



PRESS RELEASE

Case #14-231355

DUI Driver Crashes into Cornelius City Hall

November 8, 2014 – Early Saturday morning a woman drove off the road, through the grass at the Cornelius City Hall and crashed into the building. She did not stay at the scene of the crash. She was arrested for DUI and other charges and then lodged in the Washington County Jail.

On Saturday November 8, 2014 at 3:15 a.m. Sheriff's deputies servicing the City of Cornelius performed a traffic stop on a white 2000 Ford Mustang. During the traffic stop, deputies noticed both airbags were deployed and there was significant damage to the car.



In the course of the investigation, deputies learned the driver, Jennifer Martinez-Juarez, age 21 of Cornelius was intoxicated. They also determined prior to the traffic stop she crashed her Mustang into a garbage can, a bench and then drove through the grass and struck a structural support at the City of Cornelius. The traffic stop took place several blocks away from the city offices.

It was also discovered that she was a primary aggressor in a domestic harassment incident against her boyfriend (the passenger) prior to leaving a local bar. Ms. Martinez-Juarez was arrested for DUI, Fail to Perform Duties of a Driver (Hit and Run), Criminal Mischief and Domestic Harassment. She was lodged in the Washington County Jail.

