

South Bay Cities Council of Governments
GIS Working Group Minutes
November 2, 2005

Attendees: Jenny Gough, Chair (Torrance); Bonnie Shrewsbury (Manhattan Beach); Sonali Tambe (Rancho Palos Verdes); Rod Peel (ESRI); Marianne Gastelum (Redondo Beach); Steven Lavey (Torrance); Barry Waite (Carson); Mike McDaniel (Gardena); Cuong Dang (Redondo Beach); Ryan Tucker (Redondo Beach); Rich R (Port of LA); Diane Cameron (SBCCOG).

Meeting Called to Order at 10:45 by Chair Gough.

Introductions-Members introduced themselves.

Storm Drain Initiative Task Force Update-Bonnie Shrewsbury gave update. L.A. County Sanitation Districts are creating county wide GIS coverage of storm drains to plan water pollution control in County. Regional Task Force has been created to address this issue, and meets on an as needed basis. RFP is in the planning process.

Parcel Data Update-State came out with decision stating that parcel data is in public domain; counties can't charge for it anymore. Bonnie approached the County for information to test their new system and see if information is available. County stated that their attorney is reviewing the decision before they change their procedures, and they will reply re: status on November 4th.

Mr. Peel stated that many county assessors were discussing this decision at a recent conference, so the counties are aware of the decision.

Joint Marketing and Data Exchange Agreement-Chair Gough stated that circa 1999, those who requested parcel info in Torrance were sent to the County, and Torrance would get a small piece of the fee that was charged, as it applied to Torrance. Now the city has received a call stating that the County is removing the various joint marketing agreements and need to discuss it with the various city attorneys on how to undo the agreement. Therefore, it appears that the County is working on complying with the new decision.

COG GIS Training-Bonnie gave update re: status of enrollment for upcoming GIS training. There is still space for enrollment-no deadline for sign ups, but they need to fill 10 seats in order to have the class.

Mr. Peel announced that Tuesday is the GIS User Group meeting at Rio Hondo College for those that are interested. The speakers are Jason Fry re: E-Biz and another re: User Tips and Tricks.

COG Website Update-Diane gave update regarding COG website redesign project. She stated that the Board adopted an agreement with Urban Insight at their last meeting and

the kick off meeting is on Nov 21. GIS Working Group members that are interested in seeing anything in particular on the new site need to contact Diane by November 18th.

Chair Gough stated that FTP would be a necessity so that cities could post documents for other people.

Aerials Update-Bonnie stated that the project was still underway and she would keep the group informed.

Mike Mc Daniel stated he got the results from Miller Aviation and the results are basically not usable-each of the photos was off by five feet or so on average.

LA County IAC Update-Chair Gough stated that is not officially a consortium, it is a project. Barges has been chosen as the consultant and they recently had a kick off meeting going over how the project was going to be executed.

Mr. Peel asked if a web service was going to be set up, vs. everyone storing the data themselves. Chair Gough stated that it hadn't been discussed yet, but it does make sense and that they may look into it.

Ms. Shrewsbury noted that the QAQC was a separate contract and might not commence until June 2006, which means that cities seeing product could be well after that. Ms. Gough responded that the QC contractor would be the one who also carved up the deliverable and disseminated it, with a June deadline. She stated that some would be done before the deadline.

SBCCOG Shared Street Centerline Data-Chair Gough gave overview of why this data is being collected, and that they are in search of a model that will be easy to use. Bonnie noted that a review of the data received indicated that naming conventions were poor. Some agencies use SDSFIE model, which was developed by Army Corps of Engineers, and is more complex. Chair Gough is unsure why some agencies are using metadata, and if we are looking for a model, why not use the ESRI data model.

Chair Gough also stated that they now have a contact in the City of LA, and asked Barry to contact him.

Chair Gough stated that at some point we should produce a document re: the data, storage and access so that we have the background information available if we want to apply for a grant. Mr. Peel stated that many Homeland Security grants are coming out in December. Steven Lavey offered to work with Mr. Peel on a grant application

Homeland Security Address Portal-Mr. Lavey is looking for grant information; received rough cost from vendor (GeoPrice) of \$50,000-75,000 which is more than was expected. He will provide further updates as he knows more.

GIS Day-Chair Gough stated that Pasadena is getting together with other cities at the Pasadena Conference Center-Their conference on GIS Day should be interesting.

Other Business-Chair Gough mentioned the theme of the SBCCOG General Assembly and that we need to think of who to invite to that. Barry recommended Jim Derringer who is a former governor and understands GIS.

Barry gave update on process of repair for Carson's plotter and asked for suggestions. Jenny suggested Source Graphics. Mike McDaniel stated that Gardena was in the market for a plotter and asked for suggested model numbers.

Barry also announced that El Camino College and CSUDH have GIS people and they should be invited to this group.

Next meeting: December 7, 2005 in Redondo Beach.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.