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### **ARREST RELEASE**

On Tuesday February 23, 2016 at about 9:10 p.m., Rockford Police M3 Officers observed a tan Buick Century driving north on 7th St approaching 6th Ave. As the vehicle drove by, Officers observed the driver to be Corterryis Ford, a 20-year-old Rockford man, who they knew to have no driver's license. Ford drove the Buick quickly into a parking lot in the 600 block of 7th St and pulled into a parking space. Ford and his passengers quickly got out of the car and entered a business before the officers could stop them. Officers saw a black Glock 40 caliber handgun sitting partially under the driver's seat of the car and had previous knowledge that Ford was a convicted felon and Ford was on parole. Officers approached the subjects inside the business and took Ford into custody without incident. No other contraband was located inside the Buick. Ford had previously been convicted of aggravated discharge of a firearm in 2015. The other passengers were detained for questioning but later released.

Ford was lodged in the Winnebago County Jail on the following charges:

Unlawful Use of Weapons by a Felon  
Unlawful Use of Weapons by a Street Gang Member  
Aggravated Unlawful Use of Weapons  
No Firearm Owner's Identification  
No Valid Driver's License  
IDOC Parole Violation

Ford should be considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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