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## Councillor won't back down

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Maddie Di Muccio won't be silenced.

Despite a resolution put forth by Newmarket Regional Councillor John Taylor and passed by council requesting the Ward 6 councillor alter her conduct, Ms Di Muccio maintains she will not change.

"I won't be a shrinking violet," she said. "I stay steadfast that I have done nothing wrong."

She feels the resolution, supported by her colleagues, restricts her from doing her job as an elected official and is an attempt to silence her opposing opinion.

Mr. Taylor said disagreement isn't the issue, but rather the manner in which Ms Di Muccio expresses those differences.

"I welcome anyone's opinion and, please, disagree with me at any time," he said. "But please find a way to do it respectfully."

The resolution requests she treat staff members with respect, refrain from posting inaccurate information online and adhere to the town's code of conduct as well as the municipal conflict of interest guidelines in the Municipal Act.

The move is one final attempt to save taxpayers from an investigation that could cost \$10,000 to \$50,000, depending on the course of action taken from the six options outlined in the **Weir Foulds Report**, supplied by solicitor **George Rust-D'Eye**, Mr. Taylor said.

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