

Planning & Land Development

Provincial and municipal land use plans and rules affect the development and use of most property in Canada. When planning a project, it is imperative to be aware of your rights and obligations. Engaging lawyers who understand the legal and business intricacies of land use and development is a must.

WeirFoulds has one of the pre-eminent land use planning practices in Ontario. We have been consistently ranked as one of the Top 10 development and municipal law firms in the GTA by Novae Res Urbis. Along with our staff of professional planners, we serve our clients on every aspect of the planning process, from the genesis of the project, through to municipal approvals and agreements and, if necessary, hearings before applicable municipal bodies or courts.

Our lawyers act for a range of clients on land development and use matters, including construction firms, commercial and residential property developers, public sector organizations, private institutions and interest groups. We provide pre-development opinions and help clients raise project finance, obtain environmental and land use approvals, and undertake stakeholder consultations. We also negotiate cost sharing arrangements, easements and development agreements.

We take a multi-disciplinary approach to advising our clients on land development and use. We engage our commercial, corporate, construction, environmental and public law experts as necessary to ensure our clients receive excellent advice that is tailored to their needs.

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