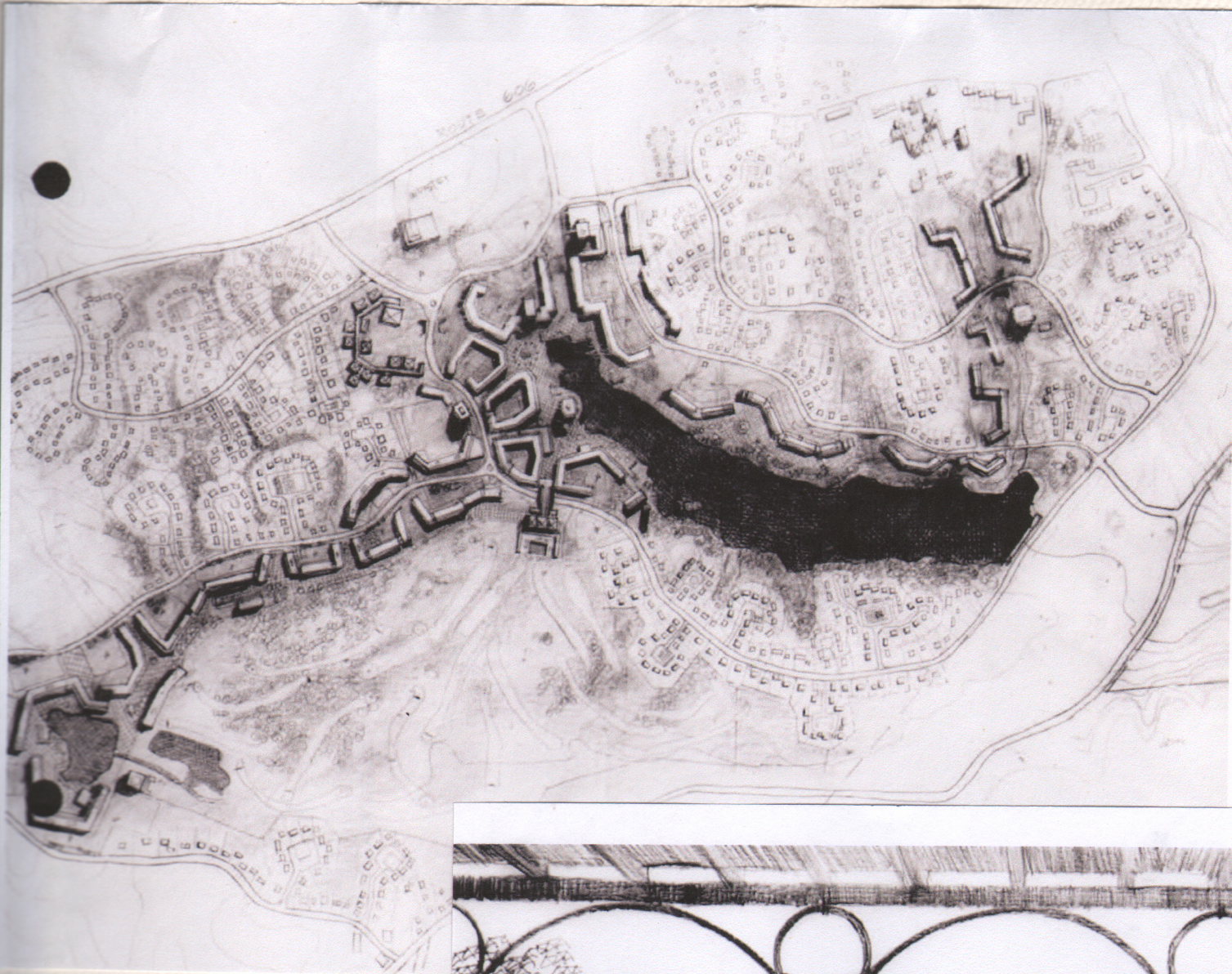


*Reston's Founding Principles **

- 1. That the widest choice of opportunities be made available for the full use of leisure time. This means that the New Town should provide a wide range of cultural and recreational facilities as well as an environment for privacy.*
- 2. That it be possible for anyone to remain in a single neighborhood throughout his life, uprooting being neither inevitable nor always desirable. By providing the fullest range of housing styles and prices – from high-rise efficiencies to 6-bedroom townhouses and detached houses – housing needs can be met at a variety of income levels and at different stages of family life. This kind of mixture permits residents to remain rooted in the community if they so choose – as their particular housing needs change. As a by-product, this also results in the heterogeneity that spells a lively and varied community.*
- 3. That the importance and dignity of each individual be the focal point for all planning, and take precedence for large-scale concepts.*
- 4. That the people be able to live and work in the same community.*
- 5. That commercial, cultural and recreational facilities be made available to the residents from the outset of the development – not years later.*
- 6. That beauty – structural and natural – is a necessity of the good life and should be fostered.*
- 7. Since Reston is being developed from private enterprise, in order to be completed as conceived it must also, of course, be a financial success*

* Reston Masterplan, Simon Enterprises 1962.
<http://www.restonmuseum.org/main_/images/masterPlan.pdf>



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* What a town or building is,
is governed,
above all,
by *what is happening* there.

The *life* of a house, or of a town, is not given to it directly by the
shape of its buildings, or by the ornament and plan — it is given to them by
the *quality of the events* and situations we encounter there.

Always, it is our situations which allow us to be what we are.²

