Solar project plans heating up for hockey arena

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A 250-KW solar project is being planned for the Stouffville Clippers Sports Complex.

The municipality has entered into a non-binding memorandum of interest with the Whitchurch-Stouffville Community Power Association for one year.

"It really takes leadership from local gov-

ernment to get the community involved," said Harry French, president of the organization.

SURPLUS MONEY

Any surplus money from the project will be returned to the community and community investors, according to the group.

The Whitchurch-Stouffville Community Power Association is an unincorporated not-for-profit association created to lead the community in supporting and building community-owned sustainable energy projects within the municipality.

If the solar installation goes ahead, it will not cost the town anything, according to the organization, citing it will be responsible for all related costs and administrative work.

In an effort to boost its membership, the Whitchurch-Stouffville Community Power

Association will be attending the Strawberry Festival next weekend.

"One of our main visions is to be involved in the Stouffville community as much as possible in order to become a model community for sustainable energy living," according to Audrey O'Handley, a founding member of the organization.

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