



A weekly selection of issues and activities relevant to local planning in Nashville and Davidson County

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New life for dead malls

A Seattle [perspective](#) on new and creative uses for deserted malls; includes many links and some interesting comments, particularly the first one.

30,000 homes, 80,000 jobs

That's what city planners in [San Jose, California](#), want to put within walking distance of a new transit stop, as the city moves toward more compact growth.

"Compact" doesn't begin to describe some [condos in San Francisco](#) with asking prices of over \$1,000 per square foot.

Urbanisms old and new

Descriptions of several major [planning movements](#) over the last century - and how they evolved into our current trend toward more sustainable development.

"The only constructive approach" to NIMBYs

As well as BANANAs, NOPEs, and others - [advice](#) from Planetizen.com.

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