

Schedule "A"



MUNICIPALITY OF
West Elgin

Council Vacancy Application Form

Please complete this application form and submit in person (no fax or email) with identification *no later than Thursday, October 24, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.*

Terri Towstiuc, Clerk
Municipality of West Elgin
22413 Hoskins Line
Rodney ON N0L 2C0

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| Council Vacancy Application Form | |
| Name: | Filipe Sousa |
| Qualifying Address: | 169 Elm Street West Lorne, Ontario N0L 2P0 |
| Email Address: | info@darkhorsedesigns.ca |
| Telephone Number: | 519-871-8433 |

| Eligibility Requirements | Yes | No |
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| Canadian Citizen | ✓ | |
| Minimum of 18 years of Age | ✓ | |
| Eligible elector in the Municipality of West Elgin (owner, tenant, spouse of such owner or tenant) | ✓ | |
| Not prohibited from voting (as per <i>Municipal Elections Act</i>) or otherwise by law | ✓ | |

By signing this form, you consent to having your name publicly released.

| Date | Signature |
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| Oct 23, 2024 | |

Personal Information collected on this form is pursuant to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended and is collected in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information Act and Protection of Privacy Act* and will be used by the Clerk for the purpose of assessing whether a nominee is eligible for appointment to municipal office. This form will be attached to a Council Agenda and published to the Municipal website.

Schedule "B".



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Declaration of Qualifications

I, Filipe Sousa, an applicant mentioned in this application form, declare that I am presently, legally qualified, or would be presently legally qualified if I were not a member of Legislative Assembly of Ontario or the Senate or House of Commons of Canada, to be appointed and to hold the office to which I have applied for appointment and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.

DECLARED before me at the Municipality of West Elgin, in the County of Elgin this 23 day of October, 2024.

[Redacted Signature]

Signature of Applicant

[Redacted Signature]

Signature of Commissioner of Oaths and Affidavits

TERRI TOWSTIUC, Clerk
Commissioner for the Municipality of West Elgin
Province of Ontario

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Certificate

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Municipality of West Elgin, do hereby certify that I have examined the application form of the aforesaid applicant filed with me and am satisfied that the nominee is qualified for appointment to municipal office.

Signature of Clerk or designate

Date Certified

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October 23, 2024

Dear West Elgin Municipal Council Members,

I am writing to express my interest in serving on the Committee for West Elgin Ward 3. As a proud business owner in our community, I am deeply passionate about the well-being of our seniors, ensuring affordable living options, enhancing local amenities, and supporting local businesses while promoting responsible population growth. I also prioritize respecting our farming community and ensuring their continued presence and prosperity. My commitment to these areas, combined with my active involvement in the community, makes me a strong candidate to contribute meaningfully to our ward.

As a resident of West Lorne, I understand the unique challenges and opportunities that come with balancing growth while maintaining our community's values. I have been actively involved in local efforts, particularly through my work with Roots & Revival, where I have contributed to organizing and supporting this cherished event. This experience has allowed me to communicate and collaborate closely with residents and local businesses, fostering a strong sense of community spirit.

I am particularly passionate about advocating for seniors, who are often the most vulnerable in today's climate of inflation and population growth, ensuring they have access to the services and support they need to thrive. Additionally, I believe that maintaining affordability is critical for preserving the character and inclusiveness of our neighborhood.

My ability to work effectively with a diverse range of individuals, combined with my leadership and organizational skills from my festival involvement, has prepared me to collaborate with employees, colleagues, and residents, regardless of differing viewpoints. I take pride in engaging with a wide range of perspectives, always striving to find common ground and promote the well-being of our entire community.

I would be honored to serve on the Ward Committee and contribute to its mission of improving the quality of life for all residents. Thank you for considering my application. I welcome the opportunity to discuss how my experiences and passion for our community could benefit the committee. I look forward to working alongside the esteemed committee members to achieve our goals.

Sincerely,



Filipe Sousa - Business Owner