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## **Abilene Police are Investigating a Homicide in South Abilene**

*Abilene, Texas* – On Saturday, October 14, 2023, at 7:03 a.m. police were dispatched to the 2400 block of Buffalo Gap Road in south Abilene for the report of an injured subject. Officers found a male lying in an apartment suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. The male victim was later pronounced deceased at the scene by a Justice of the Peace.

Next of kin notification has been made and the victim is identified as 28-year-old, Mackenzie Chastang of Abilene.

39-year-old Matthew Haynes was taken into custody and charged with First Degree Felony Murder. The suspect and the victim were known to each other.

The investigation continues. Haynes is being held at the Taylor County Jail.

Respectfully,

Rick Tomlin

Public Information Coordinator

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