

South Bay Cities Council of Governments
GIS Working Group Minutes
December 7, 2005

Attendees: Jenny Gough, Chair (Torrance); Javier Vrista and Ryan Tucker (Redondo Beach); Bonnie Shrewsbury (Manhattan Beach); Elsa Moreno (Inglewood); Irene Graff (El Camino College); Romelle Renner (Redondo Beach resident); Mike Ferris (CSUDH); Sonali Tambe (Rancho Palos Verdes); Steven Lavey (Torrance); Barry Waite (Carson); Mike McDaniel (Gardena); Rod Peel (ESRI); Diane Cameron (SBCCOG).

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

Introductions-Members introduced themselves.

GIS Day Follow Up-Jenny Gough discussed how GIS Day went and her city's display for the event. The display focused on the utility mapping projects Those maps also got into the ESRI map book, which was shown in the display as well. Barry also discussed some of the presentations he gave regarding GIS at a middle school.

Parcel Data Update-Bonnie put request into LA County for their parcel data to be a test case (through the public records act), and they complied data and sent it to her. She discovered that government agencies don't have a right to the information like a private citizen, however they sent it to her anyway "in a spirit of cooperation". Her attorney advised that future public records requests should be made as a private citizen.

Joint Marketing and Data Exchange Agreement-Jenny gave update re: Torrance-they used to have a joint marketing and data exchange agreement with the County, but the County approached them last month to decide upon changing the disposition of the agreement. She heard from a third party that LA County is still considering charging commercial enterprises for the data if they are going to turn around and sell it, However, the County has said nothing of the sort, so at this time it is unclear what they will do.

Recent COG GIS Training-Bonnie stated that Introductory GIS class had ten students and went very well.

COG Website Update-Diane reported on the progress of developing the new COG website. It is under construction and the goal is to have it ready for launch by the General Assembly.

Aerials Update-Project still in process. Bonnie asked if other cities present had pursued completion of project; Barry stated that Carson is not going to complete it, especially since the County project will be completed next year.

SBCCOG Shared Street Centerline Data-Barry has reviewed each city's street centerline data. Some data was superfluous, other data had too many fields. However, in

general, most cities were using the same fields. The end product will have a core of fields and a common naming convention for ease of use.

Homeland Security Address Data Portal-no update

Grant Update-Rod presented new grant opportunities through Homeland Security for 2006, but it mostly builds upon existing work that was already done. That might preclude application. Steven stated that we would need lead time in order to apply for anything in order to get SBCCOG approval at a January meeting, and in time to apply for the grant. Barry suggested a display at the General Assembly to discuss what project is being proposed. Rod will do some more research and coordinate with Steven.

Demonstration of new ArcGIS Explorer-Rod demonstrated the new alpha version of this software. It's a new free client to interact with GIS, empowered by web services. It uses a menu system labeled with Tools, Tasks and Results. Rod gave an overview of how these different items worked. This software will be on display at the January 11th, 2006 meeting in Anaheim for full review.

@citystreetView-City of Inglewood is using data developed by @City. Data is captured from a GPS equipped van that drives and takes photos that are geo-referenced with a 360 degree view. The desktop product allows for triangulation back for locating features such as traffic signs. Other cities might be interested in purchasing the product. Some cities are doing a pilot project of just a portion of streets to demonstrate how well it works. Then if they get buy in, they can do the whole city. Someone from @city would like to do a demo for the COG-the group agreed to wait until March to set that up for a GIS meeting.

Meeting Chairperson for 2006-Jenny accepted the opportunity to do it for one more year.

Other Business-Planning for General Assembly is underway, due to technology theme. GIS should be represented.

January 17th at El Segundo Fire will host a meeting to discuss the Area G fire atlas books. The meeting will be held at 9 a.m. and will involve Fire and GIS personnel from Area G cities.

Next meeting January 4th 2006 at 10:30 am in Redondo Beach.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.