

# Retrofitting Suburban Spaces into Lively Places

Creating Neighborhoods and Districts We Love

January 24 | 6:30-9:00 P.M. | Free | Light refreshments served

First Evangelical Free Church, Community Hall  
(4220 Monterey Oaks Boulevard)

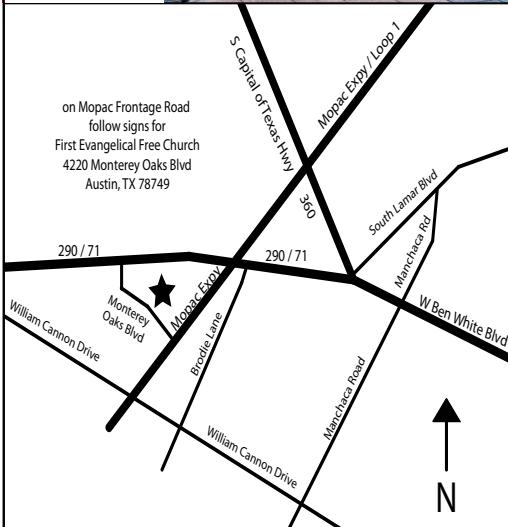
Following the lecture will be an Open House for the South Austin Combined Neighborhood Plan process. City staff will be available to discuss the plan and to receive comments.



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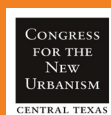
## Speaker: Ellen Dunham-Jones, AIA

Architect/Urban Designer, Author, Professor

- What are the causes of failing suburban properties?
- How can places be designed to promote community well-being?
- Why should we create places that prioritize people, not cars?
- What strategies are available to revitalize areas with dying strip and shopping malls?
- How can we retrofit neighborhoods in Austin to make them more vibrant, livable, and connected?

### About Ellen Dunham-Jones |

Ellen Dunham-Jones, AIA, is a world-renowned expert on urban and suburban design. As a professor of architecture and urban design at the Georgia Institute of Technology, an award-winning architect, and Chair of the board of the Congress for the New Urbanism, she helps communities to realize their potential for sustainable and healthy communities through design. She co-authored *Retrofitting Suburbia: Urban Design Solutions for Redesigning Suburbs* which received a 2009 PROSE award for scholarly and professional excellence from the American Association of Publishers.



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### Vision to Action: Priority Programs

- Invest in a compact and connected Austin
  - Create a Healthy Austin Program
- Revise Austin's development regulations and processes to promote a compact and connected city