Growth details get easy ride

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Three times became a charm for the Town Tuesday night at its most recent public unveiling of Milton's secondary plan.

The meeting held to gauge popular reaction to the plan turned the council chamber into a minor love-in when the small crowd was all but unanimous in its approval of the plan, said the Town's planning coordinator Bill Mann.

"The response was very positive. Everything went so smoothly," he said. "We're really pleased."

The meeting was the third public showing of the draft plan that outlines the direction of Milton's future growth.

The plan didn't always have such an easy ride.

Earlier meetings held at Bishop Reding High had drawn crowds of 150 or more. Those numbers are in stark contrast to the 12 who turned out at the Tuesday meeting, which was over in one hour.

"Everything had pretty much been dealt with at the first two meetings," explained Mr. Mann. "We'd resolved most of the issues already."

The sole naysayer at the meeting was a property owner whose land lies just outside the boundaries of the phase one growth area.

Phase one includes the land bounded to the west by Highway 25, south by a mid-line between Derry and Britannia roads, north by Highway 401 and east by a

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Rosary rolls out relief

Holy Rosary students Stephanie MacDonald (left) and Julie Dumencu present this cheque to Milton Red Cross' Sheilagh Borcsok. The money was raised from a school bake sale to aid in hurricane relief.



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