

## Off Broadway

Kimiko Carter of York Durham Academy for Performing Arts belts out her favourite show tune during the musical theatre session of the Music Alive program, last week at Christ Church Anglican in Stouffville.



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# Lebovic upset with rejection

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### Improvement Area.

With the go-ahead for the Geranium Corporation, site clearing will probably begin this summer. No financial institutions are allowed on the site, but that could change in future, town planner Andrew McNeely said. That's so banks currently on Main Street don't move to the new area, leaving another vacancy on Main Street.

"This is truly a regional retail centre," Mr. McNeely said. "It will bring dollars from northeast Markham primarily into the town of Stouffville."

Mayor Sue Sherban noted that the mall will have to abide by guidelines to "have a made-in-Stouffville look" to reflect the town's motto of Country Close to the City.

The sooner the project starts, the sooner Hoover Park

Drive is completed, creating a link with the westerly approach to town, Councillor Phil Bannon said. Traffic will then be diverted from Stouffville's Main Street and the downtown area can then be better developed.

### 1,900 NEW JOBS

The commercial portion of the Hwy. 48 development is anticipated to create 900 jobs, while the business park will generate another 1,000.

"This development is only going to enhance and provide the opportunity to open up industrial and manufacturing lands," Mrs. Sherban said.

Developer Joe Lebovic didn't like having his plan, for 330,000 square feet of retail and commercial space and homes, rejected. The town wanted the plan reduced to 70,000 square feet, turning it into a neighbourhood plaza.

Mr. Lebovic reminded

councillors of the monetary contributions he has made for sewage capacity for Stouffville.

"I spent money after being led to believe I would get this shopping centre," he told councillors. "What is going to happen to my 30 acres?"

He didn't want to fight the town, he said, "because I have to deal with you for the next 10 years".

Instead he requested council change the zoning to allow residential uses on the 15 acres originally proposed for the retail development. He also asked the town to free up more than 250 units of water allowance for the site, which is north of 19th Avenue.

The residential development of more than 600 homes will be in three phases, Mr. McNeely said.

Town staff will be meeting with Mr. Lebovic shortly.

The Regional Municipality of York

## EXPROPRIATIONS ACT

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO EXPROPRIATE LAND

IN THE MATTER OF an application by The Regional Municipality of York for approval to expropriate lands described in Schedule "A", hereto, in the Town of Markham in The Regional Municipality of York, geographically in the Township of Markham in the County of York, for the purposes of:

- the widening and reconstruction of Warden Avenue (YR 65) from Steeles Avenue to 16th Avenue (YR 73), to a basic width up to 36.0 metres with additional widenings at cuts, fills, water course crossings and intersections;
- to provide a basic seven lane road on Warden Avenue (YR 65) between Steeles Avenue and Apple Creek Boulevard with left-turn and right-turn lanes at intersections;
- the adjustments to existing traffic control signals and associated illumination to accommodate the proposed revisions to the road layout at the intersections; and
- the reconstruction and widening of the bridges over the CN tracks, north of 14th Avenue (YR 71), and the Rouge River, north of Highway 407, to provide for six traffic lanes over these structures.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the lands described in Schedule "A", hereto. Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given who desires an inquiry into whether the taking of such land is fair, sound and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of the expropriating authority shall so notify the approving authority in writing,

- in the case of a registered owner, served personally or by registered mail within thirty days after the registered owner is served with the notice, or, when the registered owner is served by publication, within thirty days after the first publication of the notice;
- in the case of an owner who is not a registered owner, within thirty days after the first publication of the notice.

The approving authority is:  
The Council of The Regional Municipality of York  
17250 Yonge Street  
Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1

The Regional Municipality of York  
Denis Kelly  
Regional Clerk  
17250 Yonge Street  
Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1

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### SCHEDULE "A"

An estate in fee simple in the lands described as follows:

Lands in the Town of Markham in The Regional Municipality of York, geographically in the Township of Markham in the County of York, being composed of those lands designated as Parts on a Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York Region more particularly described as follows:

Part of Lot(s)	Concession	Part(s)	Plan
East 1/2 of 10	4	2	65R-27781
10	4	3	65R-27781
9 and 10	4	4 and 5	65R-27781



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