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NEW TERMINAL AT MID-CONTINENT

City denies contractor's appeal on airport bid

BY BILL WILSON
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A city board on Tuesday unanimously denied a Wichita contractor's appeal of the winning bid for the new Mid-Continent Airport terminal, the latest development in a dispute that threatens federal funding for the project.

Voting 4-0, the bid board turned down the appeal of low bidder Dondlinger/Hunt, whose \$99.4 million bid was rejected when city officials found it didn't have, and didn't make a good faith effort to land, enough disadvantaged subcontractors under rules for the terminal project.

The \$100 million terminal funding package includes \$53 million from the Federal Aviation Administration, an award that requires the winning project bidder to turn over at least 7.11

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ISSUE WITH SLOW ONLINE REGISTRATION



Mike Hutmacher/The Wichita Eagle

Kansas drivers wait to get new tags or renew their current vehicle registration at the Sedgwick County Tag Office, 200 W. Murdock, on Tuesday.

First waits, now double DMV billing

BY DION LEFLER
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Add another car-registration hazard to hours-long waits in line at the Department of Motor Vehicles — the possibility of being charged more than once for the same car when you renew on the Internet.

The good news is it's a problem you can avoid just by being patient.

Sedgwick County officials warned Tuesday that people who register online should not click the button to submit their registration more than once, no matter how long it takes to go through or how locked up the system seems to be.

The cranky computers that have caused lengthy lines at tag offices are the same ones that serve the online system.

So, if the DMV office computer is down, the

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A YARD FULL OF HISTORIC FLAGS



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David Martin displays his 70 historic flags of the U.S. in front of his home in Benjamin Hills. He puts his collection out on all national and patriotic holidays if the weather allows it, and plans to show his flags through today.

BY SARAH TUCKER
The Wichita Eagle

At 2448 Cardinal Drive in the Benjamin Hills neighborhood, flags whip in the wind.

Eight feet tall, the flags command respect, and passers-by stare at the display of patriotism. Some flags are obvious variations on the official American flag; others seem foreign or old-fashioned.

All 70 flags on display represent the history of the United States, as well as one man's patriotism.

David Martin says he has been displaying historical flags of the U.S. for decades. He's not sure when the hobby started or what initially drew his interest, but he feels compelled to continue the display to promote patriotism and honor the memory of those who came before us.

GALLERY ONLINE

See more photos of David Martin's historic flags at Kansas.com.



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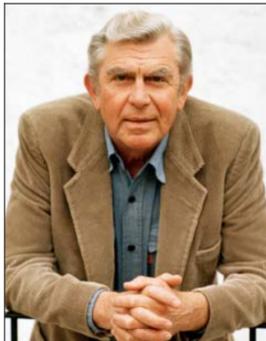
David Martin said it takes about 45 minutes to put his flags out, and he takes them in each night.

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BEST KNOWN FOR MAYBERRY AND 'MATLOCK'

TV icon Andy Griffith dies at 86

BY DOUGLAS MARTIN
New York Times



File photo

Andy Griffith's homespun humor and wisdom made "The Andy Griffith Show" an enduring TV favorite.

Andy Griffith, an actor whose folksy Southern manner charmed audiences for more than 50 years on Broadway, in movies, on records and especially on television — most notably as the small-town sheriff on the long-running situation comedy that bore his name — died Tuesday at his home on Roanoke Island in North Carolina. He was 86.

His death was confirmed by the

Dare County sheriff, Doug Doughtie.

Griffith was already a star, with rave reviews on Broadway in "No Time for Sergeants" and in Elia Kazan's film "A Face in the Crowd," when "The Andy Griffith Show" made its debut in the fall of 1960. And he delighted a later generation of television viewers in the 1980s and '90s in the title role of the courtroom drama "Matlock."

But his fame was never as great as it was in the 1960s, when he

starred for eight years as Andy Taylor, the sagacious sheriff of the make-believe Southern town of Mayberry, running weekly herd on a collection of eccentrics like his ineffectual deputy, Barney Fife, and the simple-minded gas station attendant Gomer Pyle while, as a widower, patiently raising a young son, Opie.

"The Andy Griffith Show," seen Monday nights on CBS, was No. 4 in the Nielsen ratings its first

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