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**City Planning Commissioner Amanda M. Burden Is The 2009 Laureate Of The ULI J.C. Nichols Prize For Visionaries In Urban Development**

October 14, 2009 - Commissioner Burden has been chosen as the 2009 laureate of the Urban Land Institute (ULI) J.C. Nichols Prize for Visionaries in Urban Development, which is the Institute's highest honor. The ULI J.C. Nichols Prize recognizes a person or a person representing an institution whose career demonstrates a commitment to the highest standards of responsible development. The \$100,000 prize honors the legacy of Kansas City, Missouri, developer J.C. Nichols, a founding Urban Land Institute (ULI) member.

Commissioner Burden announced that she will donate the J.C. Nichols prize money to ULI to create a yearly award honoring transformative and exciting public open spaces around the world.

For more information, please visit the [Urban Land Institute](http://www.urbanlandinstitute.org) website.

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**Department of City Planning**

The Department of City Planning (DCP) promotes strategic growth and development in the City, in part, by initiating comprehensive, consensus-based planning and zoning changes for individual neighborhoods and business districts. It supports the City Planning Commission and each year reviews more than 500 land use applications for actions such as zoning changes and disposition of City property. The Department assists both government agencies and the public by providing policy analysis and technical assistance relating to housing, transportation, community facilities, demography and public space.