

City of London - Application for Appointment to a City of London Board or Commission

Application

Please choose the Board or Commission you are interested in serving on: **LMCH**

Contact Information

Name: **Kay Grant**

City: **London**

Province: **ON**

Postal Code: **N5X1S8**

Experience and Qualifications

If you have experience on a London Board or Commission, please provide dates and details. (max. 3000 characters):

I have no prior experience on a London Board or Commission.

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Board or Commission? (max. 3000 characters):

I am a registered professional planner and community development professional with a breadth of experience in rural and urban landscapes, long-range, policy and current community planning within a local and provincial government context. As a planner, I have long experience in the housing space from a policy perspective, including inter-provincial staff affordable housing working group and the development of affordable housing community improvement policies and plan, among others.

How will you support the work of a Board or Commission? (max. 3000 characters):

I will bring a thoughtful and deliberative approach to the conversation table. I can also support the work of the Board through my extensive research and policy development experience. Further, by attending meetings regularly, actively participating in the discussions or other work as necessary, always taking care to be prepared before each meeting.

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Board or Commission Member. (max. 3000 characters):

Nothing further to add here.

Please tell us about your interest in being a part of the London Middlesex Community Housing board. Why are you interested in this particular opportunity? What do you hope to contribute, and how would you support the work of the London Middlesex Community Housing board?(max. 3000 characters):

As a New Canadian and a visible minority, my family and I have experienced homelessness and precarious housing for many years. These lived experiences along with my training and professional experiences have provided me with peculiar insight that I believe will be useful to the deliberations of the Board.

Please tell us about your educational background, professional credentials, or any other training which is relevant to this position. (max. 3000 characters):

Please see my resume, attached.

Please describe any relevant work and/or lived experience you have. (max. 3000 characters):

Nothing further to add here.

Tell us about your involvement in any public or private sector boards, community involvement, or other experiences that are relevant to this position. Please describe the roles you played and the period of time you were involved.(max. 3000 characters):

I have served my local community through my church in the capacity of Community Services Director. This position sits on the Church Board and has primary responsibility for managing the community outreach activities of the local church. The position also has responsibility for coordinating emergency management activities on the church's behalf. One of the highlight of the year was a Thanksgiving Dinner held each year for the homeless population. Attendance each year was typically in the 500 person range. In this role, I coordinated the entire event, commencing with planning for and organizing the event to clean up.

I served in that capacity for approximately three (3) years.

If necessary, please provide any additional relevant information that is not captured in your previous answers.(max. 3000 characters):

No additional information.

Attach resume or other document here, if needed: **LMCH Board of Directors Application _ Kay Grant.pdf**

Attach more files here, if needed:

Confirmations

I declare the following: **I am a resident of London. ; I am at least 18 years old.; I am not a City employee or Council member.; 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): **Printed newspaper advertisement**

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

Submitted on: **1/12/2024 12:14:25 AM**

Kay Theresa Grant, MCIP, RPP

London, ON, N5X 1S8

EDUCATION

- 2020-2024 PhD Student, Regional Planning and Economic Development, Laurentian University, Sudbury, Ontario
- 2013 Master of Arts, Political Science (Public Policy), Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario
- 2007 Master of Business Administration, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, USA
- 1995 Bachelor of Science in Urban Planning and Environmental Resource Management, University of Technology, Kingston, Jamaica

EMPLOYMENT PROFILE

- 2023 – present Snr. Planner, City of Sarnia
- 2022 – 2023 Snr. Planner, Township of North Dumfries
- 2016 – 2022 Planner, Ministry of Municipal Affairs
- 2008 – 2013 Development Planner, Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake
- 2001 – 2007 Lands Officer, Alumina Partners of Jamaica / UC RUSAL Limited
- 2000 – 2001 Consultant, Ministry of Local Government, Community and Sports
- 1998 – 2000 Director of Planning, Hanover and Manchester Parish Councils
- 1995 – 1998 Project Officer, Urban Development Corporation

EXPERIENCE

I have more than 15 years of provincial and municipal planning experience preparing reports and recommendations for a broad range of urban and rural land uses of varying complexity, including high density residential developments, mixed use developments, and commercial, industrial, retail, service and general agricultural developments. My experience also includes undertaking background research, preparing recommendations and planning justification reports, consulting with agencies, community members, and other stakeholders and making recommendations to elected official and the general public.

As well, I have provided planning advice and responded to inquiries from the public, development industry, various levels of government, media, staff, applicants and elected officials. In addition, I have been qualified to give expert testimony at the Ontario Land Tribunal on matters relating to Committee of Adjustment matters and official plan and zoning by-law amendment applications.

Further, in addition to providing planning services and advice to the community and council, I also supervise planning staff and acts for the manager in his absence.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

I am a full member of the Ontario Professional Planners Institute and the Canadian Institute of Planners. While working at the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, I was a member of the

Technical Review Committee Certified Site Program and the Asset Management, Affordable Housing and the Indigenous Reconciliation Relations Working Groups.