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):

No previous experience.

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

I wish to share the knowledge I have gathered from my personal interest in transportation. My interest in municipal politics has grown over the past few years, and this seems like a great next step in learning more while also contributing.

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

I enjoy researching topics regarding transportation. Should the need arise, I would be happy to research and report on related topics.

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):

Professionally, I am a software developer. Software development is almost entirely problem solving. Often times, it involves taking an existing system and working to improve it while taking into account any current limitations. Learning new tools and techniques is a big part of the work, so I'm familiar with having to learn new frameworks. I have lived in London both with and without a car. In my experience, the difference is night and day. I have lived in both high and medium-density areas with young children, and can bring that perspective to the discussion.

Through research (due to personal interest as well as past election campaign research) I've learned the economic importance of successful mobility, specifically how it helps the lowest socio-economic group achieve better outcomes.

Members of my family have, at times, attempted to cycle to get around the city, but were met with too many near misses and, frankly, abuse from drivers to feel comfortable cycling. I feel I can understand and help highlight the challenges that need to be overcome to help improve transportation in the city.

Over the past 9 years, I have relied on both public transit and personal transportation to get around the city. I feel I can readily relate to people in both camps.

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 have participated in a few Public Participation Meetings, as well as attended a town hall in my ward. During the last provincial election, I was a campaign manager and CFO for a candidate in London.

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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