

# 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: **No, I am not 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: **Jay Ménard**

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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 have served on the accessibility advisory committee for almost six years now (anniversary is in April); the last two years of which I have been chair. I am also currently serving on the CDIS leadership table as the accessibility representative (one year, four months), and a member of the Province of Ontario's Employer's partnership table on accessible employment (four years, four months). I appreciate that I have exceeded my time on the committee, but I feel that as we approach a critical 2025 deadline for AODA compliance, my history and leadership would be valuable.**

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters): **I hope to bring consistency and effectiveness to the committee. As it stands now, I don't know if there is anyone on the committee ready to take the role. I don't say that with ego, but rather as a reflection of the unique PR, content, and political requirements of the role. We are entering a critical time and I believe the committee would benefit from consistency and historical knowledge to ensure it fulfils its AODA mandate.**

How will you support the work of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters): **First and foremost, consistency and representation. Secondly, as liaison to CDIS, I hope to better integrate the accessibility efforts. Finally, I hope to facilitate a transition to a new chair and afford them the greatest opportunity to succeed, based upon a foundation of knowledge and success. Regardless of whether or not I'm named chair, I believe my involvement can help smooth the transition to a new group and keep us aligned on our goals.**

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've been involved in accessibility issues for almost a decade. My work led to Digital Echidna receiving the David Onley Award for leadership in accessibility -- the highest provincial honour. I am also a personal recipient of the 10th anniversary champions award. I am an eight-year member of the Business Cares food drive board, seven-year chair of the Gazette Publishing Committee (at Western), and have held various other roles. My day job as Director of User Experience and Research also supports my desire to be inclusive in gathering feedback and representing not my personal beliefs, but supporting the will of the community.**

Attach resume or other document here, if needed:

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): **Contact from the City Clerk's Office**

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

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