

## **2012 Community Character Manual Update**

There will be a community meeting on Friday, January 13, 2012 in the Main Library Auditorium, 615 Church Street, to kick off the 2012 Community Character Manual update. There are two time slots available to attend: 11:30 – 1:00 PM and 4:00 – 5:30 PM. The material covered will be the same at both times. Planning staff are also available to meet with you or your organization at a time and location of your convenience.

The Community Character Manual (CCM), which is described in more detail and is posted at the links below, is one of the two policy manuals the Planning Department uses to develop and implement the fourteen community plans. The other manual, Land Use Policy Application, is being phased out as community plans are updated. The Planning Commission last approved amendments to the Community Character Manual during its January 13, 2011, regular meeting. The certified copies below were posted April 8, 2011.

The updated CCM will be used for the Madison, North Nashville, and West Nashville Community Plans, which were developed using the CCM. The draft Bellevue Community Plan update, scheduled for MPC public hearing on January 26, 2012 (see [http://www.nashville.gov/mpc/communityplans/subarea/subarea6\\_update.asp](http://www.nashville.gov/mpc/communityplans/subarea/subarea6_update.asp)), was developed assuming the changes identified to date would be made. The proposed CCM changes came out of the experiences this past year in conducting community plan updates and amendments and mainly pertain to improvements in cross-referencing and adding more clarity to the intent of the CCM.

The following additional information about the CCM update is available for review:

[List of Proposed Amendments Identified to Date](#)

[Draft Healthy Communities Design Principle](#)

[List of Alternative Zoning Districts](#)

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