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Abandoned Infant Investigation

On January 7, 2022, at approximately 8:00 p.m., officers with the Hobbs Police Department responded to the 1400 block of N. Thorp in reference to a new born child being located in a dumpster.

Upon arrival, officers rendered aid to the newborn child, and the baby was transported to a local hospital by Hobbs EMS. The child was subsequently transported to a Lubbock Hospital for further pediatric treatment.

Investigators were able to retrieve surveillance video and later located a suspect vehicle.

Alexis Avila, 18 years old, of Hobbs was interviewed and confessed to giving birth to the child at another location and then placing the baby in the dumpster.

Ms. Avila was charged with Attempt to Commit a Felony To Wit: Murder (1st degree felony) and Child Abuse (1st degree felony).

The newborn child is in stable condition at this time.

Ms. Avila will await arraignment in Lea County District Court on Monday, January 10th, 2022.

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