

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 Public Library Board**

Contact Information

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Experience and Qualifications

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

Vice Chair and Director — Downtown London Business Association (2020 — current)
• member of the Executive, Finance, Governance and Advocacy committees; Strategic Plan task force member
Secretary / Director — MainStreet London (2020 — current)
• member of the MSL Governance / re-purpose task force
Trustee -- London Public Library board. (2022 - current - mid-term replacement for Cllr Hamou)
• member of the ad hoc (and now permanent) CEO Evaluation Committee

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

LPL is in a similar position as DTL - new strategic plans in hand, with similar missions, albeit with different yet complementary means to achieve -- hosting inspirational places, fostering possibility, delivering exceptional experiences, and supporting engagement of the community.

I would look to bring my private sector telecom / regulatory law / management consulting experience as well as my experience with the DTL boards to supporting the achievement of the LPL strategic plan, whilst being an effective steward of public resource, and operating under the guidance of applicable Acts.

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

The internet has greatly changed how library systems are perceived and/or are valued by the broader public. I think we need to examine the circulating library's role in an expanded social

perspective as a public civic space -- an inclusive third place.

London's library system has been a place where informational and social infrastructures intersect within a physical infrastructure that supports that programme. Looking to a post-COVID future, where physically able to gather again, this becomes even more relevant.

I believe that the public library is an important institution for Londoners, because it levels access to knowledge, and defines that third place inclusive of socio-economic and/or cultural classes.

I would be interested in continuing to serve as a trustee because I believe the public library strengthens the social equity of our community, and I would do so with a responsible ratepayer return focus.

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

Board member for the Residenza Affordable Housing (formerly Italian Seniors' Project), who as part of the The Vision SoHo Alliance, will be developing mixed-use housing that will help increase the supply of affordable housing in our community.

Board member for YOU - Youth Opportunities Unlimited.

LPL asset is a complementary third-place and programming / community connector and catalyst space (thinking Neighbourhood and Community-wide service programming like the successful Seniors' Satellite programmes).

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): **Other**

If you selected 'Other', please specify: **extant board member**

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