

# WeirFoulds Ranked in *Novae Res Urbis* Top 10 Development Law Firms in GTHA of 2022

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WeirFoulds is very pleased to announce that it has been ranked third in *Novae Res Urbis*' (NRU) 24<sup>th</sup> annual ranking of the top 10 planning and development law firms operating in the GTHA. The firm was previously ranked first in 2015, 2019 and 2021.

According to NRU, WeirFoulds “*maintains its spot on the podium, having secured multiple positive Tribunal decisions throughout this year’s case-reporting window. In a contested hearing, the firm represented developer Transmetro, which sought planning amendments to permit development of a three-storey 14-unit luxury apartment building near Downtown Oakville. The Town of Oakville opposed the proposal on urban design and heritage grounds, but the Tribunal ruled in the developer’s favour.*”

Along with the firm’s multiple successful Tribunal hearings and representation of Transmetro, the article highlights:

- the representation of a proponent of a nine-storey residential building in Downtown Burlington that proposed to retain and incorporate an existing heritage building;
- the representation of the City of Vaughan in reaching a settlement for a 600-unit development, including a mid-rise and townhouse buildings and a 0.2-hectare park;
- and the representation of the City of Richmond Hill in the appeals of the Yonge-Bernard Key Development Area Secondary Plan, a complex, multi-phase hearing that led to comprehensive settlements with several landowner appellants.

Rankings reflect the relative frequency with which firms are mentioned in the Greater Toronto Area Edition of NRU for their involvement in some of the most challenging and interesting cases that came before the LPAT during this ranking cycle.

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[Read the coverage beginning on page 9 of the December 21, 2022 edition of \*Novae Res Urbis\* GTHA.](#)



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