

Update

Municipal, Planning and Property Tax

December 17, 2009

Toronto's Green Roof By-law Comes Into Effect January 31, 2010

On May 26, 2009, the City of Toronto enacted a Green Roof By-law (By-law No. 583-2009). This By-law will come into effect on January 31, 2010.

As noted in the Toronto Chief Planner's letter dated December 1, 2009, the Green Roof By-law applies to all new buildings or building additions with a gross floor area of 2,000m² or greater, excluding:

- those for which a complete building permit application has been submitted prior to January 31, 2010; and
- those for which a complete site plan application has been submitted prior to January 31, 2010.

In addition, the Green Roof By-law does not apply to:

- residential buildings or building additions of less than 6-storeys or 20 metres in height; or
- industrial buildings or building additions constructed prior to January 31, 2011.

Further information on the Green Roof By-law, including the By-law itself, can be found at: <http://www.toronto.ca/greenroofs/index.htm>.

Landowners with planned or active site plan or building permit applications, and who wish to take advantage of the transitional exclusions to the Green Roof By-law noted above, should sub-

mit or perfect their applications, and **seek written confirmation from City Staff that their application is "complete", prior to January 31, 2010.**

If you have any questions with respect to the incoming Green Roof By-law, please do not hesitate to contact one of the members of Goodmans' Administrative Law Group:

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