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### **Mixed-use, walkable - and safer in an economic storm**

Homes in compact, mixed-use city neighborhoods tend to hold their value better in tough times, according to a [University of Pennsylvania study](#) funded by the Congress for New Urbanism.

### **The evolution of urban planning, in ten diagrams**

[A quick overview](#) of important places and concepts.

### **Talking about better transportation, right here**

[A summary](#) of the Nashville Area MPO's recent conference on Middle Tennessee transportation.

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