



2026 St. Thomas City Council Appointments

Note: All appointments are for the term of Council, unless otherwise indicated

Committee/Board	Members
Board of Management Downtown Development Board	Mayor Preston
	Earl Taylor
	Grayden Laing
	Tina Swaenepoel
	Reza Alavie
	Renee Carpenter
	Jennifer Childs
	Ian Gillespie
	Duane Orth
	Russell Schnurr
	Dave Thomson
	Sarah Van Pelt
	Andrew Cole
Board of Management Elgin Area Primary Water Supply System	Mayor Preston
	Councillor Herbert
	Councillor Clarke (Alternate)
Board of Management St. Thomas Area Secondary Water Supply System	Councillor Rymal
	Councillor Kohler
	Councillor Gibson (Alternate)
Board of Management Valleyview Home	Mayor Preston
	Councillor Baldwin-Sands
	Councillor Clarke
	Councillor Gibson
	Councillor Herbert
	Councillor Kohler
	Councillor Rymal
	Councillor Taylor
	Councillor Wookey
Catfish Creek Conservation Authority	Councillor Clarke
Committee of Adjustment	Inge Bowman, Chair
	Mark Herbert
	Wilf Riecker

Community Improvement Program Evaluation Committee	Mayor Preston
	Councillor Herbert
	Russell Schnurr, Downtown Development Board
	Jennifer Childs, Downtown Development Board
	Harrison Cole, Municipal Heritage Committee, Chair
	David Goodwin, Municipal Heritage Committee
Court of Revision Drainage Petitions	Councillor Wookey
Emergency Management Program Committee	Mayor Preston
	City Manager
	Police Chief
	Director, Social Services
	Director of Environmental & Infrastructure Services
	Fire Chief
	Community Emergency Management Coordinator
Entegrus Inc. Board	Councillor Wookey
	Joe Brophy
Entegrus Powerlines Board	Councillor Wookey
	Councillor Clarke
Greenlane Community Trust Committee even years - City, odd years - Elgin County	Mayor Preston, City of St. Thomas
Greenlane Landfill Public Liaison Committee	Vinoj Kurian
Health Recruitment Partnership	Mayor Preston
	Councillor Baldwin-Sands, Chair
	Councillor Grant Jones, County of Elgin
	Councillor Jack Couckuyt, County of Elgin
	Representative, St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital
	Physician at Large
	Physician at Large, Medical Association
	Representative, St. Thomas-Elgin Homebuilders
Kettle Creek Conservation Authority	Councillor Herbert
	Councillor Baldwin-Sands
	Mayor Preston (Alternate)
Municipal Heritage Committee	Councillor Rymal
Note: 9 members of which at least 1 must be a member of Council	Steven McLarty-Payson
	David Goodwin
	Russell Schnurr
	Harrison Cole, Chair
	Tino Clarke
	Jennifer Childs
	Ryan Belanger
	Nick Ewanick
Police Services Board	Mayor Preston
	Councillor Gibson

	Jason Jackson
	Dan Reith, Chair (May 2, 2022 - December 31 2026 - Provincial Appointment)
	Lynn Coates (November 9, 2023 – November 9, 2026 – Provincial Appointment)
Property Standards Committee	Tino Clarke
	Russell Schnurr
	Erica Hodges
Site Plan Control	City Manager
	Manager of Planning Services or Designate
	Director of Environmental & Infrastructure Services or Designate
	Chief Building Official or Designate
	Director, Parks, Recreation and Facilities or Designate
Southwestern Public Health	Councillor Taylor
	Councillor Herbert
	Councillor Rymal (Alternate)
Special Events Committee Representatives of the following:	Councillor Clarke, Chair
	Mayor Preston (Alternate)
	Police
	Fire
	Elgin-St. Thomas EMS
	Environmental Services (Roads & Transportation)
	Parks, Recreation & Facilities
	Treasury
	Planning & Building Services
	Southwestern Public Health
	Railway City Tourism
	Downtown Development Board
	Chamber of Commerce
	Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee
St. Thomas Economic Development Corporation	Mayor Preston
	Councillor Clarke
	Councillor Kohler
St. Thomas Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee	Councillor Gibson
	Joe Docherty Jr.
	Catherine Topping, Vice Chair
	Sheila Rodaway
	John Allen
	Aaron Beecroft
	Michelle Sylvester, Chair
	Ed Vandermaarel
	Nancy Mayberry
St. Thomas Public Art Committee	Councillor Wookey

	John Allen
	Shawn De Neire
	Laura Woermke, Chair, St. Thomas Public Art Centre
	Director, Parks, Recreation and Facilities
	Matt Vriens, Environmental Services Department
St. Thomas Public Library Board	Councillor Gibson
	Councillor Taylor
	David Sharpe, Vice Chair
	Peter Bloch-Hansen
	Tara McCaulley
	Larry Needham
	Deb Lavery, Chair
	Geoffrey Rae
	Mira Grkavac