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This ms argues that planning curriculum should address shrinking cities.

The conclusion, particularly the first three paragraphs, is very good and clear.

You say there is a “dearth of strategies and best practices” addressing planning for shrinking cities. So what do Gottlieb and Hollander et al (whom you cite) tell us re “alternative economic development”, “foundational theory” and “Planning shrinking cities”??

Several places you make assertions without references, e.g. bottom p. 2 [NB no pages numbers] top p. 3, e.g. “aging population and increasing dependency ratio...point of many research programs...”

Bottom p. 3, “Of the 94...” and bottom of p. 4 “the analysis of the 94...” repeats

Bottom p. 4 “...explicitly focused on redevelopment or revitalization.” In the US urban renewal began in 1949. Surely there were courses on urban renewal since the 1950s; maybe they were studios and it was hard for your research to detect them.

Although the BPJ editors do not want copy-editing, I will make the rest of my comments as annotations in the text, assuming I can do so...I will try to upload this review into your internet system

