

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

Application

Committee you are interested in serving on: **Community Advisory Committee on Planning**

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:

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Contact Information

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Experience and Qualifications

If you have experience on a London Advisory Committee, please provide dates and details. (max. 250 characters): **During the approx. 2016-2018 time period, I served as Ward 13 Representative and later, the Chair, of London's Town and Gown Advisory Committee. In that role, I was involved in various advisory projects, including formulating recommendations to Council regarding important planning matters. More specifically, I worked with committee members and other stakeholders on our recommendations regarding Secondary-Dwelling Unit permissions in Near-Campus Neighbourhoods, as well as the committee's recommendations regarding revisions to the borders of the Near-Campus policies in London's Official Plan. My work as Chair of T&G provided valuable experience in assessing the needs and interests of different stakeholders when it comes to planning matters (including post-secondary instructions, long-term residents, students, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and heritage advocates). With regrets, I had to withdraw from the Committee because my family relocated out of Ward 13 in 2018.**

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters): **I did not grow up in London. I arrived here for school, fell in love with the city, and decided to stay and raise a family here. That experience comes with a unique perspective. I have lived in designated Heritage Homes, including in Woodfield - I see London's Heritage Districts and Buildings as a treasure and a resource for the city, integral to maintaining strong communities with real character. That said, I recognize that London must also be a city that grows and attracts new development, new people, and new businesses. It also cannot be ignored that London is facing a housing crisis that requires real solutions, including those centered on land-use planning. London's Planning and Heritage Policies, in my view, must strike a proper balance between these goals. It is a similar balance I was faced with striking at Town & Gown. I believe my skills and experience are perfectly suited to bringing that important, balanced, perspective to CAPC.**

How will you support the work of a Community Advisory Committee? (max. 250 characters): **To put it simply, I am a hard worker and a team player. I suspect my then-colleagues on T&G would attest to this (I had the pleasure of working with Phil Squire, Tanya Park, Glen Matthews, Greg Barrett and others on T&G). I was encouraged and**

supported by the committee in taking on the role of Chair, not long after I joined the committee as a member.

I do not shy away from taking on tasks and responsibilities. I never miss a meeting and am always punctual.

In my experience, committees like this rely foremost on members *reading the agenda, showing up, and doing the work* - that is exactly how I propose to support the CAPC.

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Community Advisory Committee Member. (max. 250 characters): **Beyond Town & Gown, I remain active and involved in the community. I live with my wife and young son in Orchard Park, and am an active member of our community association.**

I am a practicing lawyer here in London. While my "day job" does not directly touch on the Planning or Heritage Act, I have a legal education that included specific training on planning law (taught to me by the immensely knowledgeable City of London Solicitor, Jennifer Smout).

My legal experience has given me an intimate familiarity with the interaction between differing levels of government and lawmaking: an ever important concept for planning and heritage.

I also have personal experience with heritage matters. I have owned and maintained heritage properties in Old South and Woodfield: I have direct familiarity with heritage maintenance, renovations, and alteration permits. Terms like "scalloped wooden cladding" and "louvered wooden shutters" will not be lost on me - I have lived them!

Attach resume or other document here, if needed:

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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.**

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