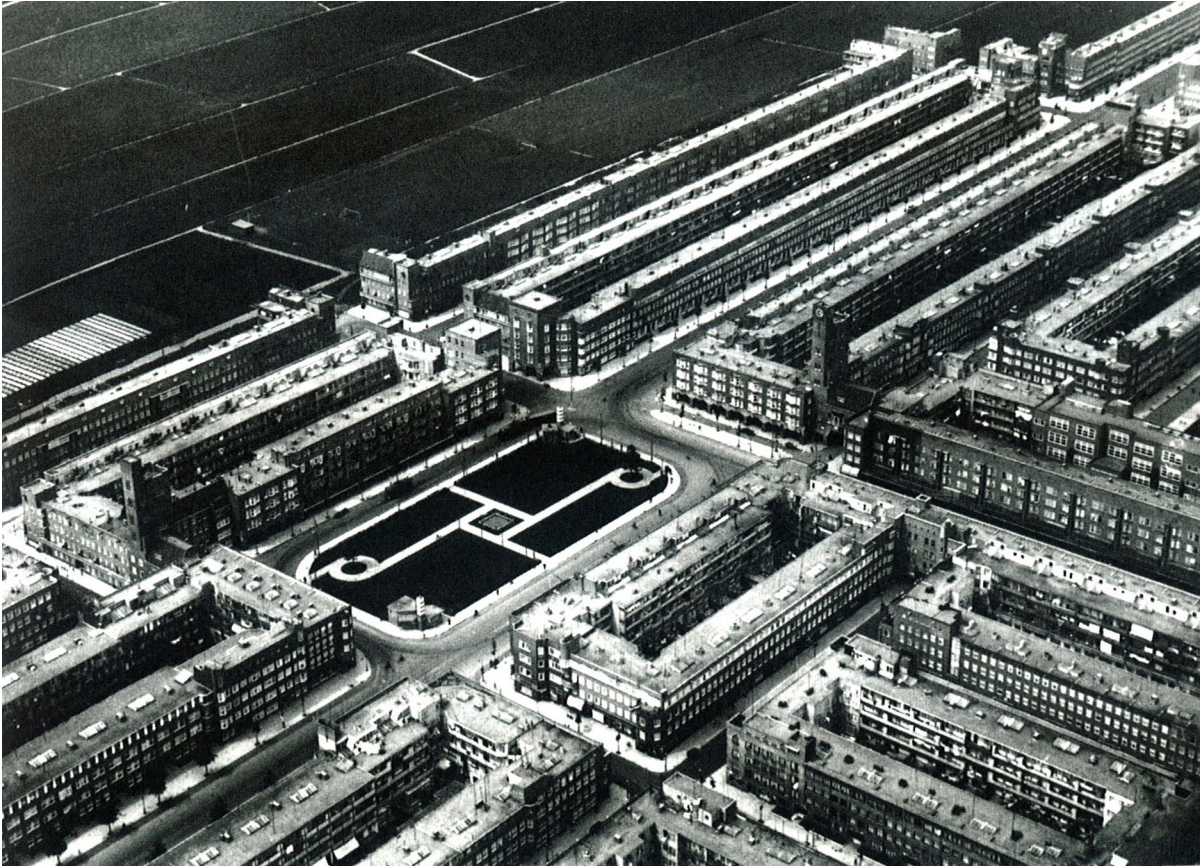


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The Red Vienna

Election poster of the Social-Democratic Party of Austria, 1927



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### The model – Court (“Hof”) and super-block

- an emblematic typology of the social-democratic municipal government
- based on impressive historic patterns of the Habsburg Monarchy
- aims the creation of specific locations of beauty in the uniform capitalistic city
- an alternative to the surrounding

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### The model – Court (“Hof”) and super-block

- the “proletarian second city” in the capitalist surrounding
- an answer, but not a contrast to the capitalist surrounding
- continuous implementation in the urban structure
- acceptance of neighbor street lines and building highs
- transmission of historic formal elements



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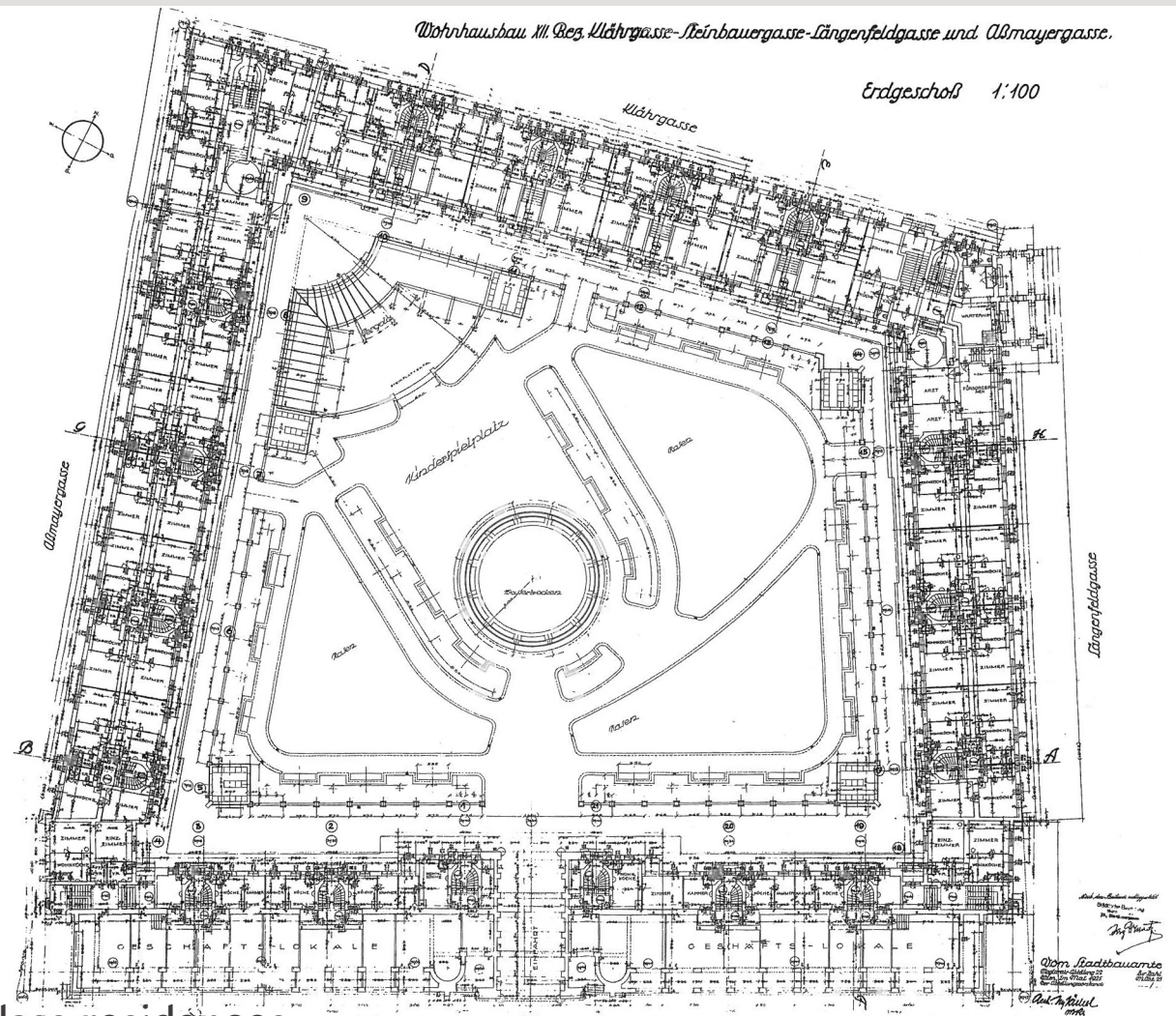
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### Theoretical and political background:

- adaptation of Marxism to the complex capitalistic universe
- progressive turn from private to socialist capitalism
- step by step expropriation of the immovable capital by directed inserted taxes

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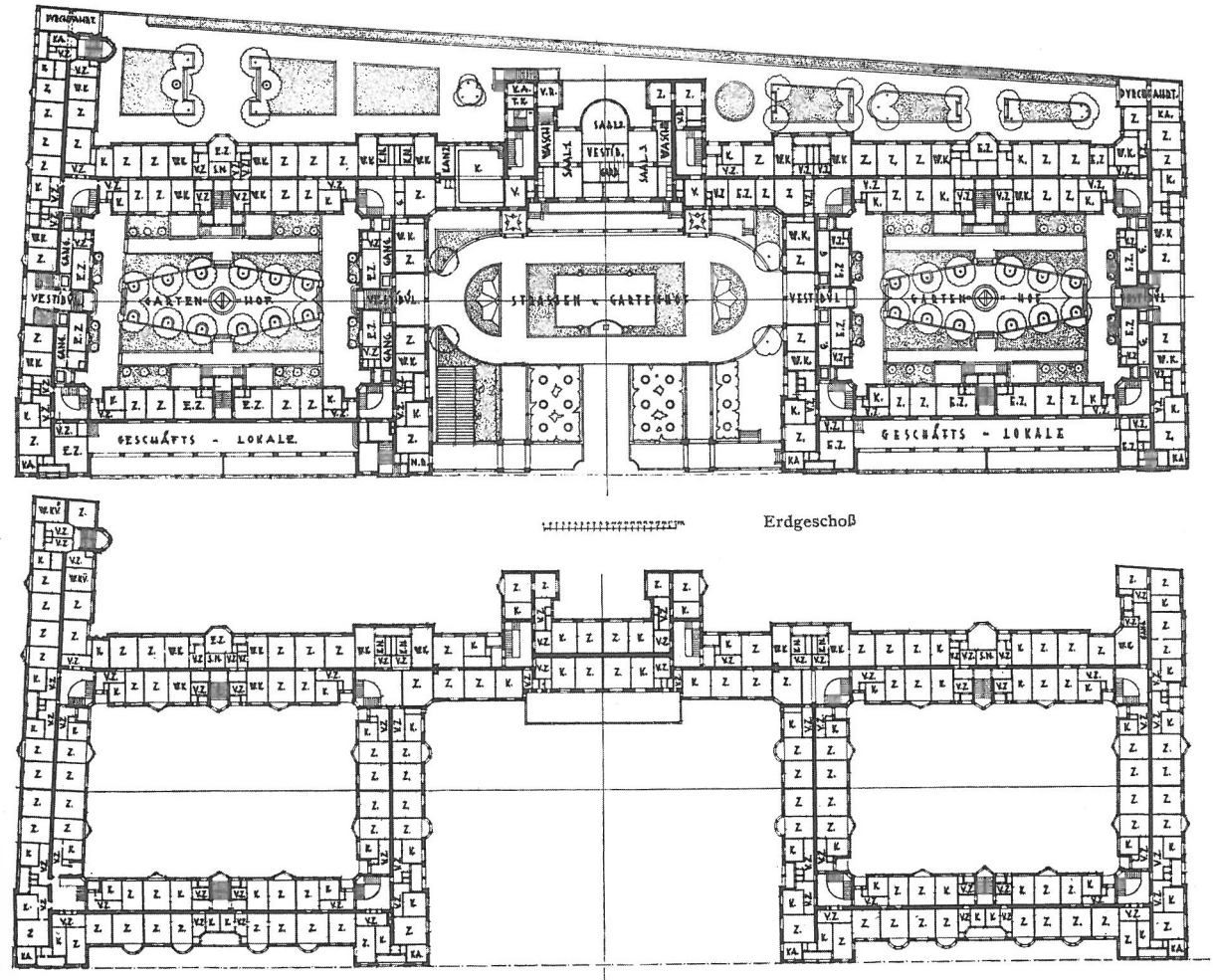
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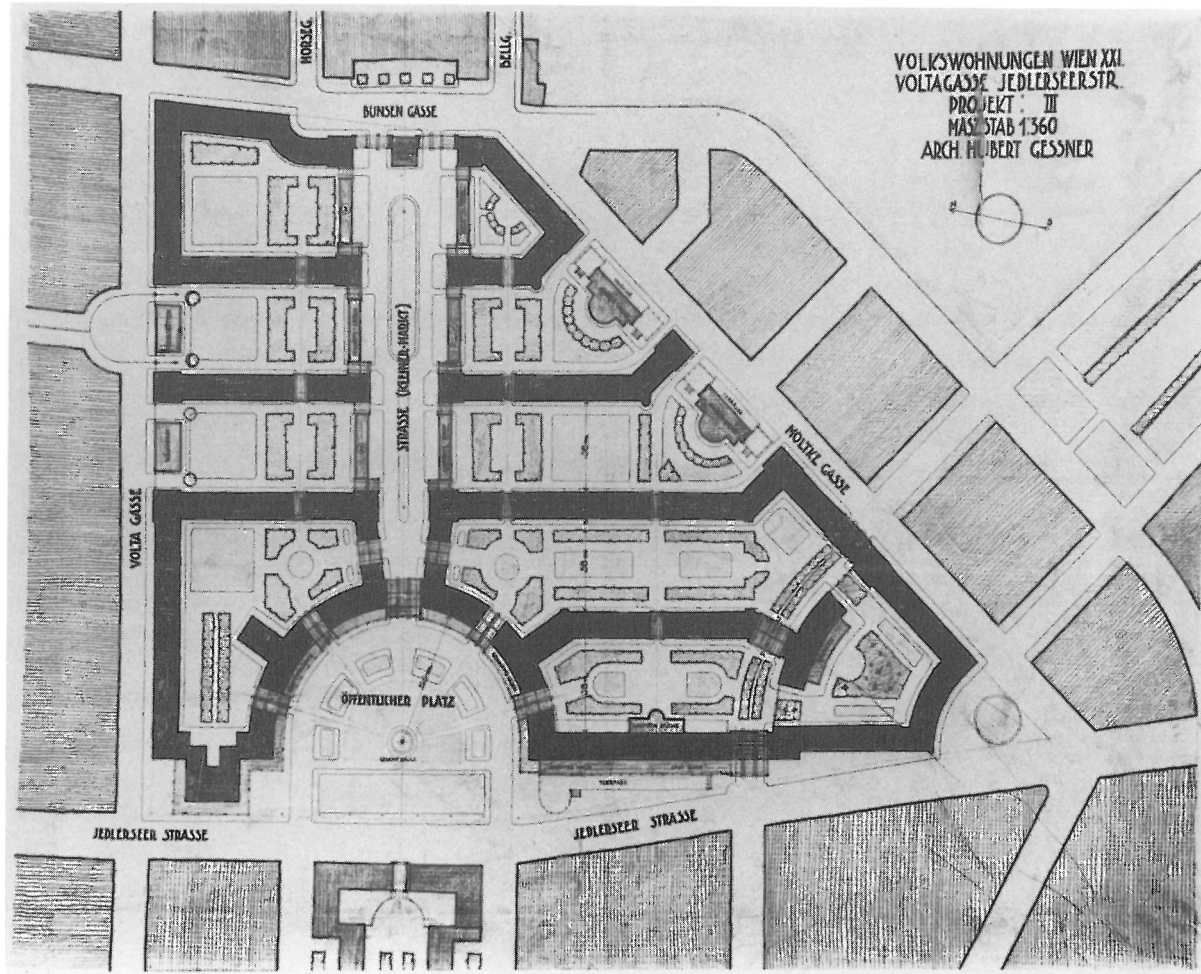
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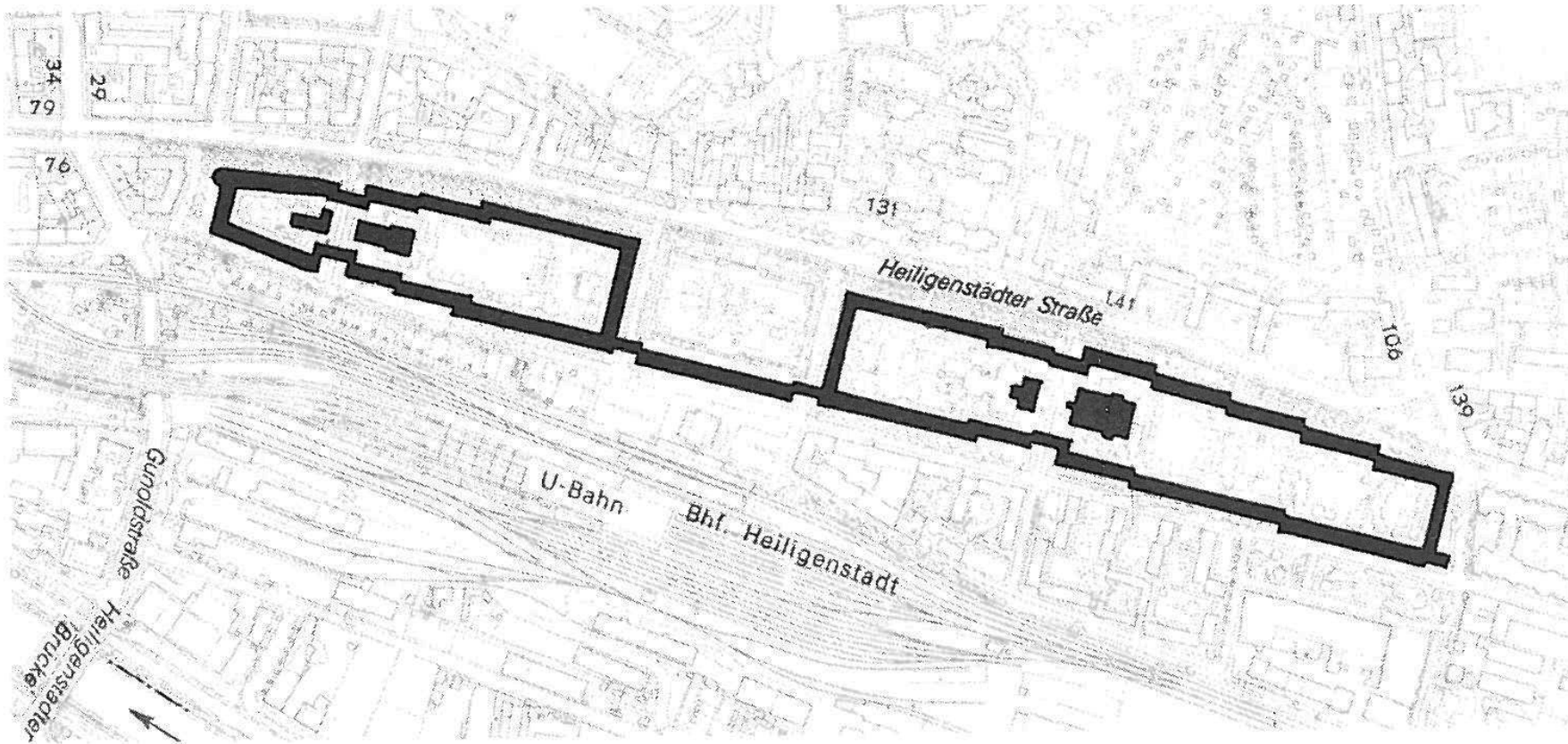


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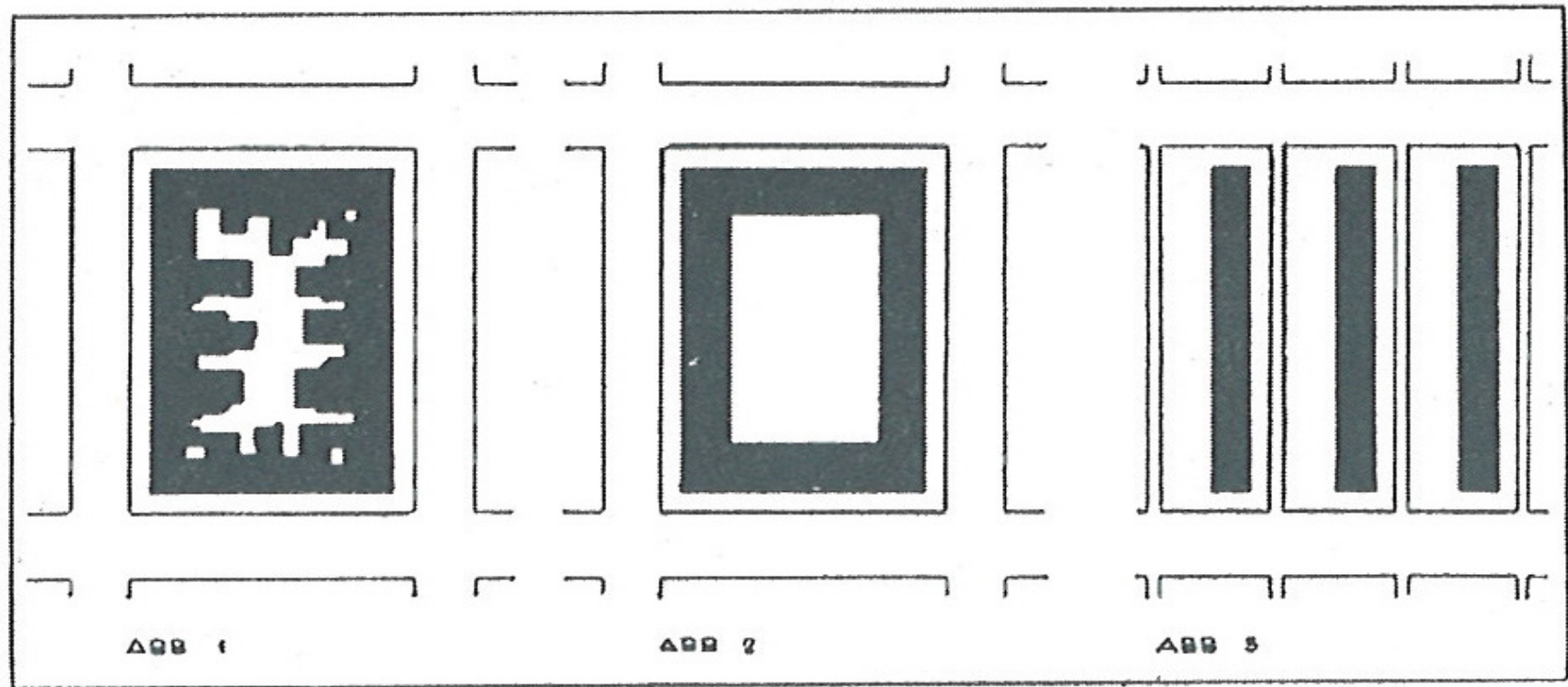


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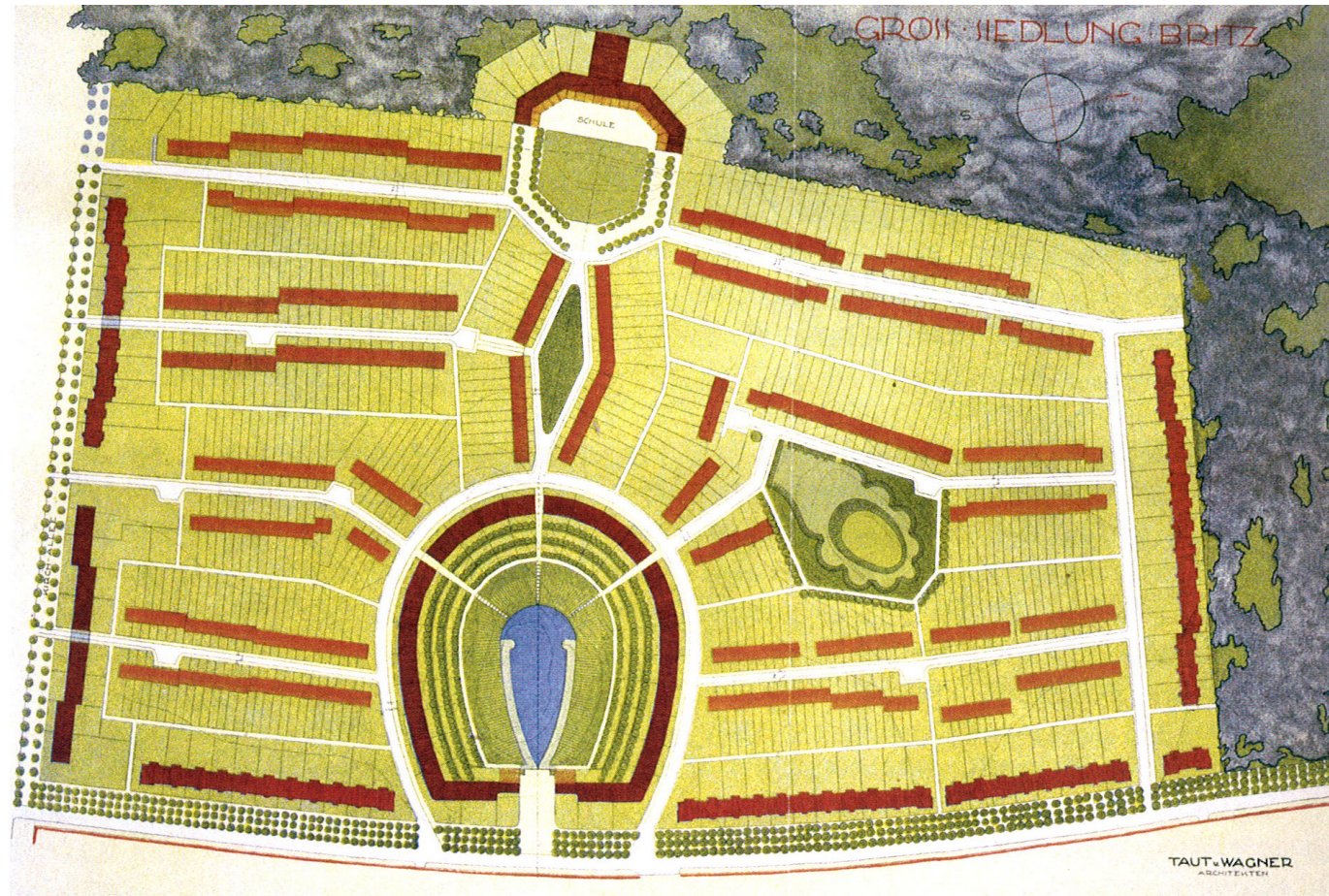


"Das neue Bauen"  
Scetch by Walter Gropius, 1929



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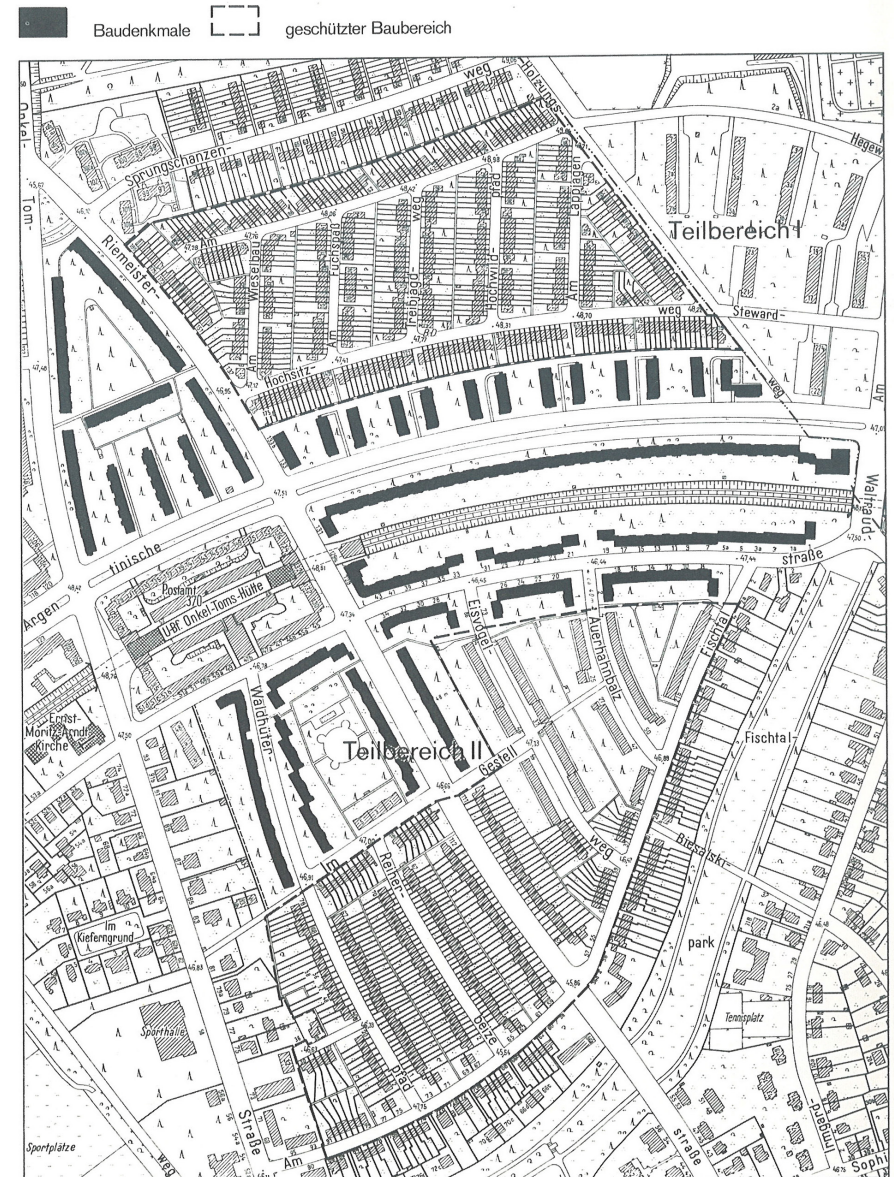
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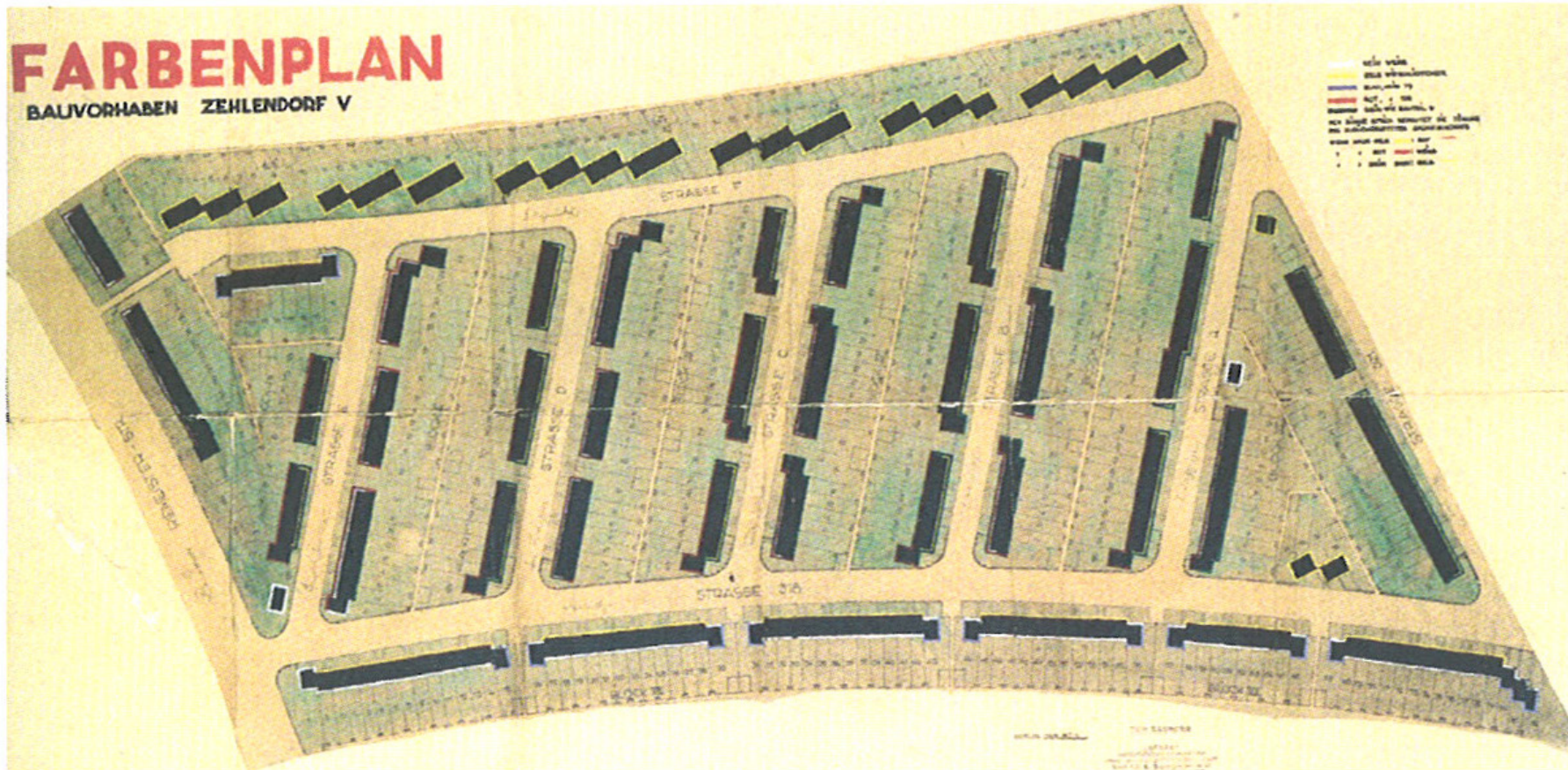
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## Fragment of Berlin-Zehlendorf (Uncle Tom's Hut), 1934

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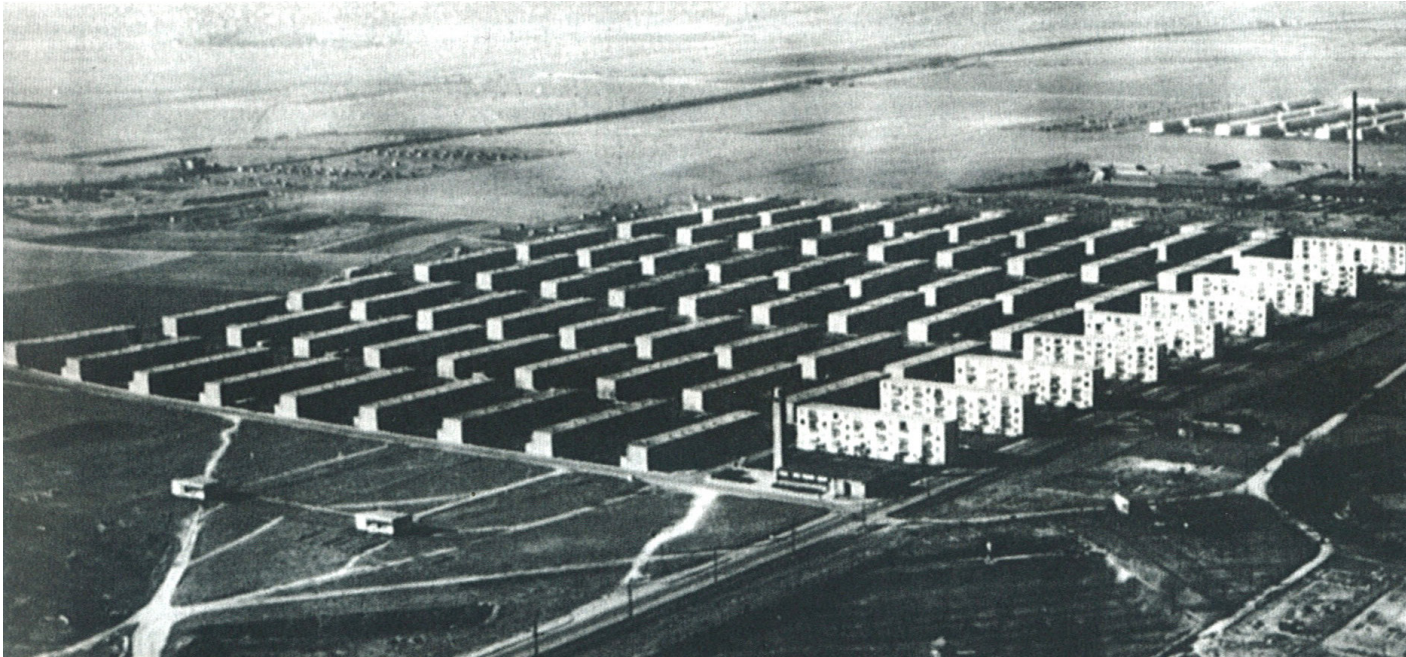


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Karlsruhe, housing estate Dammerstock, 1929  
Gropius and Haesler



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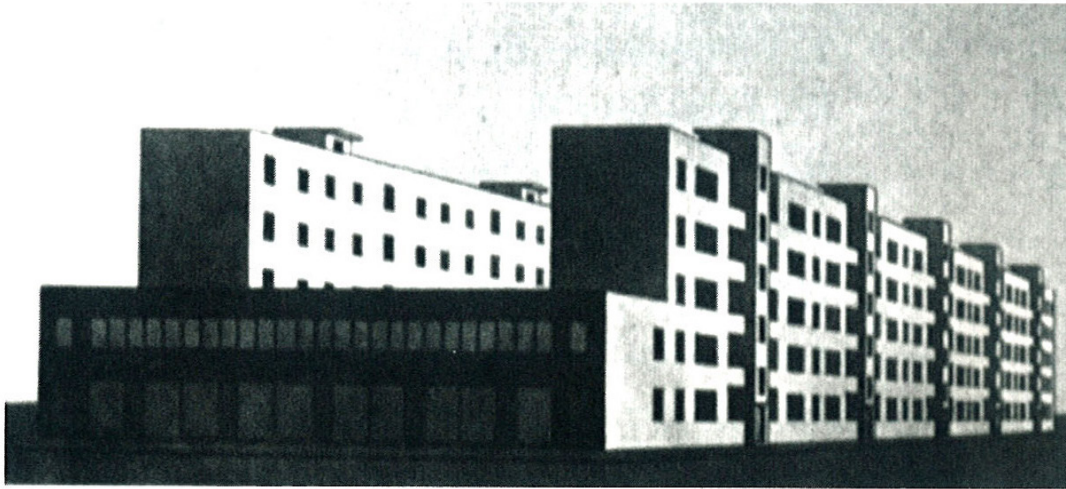
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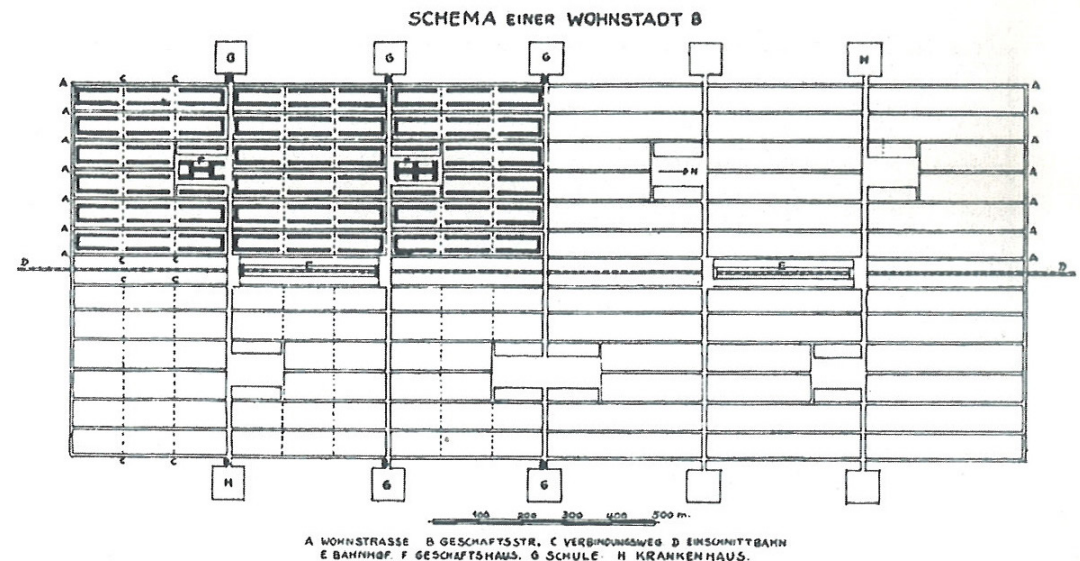
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Frankfurt, housing estate Westhausen, 1931  
May, Boehm and Bangert

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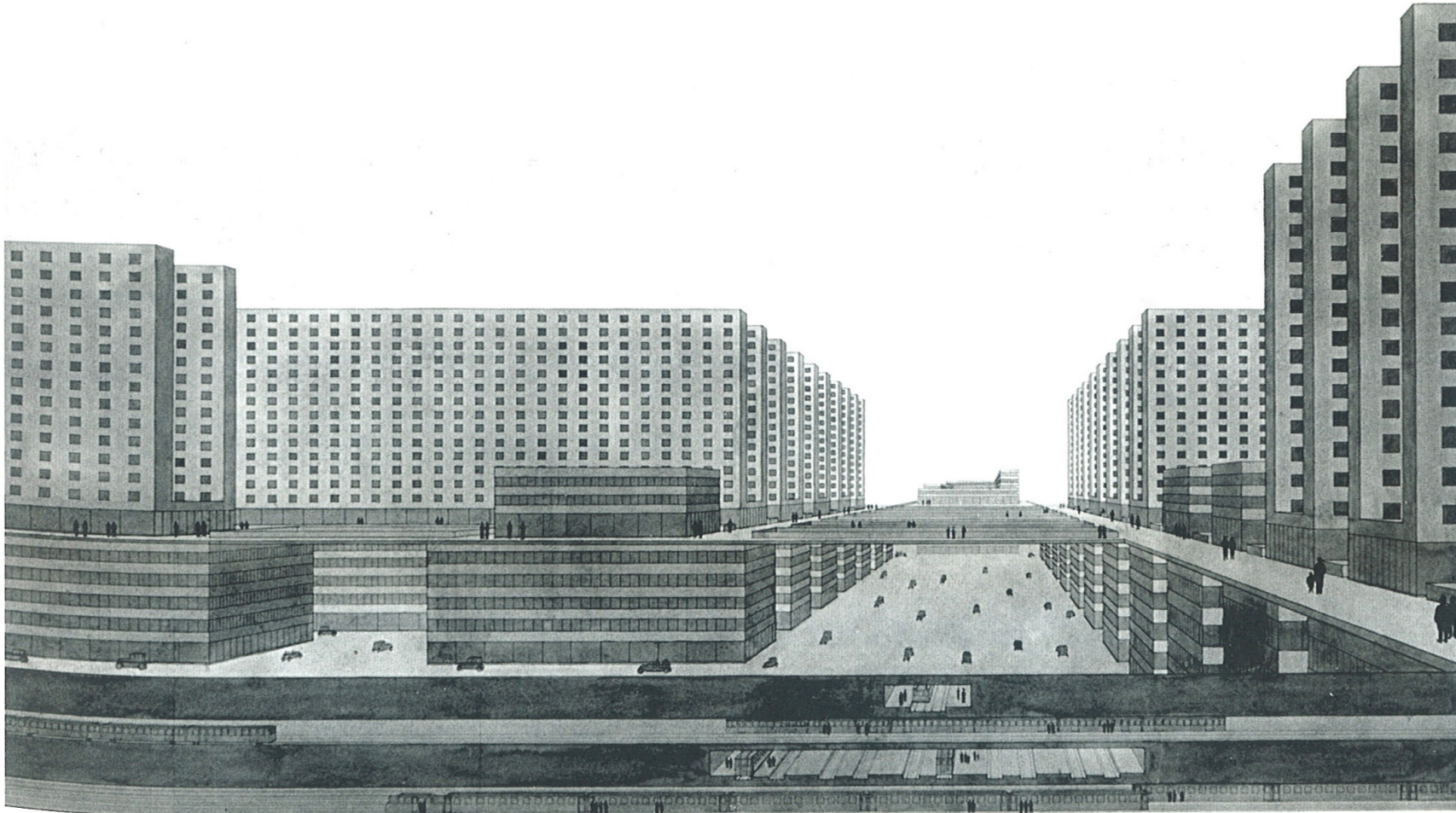
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The Housing City Project, 1923  
Hilberseimer





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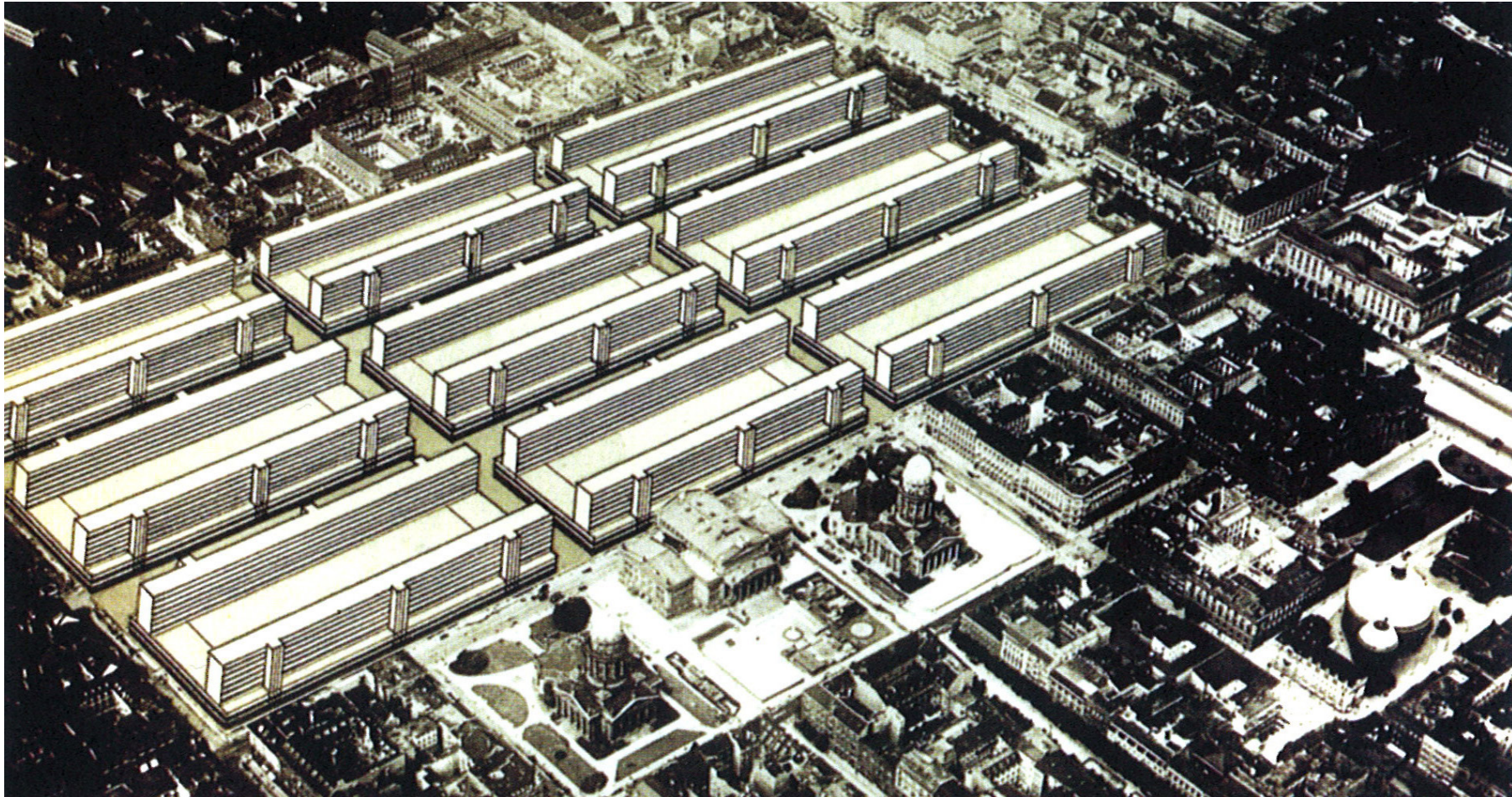


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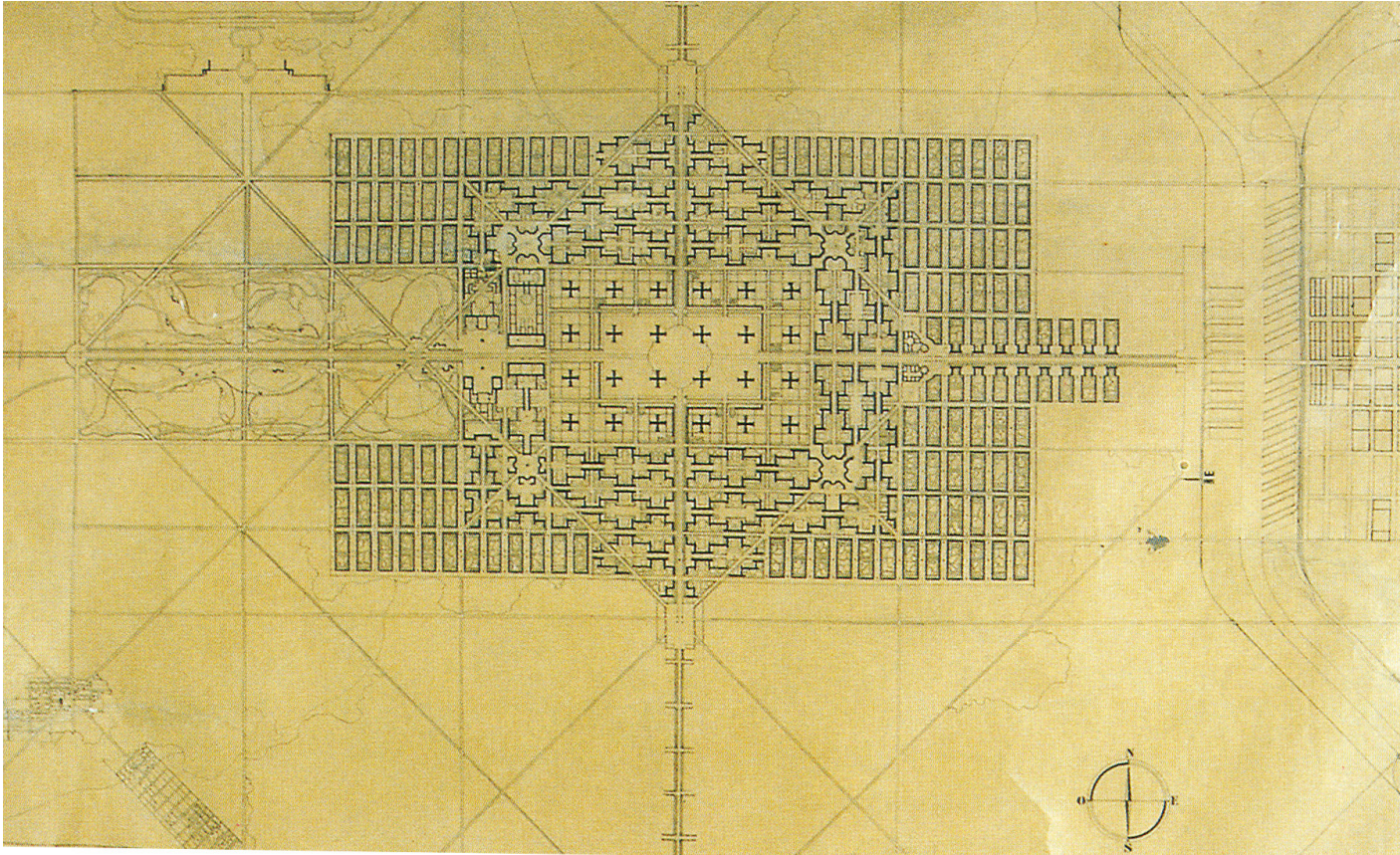


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Berlin Reconstruction Project, 1928  
Möhring, Eberstedt and Petersen



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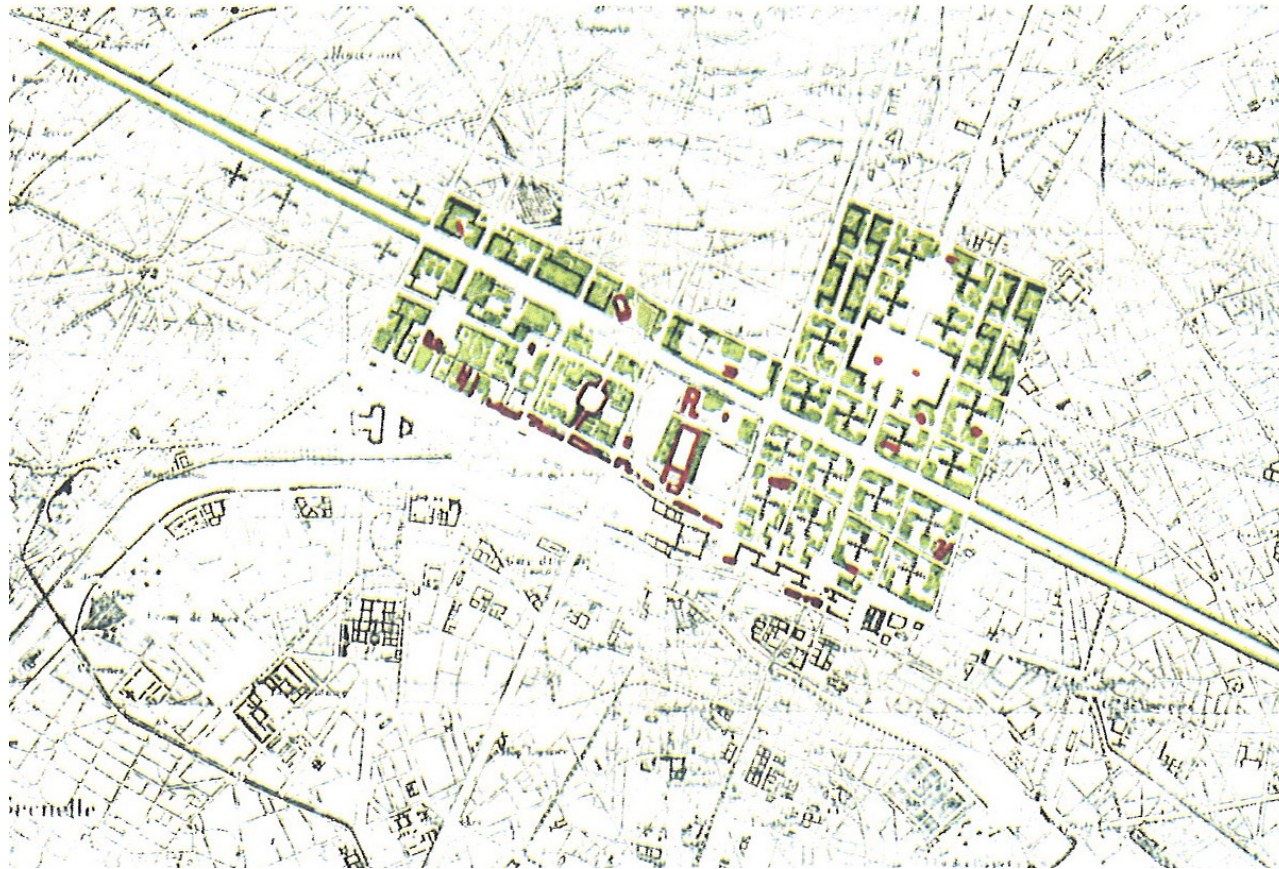


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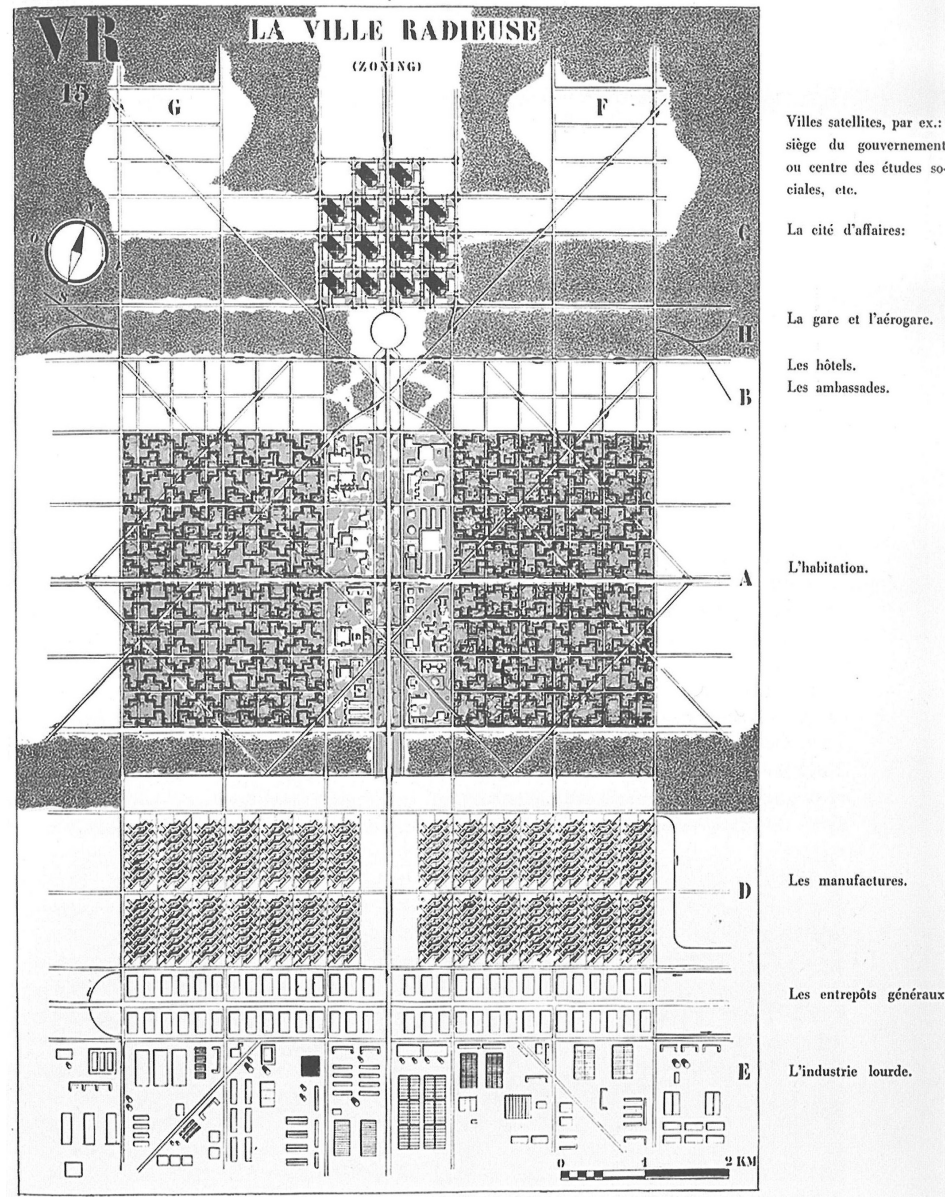
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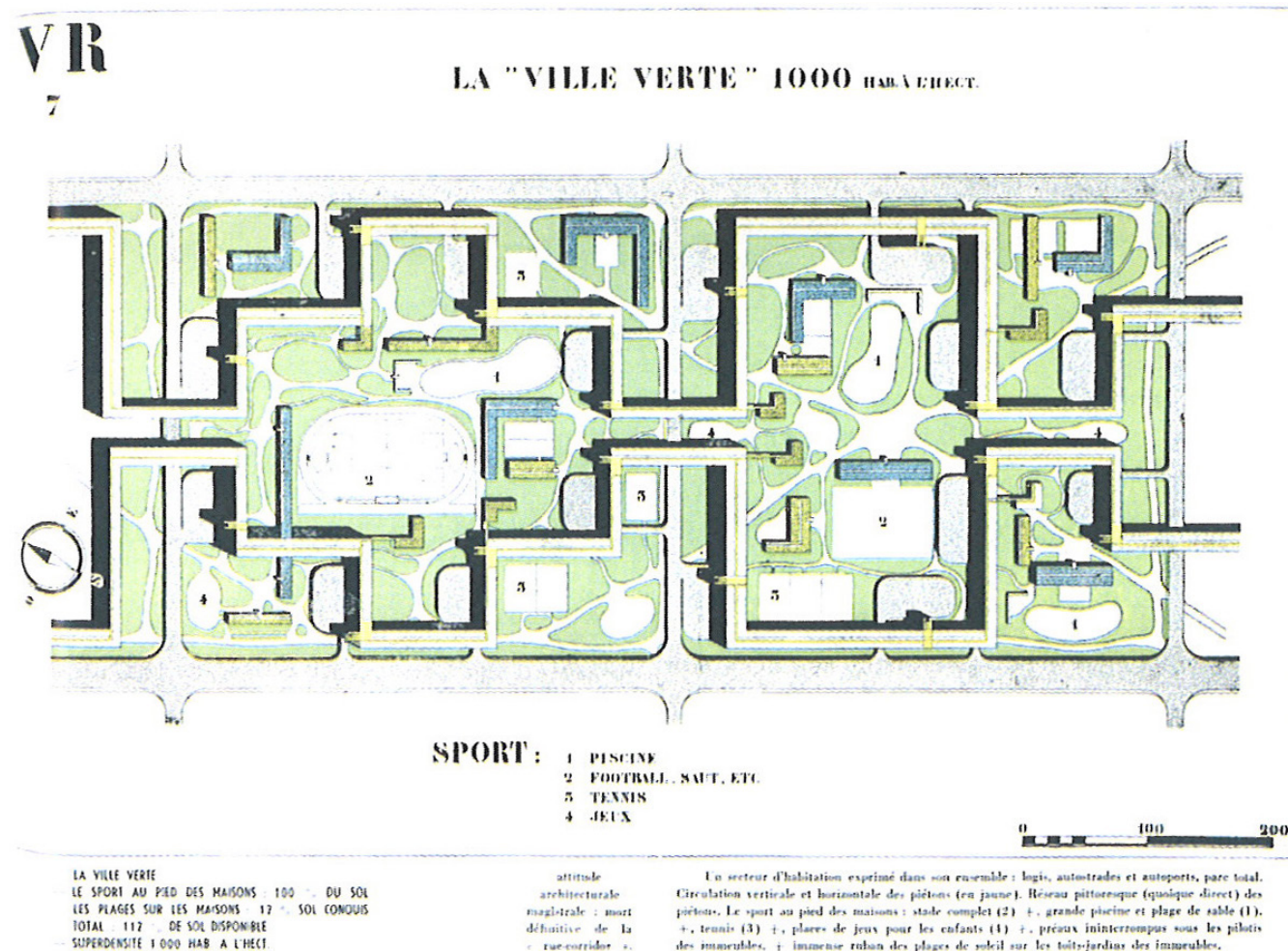
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CIAM (Congres Internationaux d'Architecture Moderne) 1928

Discussion platform for differentiated ideas of modernism

Consensus: the functional city



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The Charta of Athens 1933

### Canon of the basic functions of the city

- housing
- working
- leisure
- transportation