Council Member — District 4 Perry McNeill

Dr. Perry McNeill's Predictions For 2025

Interviewed by: Jessica James

In a recent interview, Council member Perry McNeill shared his dreams for Denton in the year 2025. Council member McNeill's forecast of future is outlined below.

Business Community

Denton will continue to be a place that other companies will want to come to and do business. We will have a high tech corridor, which will stem from the initiation of our current research parks. We will have companies developing and creating products that put Denton on the map.

Education

All entities will be what they are today with more quality and continuity.

Public Schools — The Denton City Council and School Board of the Denton Independent School District will continue to work together to fund and create public education that really serves the population well. There will be seamless entry from the public schools into the community college and higher education system by our students.

University of North Texas (UNT) — UNT will achieve Tier One status and be recognized as one of the top research institutions in the state. The College of Engineering will be a beacon and model for engineering education and will put our mark in the sand.

Texas Woman's University (TWU) — TWU will continue to serve the market niche that they are currently serving quite well. They will move in on the health-related professions and continue to do so while they provide for the real need in our country and city. The two new hospitals (Denton Regional Medical Center and Presbyterian Hospital of Denton) will become part of their teaching programs.

North Central Texas College (NCTC) — NCTC will continue to produce first-rate RNs.

City

Denton will take its place as a full player at the table in the metroplex's economics and politics.

Downtown — The Downtown Master Plan will come to fruition. Denton will create places for companies' headquarters to relocate. Downtown will continue to have a plethora of living styles such as condos and loft apartments, so people that want to can work and live downtown.

Neighborhoods — The diversity in the neighborhoods in Denton will continue. Affordable housing will still be available for residents, while the void for higher-end homes will be filled for the professionals who want to buy the extremely large homes.

Transportation — I will be able to get on one of the Denton County Transportation Authority railcars at Bell and Hickory and zip right into Dallas at 90 miles per hour. People will see that the road construction that has everyone going bananas is really, truly functional and people are able to ride either in their cars or on the City bus system without having to stop at barricades.