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

Application

Committee you are interested in serving on: Accessibility Community Advisory Committee

If applying for the Accessibility Community Advisory Committee, please select: **Yes, I am an applicant with a disability.**

If applying for the Ecological Community Advisory Committee, a professional designation, education or experience in related fields is a requirement based on the technical nature of the committee work. Please indicate your area(s) of expertise:

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

Contact Information

Name: Umair Iqbal

City: London

Province: **ON**

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Experience and Qualifications

If you have experience on a London Advisory Committee, please provide dates and details. (max. 250 characters): I do not have prior experience on a London Advisory Committee.

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters: As a person with lived-world experience associated with a disability, I hope to offer first-hand knowledge of a multitude of barriers that restrict accessibility for people with disabilities across various social avenues in the City of London. In addition, I hope to learn from other members about their journeys, observations, and insights regarding their disability experience in terms of its various dimensions and nuances given that there exist both visible and invisible disabilities.

How will you support the work of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters): Primary means through which I aim to support the work of a Community Advisory Committee include critical analysis of municipal policy documents and development of proposals for initiatives aimed at education and awareness concerning the existence of city-wide disability barriers. In addition, I aim to collaborate with the committee members in planning and providing strategic advice to the City of London regarding implementation of city-wide policies in ways that address the removal of barriers for persons with both visible and invisible disabilities.

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 volunteer at the Alzheimer Society Southwest Partners (ASSP) in London where I work closely with clients and their care-partners in providing them cognitive and recreational support. My role at the ASSP continues to equip me with acute awareness surrounding the unique challenges encountered by this specific population with respect to physical and attitudinal barriers in various avenues across the city. Another relevant role of mine pertains to my current pursuit of a graduate degree at the Western University where I am specializing in a social justice program centered on policy and leadership studies. My critical study of the promises and impact of public policy for underrepresented populations, such as those with disabilities, continues to instill me with a nuanced understanding of policy-versus-practice tensions that I hope to explore and address in the course of my work as a committee member.

Attach resume or other document here, if needed: **Umair Iqbal - Advanced Leadership Certificate.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 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): **Professional or community organization**

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

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