



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

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## Reinventing the suburbs: more reaction to high fuel prices

Some big-city suburbs have decided that just being a bedroom community's not enough any more - better transit, increased walkability, and a commitment to neighborhoods are just a few of the [signs of change](#).

Meanwhile, the cost of gas is not the only reason demand for mixed-use neighborhoods is growing in Charlotte, NC; it's also about the [quality of life](#).

## Bikes vs. cars vs. pedestrians

That's what happens when everyone's convinced [the road belongs to them](#) and nobody else. So... Boston's [making the streets bike-friendlier](#), and Calgary's telling rude riders to [behave](#).

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