

**DATE:** May 14, 2020  
**TO:** Land Use Advisory Committee  
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**SUBJECT:** Typology of Change in Suburban Communities

The Typology of Change in Suburban Communities Project was presented to the Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) at the November 21, 2019 meeting. As a reminder, this study examines how the demographic, built environment, and housing market characteristics of small areas in suburban communities changed in the seven-county metropolitan area. It classifies the type of changes these areas experienced between 2000 and 2017 to help inform local planners about the changing needs of various parts of their communities.

At the November meeting, staff presented a draft version of an interactive website that local planners can use to examine the changing dynamics of their communities in detail. The Committee expressed interest in seeing the finalized version of this website. The website includes an interactive visual tool, a page that includes the narratives that describe each type of change, and a resource library (a compendium of planning strategies) corresponding to each type of change.

At the May 21, 2020 meeting, staff will introduce the final version of the website. Staff will present the website in a “live walk-through” format, spending most of the time on the resource library and the structure of the website. Staff is specifically interested in getting the following input on the website:

1. What do you think of the structure and the functions of the three components of the tools?
2. How do you think you and your communities might use the website? Are there elements (of the three) that are more useful than others?
3. What, if anything, might be missing? Is there anything that you think should be changed?
4. What works well and what does not?