Council rejects rebid for airport terminal

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The Wichita City Council decided Tuesday not to rebid a $100 million airport terminal construction contract, despite assertions from a project leader who claims the city is wasting more than $2 million of public money and that the selection process went to a “bargain basement.”

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