



# DEVELOPMENT AT THE EDGE: THE FUTURE OF REGIONAL URBANIZATION

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AN ON TO 2050 BIG IDEAS FORUM

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WHEN  
**December 6, 2016**  
4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

WHERE  
**Two Brothers Roundhouse**  
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Aurora, IL 60505

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