

# City of London - Application for Appointment to a City of London Board or Commission

## Application

Please choose the Board or Commission you are interested in serving on: **London Police Services Board**

## Contact Information

Name: **Patrick Davis**

City: **London**

Province: **ON**

Postal Code: **N5Y 3X2**

## Experience and Qualifications

If you have experience on a London Board or Commission, please provide dates and details. (max. 3000 characters):

**I have no experience on any London Board, but a wealth of community experience prior to moving to London. In some respects this is an advantage. I would come to this appointment with a clean slate, no prejudices and no preconceived notions**

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Board or Commission? (max. 3000 characters):

**Globally policing is experiencing increasing pressure from many corners, from citizen videos, special interest groups, the media and municipal council. At the same time gang activity, the proliferation of illicit drugs, the deinstitutionalizing of the mentally ill and jail overcrowding are making the job of police officer more dangerous and less attractive as a vocation. As a member of a small municipal council, I was appointed as the municipal representative on that Police Services Board where I developed a keen appreciation for the role of the Chief of Police, operational staff, administrative staff and communications department. A smooth functioning police service builds on the strengths of those individual parts towards the development of a cohesive team. The role of the Police Services Board is to support the police service, consistent with board policies, identifying and addressing gaps in close cooperation with the Chief of Police and ensuring the board limits its role to that as defined in the Police Services Act. And as a Board Member, I recognize the most knowledgeable resource the Board has on policing is the Chief of Police. Finally I believe my wealth of experience and skills in public policy, problem and conflict resolution, government relations, public finance and budgets, public relations will be an asset to the Chief and my fellow Board Members I believe**

How will you support the work of a Board or Commission? (max. 3000 characters):

**Support is the key word, particularly in policing. That means supporting the Chief and my fellow board members. The most important ways for me to do that is to be respectful of everyone's time, to always be prepared, reading all materials prior to meetings, seeking clarifications while respecting staff boundaries and limitations, being a careful listener, acting as a consensus builder when disagreements arise and doing my part to ensure discussions stay on topic. I also start with a fairly good understanding of the Police Act, contract negotiation and personnel. And as a disabled person I bring unique experiences which I believe will assist the Chief and the board carrying out our responsibilities.**

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Board or Commission Member. (max. 3000 characters):

**Chief of Staff to Bev Shipley, Member of Parliament 2006-2018  
Westover Treatment Centre Director of Fund Development 2002-2004**

**Executive Assistant to Marcel Beaubien, Provincial Member of Parliament**  
**Editor/Reporter Sydenham Spotlight Newspapers**  
**Reporter Wallaceburg Courier Press**  
**General Manager, Wallaceburg & District Chamber of Commerce**  
**Graduate London Baptist Bible College & Seminary**  
**Wallaceburg Municipal Council**  
**Chair Finance Committee**  
**Board Member Wallaceburg Police Services Board**  
**Board Member Wallaceburg Business Improvement Association**  
**Founder Wallaceburg Senior Sports Association**  
**Founder Wallaceburg Warriors Senior Baseball Club & Provincial Champion**  
**Minor baseball and hockey coach**  
**Board Member Wallaceburg Victim Offender Reconciliation Program**  
**Church Elder and Deacon**  
**Rotary President 2004**  
**Kinsmen Club member**

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 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): **Social media**

If you selected 'Other', please specify:

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