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## Residents win reprieve in planning process

JORDAN GREEN  
 Correspondent

Stouffville residents won a major victory at last Monday's secondary plan public meeting.

Originally council's time line to decide the fate of Stouffville's economic, residential and social makeup for the next 20 years was late June.

Lobbying from the

Whitchurch-Stouffville Residents Association, representing more than 200 residents, land and business owners, caused council to extend the planning process to the fall.

"We are asking to slow the process, so that the residents are made more aware of the plan," said Jeanne Major of the residents association.

Lack of public input was Major's primary concern, as there weren't many copies of the

plan made available at the library, and those that were sold, at a cost of \$10 each, went very quickly.

"In the (plan) it says 'extensive public consultation.' I have to say a lot of us that were very interested since October, it wasn't (with) the public," said Major. "We really don't feel we had time to discuss it."

The planning consultant hired by the town to create the \$250,000 plan disagrees.

The community vision was

developed based on significant input from the public in the fall of 1996," said Elizabeth Howson of Macaulay Shiomu Howson, the planning company contracted to design the plan.

During her address to council and about 45 people at the meet-

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ing, Major listed key sections of the plan which hadn't been discussed in previous meetings.

"The topics not covered are:

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## Stouffville cross-section prepares to mark ballot

### ELECTION '97

JOAN RANSBERRY  
 Staff Reporter

While Canadians go to the polls in less than four days, some local voters continue to play wait and see, some know exactly how they're marking the ballot and a few know, but won't tell.

Last week, Oak Ridges voters Glenn and Shelly Hargraves of Stouffville, put the political parties

on a short list. Today, Shelly, 30, is still wavering between Liberal Bryon Wilfert and Progressive Conservative John Andersen.

"I like the PCs, except I worry that what is being done at the provincial level by (Ontario premier) Mike Harris, might be done in Ottawa. They're all PCs. This makes me lean towards the Liberals." Also, Shelly is asking: Should

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✱ A decision on the controversial plan to build a \$3.4 million town hall/library complex will be made on June 3, beginning at 7 p.m.

On Tuesday, Whitchurch-Stouffville Council, dealing with three public meetings, ran out of time and was unable to complete the agenda, said town clerk Michele Kennedy.

The council meeting will resume next Tuesday at the Christian Blind Mission on Stouffville Road. Also on the agenda will be the issue of the Vandorf and Preston Lake Secondary Plan.

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JUGGLING ACT: Lucy Arruda is ready to perform all the jobs a busy mom and soccer coach usually does, including carrying the soccer balls, to the opening of the Stouffville Soccer Club opening activities on Monday at the Novopharm fields.  
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