Committee: London & Middlesex Housing Corporation

Organization/Sector represented: Architecture and Placemaking

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Occupation: Architectural Designer

Work experience: 9 years experience in all phases of architectural design. A proven background in managing institutional, residential, commercial, healthcare, educational, hospitality, and airport projects with a commitment to environmental sustainability. Education: Hold a Bachelor of Architecture degree (2005). Further, as part of my continuing interest to broaden my perspective on current issues and future trends, I successfully completed a professional development program at Ryerson University (2013) comprising of 'Construction Materials and Methods' and 'Fire Protection, Occupant Safety and Accessibility Design'.

Skills: I am adept at programming and assessing needs at project start-up, developing design, coordinating and documenting construction, and administering contracts. In addition, I have gained a wealth of experience working with multidisciplinary teams to deliver a broad range of project types. Summarily, I will contribute architectural knowledge, along with research and solution finding expertise.

Interest reason: I love the City of London. I believe that the vitality of the community is a result of many residents lending their support through channels that suit them best. I would like to be part of that community. I chose this body in particular as I can relate to it through my professional background. Whether in construction or operations and maintenance.

Contributions: A unique perspective to your various approaches and methodologies. Past contributions: I contributed architectural services to a project here in London, ON that consisted of the conversion of an existing school to 22 affordable housing units. Further, I have been actively involved in the local community here in London, ON; volunteering professional and non-professional skills together with others in organising Canada Day celebrations and fundraising for the past two years.

Interpersonal: The nature of my work for the past 9 years demands that I engage with multidisciplinary professionals to achieve a common goal. Further, I have strong collaborative skills that can be backed with the following lead roles in the past year: 1) Canada Day Festival, London, ON – Organized outdoor festival for 150, including a buffet, barbecue, and fun activities. Also designed ticket and poster. 2) Fundraising Dinner, Forest City Destiny Church, London, ON – Coordinated event for about 120 guests, including a silent auction. Also designed ticket and poster.

Interview interest: Yes