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Mayor Of Gruver TX Seeks To Disband Police Department

An area town may no longer have a police department. Mayor Buster Davis of Gruver Texas has proposed a discussion in the next city council meeting to disband the city's police department. Law enforcement services for the city would be contracted through the Hansford County Sheriff's Office. Chief Pyne Gregory says there hasn't been a reason to disband the police to his knowledge. "I haven't been told the reasoning for this. I am aware of other cities in the state of Texas that have had to contract to their county sheriff's office, and generally speaking it is usually financial issues. But in this case, I don't believe it is a financial issue. The finances of the city appear to be fine," Chief Gregory says. Chief Gregory says having local police is important. Response times would be shorter than if a Hansford County Deputy had to respond to Gruver. A petition is circulating for Gruver residents to sign urging city commissioners not to disband the police department.

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