



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

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A Michigan State University study says that [connectivity](#) is more important than size to a city's economic health.

The death of the “McMansion”

Several economists and developers say there's a trend toward building [smaller homes](#) - and some large homes are being repurposed.

The story of bottled water

[A green perspective](#) on its environmental impact and the economics of manufactured demand.

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