

Perkins has credentials to be city's next mayor

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The city of Greensboro needs new leadership. Let's start by replacing Mayor Bill Knight.

In his push to open the White Street Landfill, Knight demonstrated his ignorance of how to make strategic decisions. By refusing to seek input from key subject-matter experts, including the city manager and staff, ignoring the input of affected citizens, and by failing to communicate his decision-making rationale, he has engendered widespread mistrust.

The result of his attempting to shortcut what should have been a careful and deliberative process includes judicial rebuke, steep legal costs to the taxpayers and a city seriously divided.

In a word, Bill Knight has taken us backward, not forward.

I urge everyone to vote for Robbie Perkins for mayor. Robbie has integrity and a strong work ethic.

He's smart and exceedingly competent. He knows how to work with people, and is able and willing to communicate. He is a doer and an attentive listener who will respect and serve every citizen. He's also a true visionary.

Great leaders stand with people, not above them. They exhibit common decency and self-confidence, but never conceit. That's Robbie Perkins.

Let's make voting our priority and move Greensboro forward by electing Perkins mayor.

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