

**South Bay Cities Council of Governments
GIS Working Group Meeting
City of Redondo Beach
Wednesday, October 10th, 2012 at 10:30 am**

Minutes

Introductions and Sign-in

Attendees: Michael McDaniel (El Segundo), Sunny Lai (Torrance), Ryan Tucker (Redondo Beach), Michael Ferris (CSU Dominguez Hills), Sonali Tambe (Hermosa Beach), Elsa Moreno (Inglewood)

August Meeting Notes

Moved and seconded to approve without changes

Discussion Items:

1. Street Lighting project

Mike M. found a potential data source through LA County Public Works. He distributed an example of the data. The data mainly come from cities that incorporated later such as Lawndale, Lomita and Carson, as well as remaining unincorporated county areas. The points are not well positioned and off by around 15 feet or more, so it can be difficult to determine on what side of the point the lighting is positioned. The attribute data seems to be useful however, including lumens. Using LAR-IAC to reposition the points these data could become accurate to one or two feet.

Torrance is thinking about creating a street light layer in GIS. Hermosa only has city-owned streetlight information. For Redondo, Ryan walked the city pulling information from a GPS device then joined attribute information from Edison. In order to do this it is important to have the best device possible so that cleanup is minimal. The unit for Redondo was a Trimble and cost about \$10,000. The new unit has a camera and tags photos in the database for record keeping.

Redondo has replaced some bulbs for city-owned lamps with LED lighting. The city has seen a cost savings of approximately 20%.

The COG is willing to help any interested party from end to end if they would like to get involved with lighting replacement. If cities are only interested in replacing their bulbs but leaving the maintenance to Edison or another entity, this is possible. The COG is

working on drafting a cost/benefit analysis. RPV is interested in the project. If anyone wants further information please contact David Magarian: david.magarian@sbsesc.com

2. County GIS Day – November 14th

The County GIS Day will take place in Alhambra at the same location as last year. The day consists of presentations and various sessions. These sessions are useful as they discuss GIS efforts and solutions from cities throughout the county. GIS day is good to attend as it is both a learning experience and an opportunity to showcase groups, especially the South Bay GIS working group as probably the best COG working group in the county.

A booth has been reserved for the group and volunteers are needed to man the booth so that everyone gets a chance to participate. Half hour time slots would be sufficient. The booth should be manned from 9 to 3:30.

It was decided that a banner would be made to post at the booth. **Sonali** to make the banner. It should fit the dimensions of the user conference panels which are about 4 feet, so we can use it again at next year's conference.

If folks want to present anything for their own jurisdictions and are unable to attend, they should bring their materials to the next meeting. If jurisdictions want to hand out pamphlets or other items they should bring them to the booth. **Mike** to send out a notice.

3. November GIS Working Group meeting

Since the County GIS Day will take place on the same day the group would hold their November meeting, it was decided to hold the meeting Thursday the week before. The new meeting will take place on November 8th at Redondo Beach City Hall. **Ryan** to make sure the room is available.

4. Other recent/upcoming GIS meetings

a. LA Regional GIS Forum – 9/26

The LA Regional Forum has largely replaced the SoCal GIS group, although the focus of each is slightly different and SoCal GIS still exists. The SoCal group concentrates on showcasing operations of individual cities and the Regional Forum is directed at bringing city and county GIS operations in Los Angeles County together. It is run by Mark G.

Sonali attended the Regional Forum on 9/26. They invited people from Google Maps who discussed their subscription-based services. The services are still clunky and there does not seem to be much use for cities at this point.

LA County's old system is ArcIMS which has detailed information on streets. They are still using IMS but would like to move to a GIS server. The county's data at the parcel level is interesting. One of the County's ArcIMS services provides .dgn files with address and parcel dimensions from the LA DPW website.

b. LAR-IAC 4 Technical Advisory Group – Monday 10/15, 10:30 a.m.

Sonali and Sunny plan to attend this meeting. Mike M. to see if the meeting can be attended via GoToMeeting.com.

Other Business

- Elsa, Bonnie and Mike attended the ESRI 10.1 meeting: Transforming Your Organization. There have been many new things updated through arcgis.com. In order to operate the drag and drop function (you can take a csv file and drag it into your working space and a map is created) you need both a subscription and the newest Microsoft Office edition.
- Sonali needed some advice and recommendations regarding two systems for Hermosa Beach: Document Management and Service Requests. For the latter system, Hermosa needs a program that coordinates with a mobile device and generates reports. Suggested systems were OPRA for Public Works and iWORK, which is GIS-based and works on purchased modules. IWORK can generate reports from the field. El Segundo and Redondo use iWATER for sewer purposes and the program works well. El Segundo uses QUESTYS for document management. There have been some complaints about QUESTYS being difficult to use and the service going down, but overall the El Segundo seems satisfied.

Volunteer for Goodies Next Meeting: Sonali