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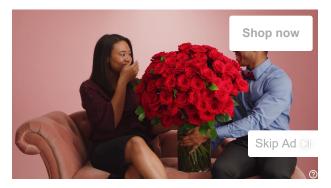




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The Hawk Eye reports that Mount Union City Council voted 4-0 Monday to pass a resolution of intent to discontinue functioning as a city.

The city will now work with Henry County to figure out how it would rid itself of debts and assets before holding a public hearing that allows citizens to speak and submit written comments. The council will then pass another resolution, and citizens can call for a special election.



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The city would also have to pay off its outstanding debts and sell all city property before officially unincorporating.

A petition Mayor John Marek received several weeks ago had 12 signatures out of about 80 registered voters in the city.

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