



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

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Why city streets need trees

[Twenty-two reasons](#) from the Urban Forest Ecosystems Institute.

Use your own wood, your own stone...

and your own clay, and [build a castle](#) from mostly sustainable materials.

Probably worse than you'd expect

That's how a [study done by the German military](#) describes the possible effects of peak oil.

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The Metro Nashville-Davidson County Planning Department publishes this weekly digest to inform members of the Planning Commission, Metro Council, Board of Zoning Appeals, and other interested parties about planning and growth issues in other communities which could apply to our city and region, with particular emphasis on appropriate development, smart growth, multimodal transportation, and other information which will help us build a sustainable future and a more livable city.