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CCSO arrests suspect in kidnapping following mobile app date gone wrong

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NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – The Charleston County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) has arrested Michael James Voorhees, 26, of Goose Creek, in connection with a kidnapping and vehicle pursuit that occurred early Sunday, October 11, 2026. Voorhees is charged with Kidnapping; Possession, Sale, or Disposal of a Stolen Vehicle Valued at More Than \$10,000; Hit and Run with Property Damage; Assault on a Police Officer While Resisting Arrest; and Failure to Stop for Blue Lights.

On Sunday, October 11, 2026, just after 2 a.m., CCSO deputies responded to a 911 call from a female victim reporting that her Tinder date was refusing to let her leave the vehicle. Deputies were able to locate the vehicle near Leopold Street in Charleston based on the information provided. Voorhees was driving with the victim inside. As deputies attempted to make contact, Voorhees allowed the victim to exit the vehicle in a nearby neighborhood before speeding off toward Maybank Highway. A pursuit followed, during which deputies deployed stop sticks multiple times. The pursuit concluded near the Ashley River Memorial Bridge as the suspect vehicle entered the downtown area. The pursuit ended after the suspect's vehicle and a CCSO cruiser collided and came to a stop. Voorhees was transported to MUSC for jail clearance. No additional injuries were reported. The vehicle involved in the pursuit was later confirmed to be the victim's vehicle, resulting in the additional charge related to possession and disposal of a stolen vehicle.

Voorhees was booked at the Sheriff Al Cannon Detention Center. Booking photos can be found online at <https://inmatesearch.charlestoncounty.org/>. For photos of people already released, click the "Show Past Bookings" box.

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