The road to growth in Washington is out of the exurbs

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The next phase of growth in the Washington region will be likely to be places such as Annandale, which has land to build with.

In the suburban office park that, not so long ago, was the epitome of urban living, it's getting more difficult to tell the difference between work and home. At least that's the view of one developer who is busy transforming the buildings of Georgetown Park, a 50-year-old office complex in northwest Washington, into residential and retail spaces.

"It's the kind of place where people expect to work and live," said Robert G. Maxwell Jr., president of Yellow Taxi Realty, which is overseeing the development. "That's the way of the future. It's a reflection of the way we live now.

According to the new zoning code approved last spring by the D.C. government, many areas that were historically zoned for commercial use are now eligible for mixed-use development.

The changes are expected to allow for more residential units in parts of the city, including Georgetown, where construction of new residential developments is already underway.

In the early 1960s, when Maxwell started his career as a real estate agent, the district was still recovering from the effects of the Great Depression. The central business district was still struggling to attract business, and the suburbs were becoming more popular as places to live.

"We had to go out of town to find workers," Maxwell said. "Now, we have people who want to live here and work in the city.

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