



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

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## Why can't we build affordable housing?

Maybe we could - if we had more [affordable land](#).

## More bicycles on the road = fewer accidents

An [Australian study](#) says drivers change their behavior when they see greater numbers of bikes.

## The very first Wal-Mart... and others

The [original locations](#) of fifteen mega-chains, including Starbuck's, McDonalds, and Barnes & Noble.

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