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The Development of Tower Renewal

The ideas presented in the **Mayor's Tower Renewal Opportunities Book** have been developed over the past several years by the **University of Toronto, E.R.A. Architects** and the **City of Toronto**, and largely based upon the architectural graduate thesis, and ongoing research of Graeme Stewart.

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In 2007, the **City of Toronto** began the process of adapting this set of ideas into policy, and has been working with the **University of Toronto** and **E.R.A. Architects** to design the project.

In addition, the **University of Toronto** is conducting a technical 'Best Practices Guidebook' for **Mayor's Tower Renewal**; focusing on building over-cladding. Led by Profs Ted Kesik and Ivan Saleff, it is to be released in the winter of 2008.

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More Information

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For additional information on **Mayor's Tower Renewal** and its implementation in Toronto, visit www.towerrenewal.ca, and for ongoing research both in Toronto and internationally, visit www.towerrenewal.com.

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