



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

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## White roofs and greener houses, like it or not

The Berkeley, California city council is considering strict energy standards for private homes - but opponents say it'd mean [painfully expensive retrofitting](#) for existing structures.

## Rain garden resources

Learn about "sustainable stormwater" and what it can do for you and the environment on Metro Stormwater's [rain garden page](#).

## Not exactly Memphis

Last week, we mentioned a Smart Growth redevelopment plan in Memphis - we should have said "in the Memphis metro area," it's actually [in Germantown](#).

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