# in 2 sides



## Dr. Anthony Townsend Bits and Atoms www.bitsandatoms.net

# the 1st law of smart cities: computers > people





# 2nd law of smart cities: everything is a service



# Smart cities elude clear definition...



the engineering version ...the effective integration of physical, digital and human systems in the built environment to deliver a sustainable, prosperous and inclusive future for its citizens.



**Smart cities – Vocabulary** 

# DELIVERING THE SMART CITY

Governing Cities in the Digital Age

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# the governance version [a city] whose citizens and businesses and government are well-connected and well-



the planner's version [c]ommunities where government, business, and citizens are using digital technology to address timeless urban problems.



smart city market forecast for 2020 (annual worldwide sales) 2011 \$100 billion (Pike Research) 2013 \$408 billion (Arup) 2014 \$1.56 trillion (Frost & Sullivan)  $\sim -3\%$  of the built environment @ any scale **\$500b** US interstate system, or cellular networks

# Planning of smart cities has been pretty top-down.





## AUTOCRATIC **CITY-STATES**







# The smart cities movement is spreading to the world's great dysfunctional democracies



INDIA





## BRAZ (& LATIN AMERICA)

# **UNITED STATES**

# And a new strategic practice is emerging - with potential for broader participation.





# Digital Master Planning Can We Bring Smart Cities Back to Earth?



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# **Digital master plans** show cities are getting serious about getting smart.



THE CITY OF CHICAGO TECHNOLOGY PLAN





Using the creative power of new technologies to serve London and improve Londoners' lives

# We studied 8 plans published between 2011 and 2015.

DIGITAL MASTER PLANNING: An Emerging Strategic Practice in Global Cities

TOWNSEND AND DR. STEPHEN LORIMER

Marros Institution

**Barcelona** Smart City Vision

2012

**New York** Road Map for the Digital City

2011

for **Dublin** 



Smart London Plan

# How we analyzed digital master plans



WHAT'S IN THE PLANS?



HOW WERE THEY MADE?

WHAT IS THE APPROACH TO IMPLEMENTATION?

# **Content** WHATS IN THE PLANS? # number of proposed initiatives by policy area



\*San Francisco also includes 89 IT Infrastructure initiatives not shown.



Subsequent plans are getting more strategic looking at **long-term infrastructure** needs, **workforce**, and **inter-operability**.

Chicago's is the only one with a vision for technology in **public space**.

Hong Kong's has a lot of **economic policy** for the entrepôt city.

Dublin's was the only one with a robust **evaluation framework**, the Digital Maturity Scorecard.

# Common Elements among the plans





## STRONG AUTHORSHIP

Most of these plans had a single author who initiated and executed the entire plan development.

## 2ND HALF PLAYS

Typically, these plans were initiated in the second half of a mayor's first term in office. Bread and butter issues came 1st.

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## CELEBRATIONAL

A lot of these plans is devoted to documenting accomplishments and ongoing work. That's OK because they are cutting across silos.



# Big Differences between the plans



## TIME HORIZON

The plans range in outlook from a single term to many decades.

Only one of the plans made a serious attempt at proposing a tracking process. Most played fast and loose with scoring themselves. A growing number are being updated.

## **EVALUATION AND** LEARNING



## **ROLE OF STAKEHOLDERS**

The plans all take a different view of who gets a say, and who is enlisted to put the plan's recommendations into action.



# Process HOW WERE THE PLANS MADE?

Since no one knows how to do it, and there are few statutory planning requirements, cities invented planning processes on the fly.



NEW YORK: private consultations with some powerful stakeholders.

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CHICAGO: community involvement, more public process.



DUBLIN: highly open, mostly online.

## COMMUNITY -DRIVEN



LONDON: large steering committee, public hearings.



Arup, a global architecture, engineering and design consultancy developed this map as part of its contribution to the Smart London Board.

# URBAN STREETS CAN'T BECOME A BLACK BOX

## Who I am

Head of the Transatlantic Urban Mobility Initiative at the German Marshall Fund

City official under three mayors in NYC and DC

Led economic strategy in DC when ridehailing arrived

Partner in the 1776 Seed Fund, managing investments in smart cities.

## Traditional urban mobility



## New mobility services



### FutureStructure

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# Unanswerable questions

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## In their eyes...

**Cities don't know what data they need**– they ask for everything. And then they need us to help use it.

There is no way we can handle all the one-off data requests we get from the government.

We have to protect our passengers' privacy!

# They are trying (sort of)



# But the backlash is growing...

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#### To Measure the 'Uber Effect,' Cities Get Creative

LAURA BLISS JAN 12, 2018

Ride-hailing companies are cagey on all-important trip data. So researchers are finding clever workarounds.



They'd cut back on traffic, ease air pollution, and complement public transit. Or so they said.

But the effects of Uber, Lyft, and other transportation network companies ("TNCs," in work-speak) are proving more complicated

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#### A "digital commons" for the street

New digital tools have the potential to radically improve the efficiency, affordability, and inclusiveness of our transport system, but success depends on cooperation between the cities that build and manage our streets and the companies and transport services that use them.

As new transportation technologies emerge, cites need access to increasingly privatized data about public infrastructure. While private sector innovators are collecting detailed, street-level data in real time on everything from traffic speeds to transit use, cities don't have the access they need. Clearly a new partnership model is needed.

SharedStreets is building a "digital commons" for streets: a universal language for communicating information about city streets, and a launching pad for public-private collaboration and data exchange.

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# The looming question: who gets to be the platform?



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