



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

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Striving for affordability

A developer in Oregon is building a walkable, [energy-efficient community](#) priced below most of the local market.

Possibly even worse than we expect

A [new study](#) by Lloyd's of London and the Royal Institute of International Affairs says we're not doing enough to prepare for a declining oil supply.

Curing car-dependency

Kansas City residents drive, on average, nearly 18,000 miles every year and spend a third of their income on transportation - a situation that the head of the Urban Land Institute, a Kansas City native, says is an [example](#) of why our cities have to change.

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The Metro Nashville-Davidson County Planning Department publishes this weekly digest to inform members of the Planning Commission, Metro Council, Board of Zoning Appeals, and other interested parties about planning and growth issues in other communities which could apply to our city and region, with particular emphasis on appropriate development, smart growth, multimodal transportation, and other information which will help us build a sustainable future and a more livable city.