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**COMMON COUNCIL MEETING**

**PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE COMMITTEE**

**Cathy Fahey, Chair**

**DATE: Monday, March 8, 2021**

**TIME: 5:30 p.m.**

TOPIC(S) OF DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION:

**ORDINANCE 3.12.21**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 375 (UNIFIED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ALBANY CLARIFYING VEGETATIVE COVERAGE IN RELATION TO NON-APPLICABILITY TO GREEN ROOFS**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: YES

**Council Member O'Brien introduced the following:**

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*The City of Albany, in Common Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:*

**Section 1.** Sub-Paragraph (e) of paragraph 3 (General Landscaping Standards) of subdivision (F) (Landscaping, Screening and Buffering) of section 375-4 (Development Standards) is hereby amended to read:

(e) Vegetative Coverage

Any development or redevelopment site that triggers the requirements of this Section shall ensure that landscaping, screening, and/or buffering achieves at least the equivalent of 30 percent lot coverage by vegetated material to the greatest degree practicable. This shall not include green roofs.

**Section 2.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM THIS  
8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY, 2021**

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**Corporation Counsel**

**To:** Danielle Gillespie, City Clerk  
**From:** John-Raphael Pichardo, Esq., Research Counsel  
**Re:** Request for Common Council Legislation  
Supporting Memorandum  
**Date:** January 7, 2021

**SPONSOR** Council Member O'Brien

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**TITLE**

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**GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION**

Clarifying the USDO to state that Green Roofs shall not be considered in the development standards of Vegetative Coverage.

**FISCAL IMPACT(S)**

None.