



Geographic Data Committee Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 7, 2009, 9:30 am

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

The following of the Geographic Data Committee attended all or a portion of the

October 7, 2009 GDC Meeting:

Chambers County, Tommy Bridwell
City of Houston-Houston Emergency Center, Nguyen
City of Houston Planning and Development, Larry Nierth, Chris McPhilamy
City of Missouri City, Penny Hornsby
City of Sugar Land, Lary Dorrington, Erik Schenk
CivilTech Engineering Inc., Annie Ding
Fort Bend County Engineer's Office, Robert Casey Lyde
Harris County Appraisal District, Thang Nguyen, David Moss
Harris County Flood Control District, Scott Lamon
Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services, Nathan McConnell
Harris County Public Infrastructure Department- Executive, Andre Bally
Harris County Toll Road Authority, Jason Cowart
HDR Claunch & Miller, Inc., Doug Wilson
Houston Advanced Research Center, Mustapha Beydoun, Zach Vernon
Houston TranStar, Maria Cristela Vera
Houston-Galveston Area Council, Tanya Nguyen, Robert LaBarbera
Montgomery County 911, Chiu-Wen Ray
Pate Engineers, Inc., Amanda Menard
Port of Houston Authority, Grant Garrison
Rice University, Kim Ricker, Jean Niswonger
Texas Department of Transportation, Sheila Gaden
UT School of Public Health, Thomas Reynolds

Visitors

Jackie Smith
Amy Nichols
Lori Kircher
Cheng-Hua Feng
Carol Gaines
Edgar Smith
David Feinstein



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Item 1: Review of the October Minutes	The minutes were accepted as presented.	Scott Lamon (HCFCD)
Item 2: Aerial Imagery License Review	<p>H-GAC can no longer continue to wait for months for the cost share participants to pay for their share of the Aerial Imagery Acquisition. H-GAC is proposing a solution to this cash flow problem. This would involve Inter-local Agreements and Letters of Intent. This will cover the restricted usage of the copyrighted data. Inter-local Agreements and Purchase Orders will be accepted at anytime, from present to the delivery of the imagery. The vender will license the data to H-GAC making them the license master. H-GAC will license the data to all of the cost share participants free of charge. Any entity that didn't cost share will pay a license fee for the data to H-GAC. A discounted license fee will be provided to GDC Members who wish not to cost share in the initial/original purchase of the Aerial Imagery. Any cost share participant entity will have the ability to provide a copy of the data to their third party contractors. Third party contractors will need to delete the data from all of their systems once they have completed their project with the original cost share participant. The only portion of the data that is going to be licensed to non cost share participants is the MrSID aerial imagery data files. All Maps that are created by cost share participants that contain the Aerial Imagery will not require licensing. When using the aerial imagery on any website the user organization will need to state that the imagery comes from H-GAC and it's 2010 Aerial Acquisition (like Google Maps). Revenue generated from the license sales will be placed in a strategic fund at H-GAC called the Aerial Imagery Enterprise Fund. Money that is not used will be carried over to the next budget year. This will slowly reduce the cost for future Aerial Acquisitions. The cost share participants will no longer be able to sale the data to the public. All entities that plan to purchase the data will need to sign the License Agreement. The license will only be in effect for 18 months starting at the time of delivery of the data to the cost share participant organization. After the 18 month period is complete the data will refer to the public domain. Any entity can sale the data or give it out for free after the 18 month time frame is complete. Public agencies</p>	Robert LaBarbera (H-GAC)



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	<p>will not be held accountable for breaches of license agreement by vendors or contractors. However, if H-GAC finds that a third party contractor is in breach of the license agreement legal action will be taken. If a cost share participant contributes the minimum fee of \$3500, the entire Aerial Imagery data set will be provided to them. Cost share participant entities that do not contribute the minimum cost (\$3,500) will only receive the data (Lamberts/Tiles) they have identified and selected. In the future if they want more data they will need to pay up to the \$3500 minimum. Once the data has been fully delivered to the cost share participants the license cost for all non cost share participants will be \$5,500 and GDC Members will pay \$4,500. The data for non cost share participants will not be provided until after January 2011.</p>	
<p>Item 3: Aerial Imagery Cost-Share Website Procedures</p>	<p>The following are updates on Aerial Imagery Cost-Share:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently have 43 cost share participants • 14 have accepted their selections & \$ cost amounts • 5 have changed their selections • 2 have dropped out • 29 participants still need to confirm their \$ cost amounts <p>Breakdown of Aerial Imagery Deadline Dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10/7-10/16 Existing cost share and new participants need to confirmed their costs and/or make new selections • 10/19-10/23 All cost-share participants will re-log into the website to view and confirm or reject their final costs • 10/23 Website will be closed for new selections. Only final selection and \$ costs amounts will be shown. • 10/26 H-GAC starts sending out Letters of Intent and Inter-local Agreements to all cost-share participants • 11/25 Date that H-GAC needs signed Letters of Intent back • 12/1-12/11 Date range that contract signing is tentatively Set to occur with the Aerial Imagery vendor. • 11/2009-1/2010 Time frame that H-GAC needs signed Inter-local Agreements returned from cost share participants <p>Here is the link to the Aerial Cost Share Site: http://www.h-gac.com/rds/gis/aerial/aerial2010main.aspx</p>	<p>Robert LaBarbera (H-GAC)</p>
<p>Item 4: GIS Day Status Report</p>	<p>The Houston Area GIS Day event is scheduled for Thursday, November 19 (Professionals) and Friday, November 20 (Students). Currently there are 11 Exhibitors and 7 Sponsors. That means there are 18 Exhibitor Tables already reserved. There will be a total of 23 Exhibitor Tables at the Houston Area GIS Day event. There are only</p>	<p>Larry Niernth (City of Houston)</p>



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	<p>5 Exhibitor Tables left. Please get your Exhibitor or Sponsor Form in immediately if you are interested in being an Exhibitor or a Sponsor. The GIS Day Committee is considering doing teacher and outreach training using YouTube for a GIS 101 training session. The GIS Day Committee has almost reached the 250 student maximum for Kids Day on Friday, November 20. Please contact Larry Nierth (713-837-7893) or David Feinstein (713-914-4442) if you would like to be a GIS Day Mentor. If you are interested in being a Presenter/Speaker at the Houston Area GIS Day event on Thursday, November 19 please contact Grant Garrison at ggarrison@poha.com. For more information and details about the Houston Area GIS Day event please check out the website below: www.houstonareagisday.org</p>	
<p>Item 5: InfoUSA</p>	<p>InfoUSA was founded in 1972. The founders compiled data to sale to other businesses for direct marketing purposes. About 15 years ago InfoUSA decided that 14 million businesses and 210 million residents would be something that government agencies could use for research purposes. All the data is compiled from telephone books. InfoUSA uses over 5,400 phone directories. InfoUSA staff manually enters every business into their database. About 22 million businesses are compiled every year. These are supplemented with data from SEC filings, utility connects, Secretary of State data, etc. About 50,000 new businesses are added to the database on a weekly basis. Updates are done each month. InfoUSA staff verifies to make sure all of the information was entered correctly. InfoUSA then calls every business to verify their information. Over 1.3 million home based businesses are included in the database. All the data is Geocoded with a Geocode accuracy of 91%. The renewal date for the InfoUSA data is in March 2010. There will be a slight increase in the cost of the InfoUSA data to purchase a license to use it by GDC Members in 2010. More information to follow in the coming months regarding 2010 License renewal and costs.</p>	<p>Carrie Cure (InfoUSA)</p>
<p>Item 6: Other Issues</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harris County GIS Task Force Meeting; third Thursday of each month at the Harris County Mosquito Control; 2:00-3:00pm. 	<p>Scott Lamon (HCFCD)</p>