

Why a high profile city employee side-swiped a car on Friday night and kept on driving is anybody's guess. La Crosse's community development administrator, Liana Escott, apparently swerved into a car parked on Market Street late last Friday night but didn't stop to check the damage. Police say, the guy in the car that got hit tried to chase Escott down but she wouldn't stop and eventually he gave up, satisfied to turn in her license plate number to cops. Escott, who's also at the head of the city's Safe Routes to School program, finally talked to police on Tuesday, by then she'd repaired the damage to her car but was apparently evasive about it. She's been busted on a hit and run charge.