

Committee: **City's Trees and Forests Advisory Committee**

Organization/Sector represented:

Name: **Sonja Teichertt**

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Occupation: **Environmental Biologist**

Work experience: **I have extensive project management experience acquired coordinating a citizen science project, completing my PhD and during my recent postdoc which was highly collaborative study of the the future of the Boreal Forest with contributors from across Canada. Most recently have been spending a lot of time volunteering in the nonprofit sector with ReForest London, and Carolinian Canada Coalition, Pillar NonProfit Network and am a member of the London Environmental Steering Committee.**

Education: **I completed my BSc honours in Zoology at Western and after that studied the ecology of a forest beetle for my MSc Biology at Acadia University. I completed my PhD (studied the collaborations between Conservation Authorities and citizen science groups collecting freshwater monitoring data) in Apr 2016. Since then I completed a postdoc (see work experience).**

Skills: **I've successfully worn a number of hats; event planner, project manager, researcher, client service, communications. I bring a variety a skills associated with these 'hats' as well as specialized knowledge of ecological systems, forest ecology and biodiversity.**

Interest reason: **I believe a healthy community is a treed community. There are so many benefits to planting trees and I would like my community to prosper with the support of these benefits**

Contributions: **I have a lot experience with committee work, communicate well, care about my community and the environment.**

Past contributions: **I'm currently on the London Environmental steering committee and also their Evaluation and CoLab subcommittees. I have created and reviewed surveys and reviewed other committee materials.**

Interpersonal: **I have worked on a number of committees and in particular during my PhD at Western sat on all of the environmental committees from the student level up to upper level administration. I enjoy committee work and pride myself in being a good listener, respectful of other peoples views and contributions and personally very engaged in the discussions at hand.**

Interview interest: **Yes**