

City of London - Application for Appointment to City of London Community Advisory Committees

Application

Committee you are interested in serving on: **Integrated Transportation Community Advisory Committee**

Contact Information

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Experience and Qualifications

If you have experience on a London Advisory Committee, please provide dates and details. (max. 250 characters): **N/A**

I have not participated in a London Advisory Committee in the past.

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters):

As a lifelong resident of London, I hope to contribute my personal experience of where I think the City of London has done well in promoting various forms of transit, and areas where I believe the City could improve. I have been a regular recreational cyclist in the City for many years and would love to be a part of promoting ways in which active transportation can be leveraged to improve daily commutes as well as leisure activities. I am interested in expanding my understanding of the 'Civic Process' and I am interested in exploring ways in which I may be able to more actively participate in my community.

How will you support the work of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters):

As this would be my first time participating in a Community Advisory Committee, my first goal would be to familiarize myself with the relevant history of activities that the Committee has carried out and to gain an understanding of the functionality of the group. Then I would work with the Committee to look for areas where my skill set may be able to assist the group. I have significant experience in soliciting feedback from project partners, reviewing concept alternatives, performing cost-benefit analysis, and critically reviewing plans and studies on a variety of topics. I am able to consolidate many different project considerations for the purpose of making recommendations to maximize project objectives, while working within project constraints.

We value the contributions of Londoners with diverse experiences and welcome applications from individuals who share our commitment. Please describe how your work, community or lived experience will enhance these efforts through Community Advisory Committee work. (max. 3000 characters):

I have been a lifelong resident of London and have spent over 30 years interacting with the City's various forms of transportation. This has included a significant amount of recreational cycling, walking, use of hiking trails, busing both on school bus and LTC, and of course driving. I have had a long term fascination with transportation in its many modes and continue to develop my understanding of various forms of transportation and their pros/cons. I have done this professionally as a structural engineer who works on public infrastructure projects and as an enthusiast who consumes digital content such as YouTube's 'Not Just Bikes', 'RM Transit', 'Practical Engineering' and 'B1M' who are all

content creators focusing on public infrastructure, public transit, and built environment in general.

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Community Advisory Committee Member. (max. 250 characters):

I am a licensed structural engineer who works with a variety of municipal clients, primarily on bridge and culvert rehabilitation/replacement projects. This includes the design of new pedestrian bridges and multi-use trails. I have a detailed understanding of how municipal infrastructure projects are carried out and have completed these projects through all project phases such as: a) conceptual design; b) design alternative selection; c) environmental approvals; d) detailed design; e) public consultation, and f) construction. I also have a working understanding of AODA (accessibility) requirements for the built environment. I would look to leverage my existing experience to the benefit of the Advisory Committee with the understanding that I would not be acting in my capacity as a professional engineer while participating in the Advisory Committee.

Attach resume or other document here, if needed:

Attach more files here, if needed:

Confirmations

I declare the following: **I am at least 18 years old.; I am not a City employee or Council member.; I understand that the commitment may be up to 4 hours per month to attend meetings and prepare.; I understand that my application and any attachments will be included on a public agenda that is published on the City website.**

To help inform our outreach activities, please tell us how you heard about this opportunity: (optional): **Social media**

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

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