City of Toronto: New Taxation Measures

Land Transfer Tax Implementation

On October 22, 2007, Toronto City Council approved a new land transfer tax which takes effect on February 1, 2008.

More details on implementation will be available at Executive Committee on October 29, 2007.

For all purchasers:

- one-half of one percent of the value of the consideration on sales up to and including \$55,000;
- one per cent of the value of the consideration on sales exceeding \$55,000 up to and including \$400,000;
- two per cent of the value of the consideration of land containing one and/or two single family residences exceeding \$400,000;
- one and a half per cent of the value of the consideration on commercial properties including multi-residential units exceeding \$400,000 up to \$40 million;
- one per cent of the value of the consideration which exceeds \$40 million.

Where the net revenue after transaction fees would result in revenue to the City of less than \$2.00, the purchase would be exempt from the Toronto Land Transfer Tax.

Purchasers with a Purchase and Sale agreement on or before December 31, 2007 will receive a full rebate of the Toronto Land Transfer tax regardless of the closing date.

Purchasers with a Purchase and Sale agreement signed after December 31, 2007 with a closing before February 1, 2008 will not be required to pay the Toronto Land Transfer tax.

Purchasers with a Purchase and Sale agreement signed after December 31, 2007 with a closing on or after February 1, 2008 will be required to pay the full Toronto Land Transfer tax.

For first time purchasers:

A rebate of up to \$3,725 will apply to first-time purchasers of both new and existing homes. This means a full rebate for first-time buyers of homes valued at \$400,000 or less. For example, a first-time purchaser of a home valued at \$600,000 would pay land transfer tax according to the scale shown above, and receive a rebate of \$3,725. A first time home buyer of a home valued at \$300,000 would get a full rebate on the land transfer tax.

For further information please refer to the staff report.

Provincial Land Transfer Tax

For further information on the Provincial Land Transfer Tax please refer to the $\underline{\text{Provincial}}$ $\underline{\text{website}}$.

Alcohol Tax on Store Sales

For information on the Alcohol Tax on Store Sales please refer to the <u>Executive</u> <u>Committee Agenda</u> for Monday October 29, 2007.