



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

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## The “Miracle Mets”

Not the baseball team from 1969 - this is a [Brookings Institute article](#) which says that metropolitan areas have even more influence on the national economy than you might expect.

## Carbon-neutral by 2010

That’s the plan in the Maldives, a tiny nation in the Indian Ocean where the effects of global warming are [particularly close](#).

## Eternal rest in the parking lot

[Some examples](#) of what can happen when sprawl swallows up the family land.

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