



GDC (Geographic Data Committee) Meeting

Wednesday, February 2, 2011, 9:30 a.m.

H-GAC Second Floor – Conference Room A

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

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

February 2, 2011 GDC Meeting:

City of Deer Park, Stuart Blumberg
City of Houston-Houston Emergency Center, Ed Loomis
City of Houston Planning and Development, Larry Nierth, Chris McPhilamy, Max SamField
City of Houston-Public Utilities Division, Kirk Arthur
City of Missouri City, Ralph Granados
City of Sugar Land, Lary Dorrington
City of Tomball, Chiuwen (Joanne) Ray
Fort Bend County Engineer's Office, Robert Casey Lyde
Greater Harris County 911, Jeff Ledbetter
Harris County Flood Control District, Scott Lamon
Harris County Homeland Security & Emergency Management, Bryan Dunaway
Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services, Nathan McConnell
Harris County Public Infrastructure Department- Executive, Andre Bally
Harris County Toll Road Authority, Burt Lee
Houston Advanced Research Center, Zach Vernon
Houston TranStar, Maria Cristela Vera
Houston-Galveston Area Council, Tanya Nguyen, Robert LaBarbera
Lone Star College, Michael Konvicka
Michael Baker Jr., Inc., Vince Hamilton
Montgomery County 911, Michelle Manuez
Port of Houston Authority, Grant Garrison
Rice University, Kim Ricker, Jean Niswonger
Texas Department of Transportation, Sheila Gaden, Charles Airiohudoion



Visitors

Jackie Smith
Amber Knapp
Harold Rogers
Cheng-Hua Feng
Randy Burkham
Edgar Smith
Nick Popovich

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Agenda Item	Action/Discussion/Information	Responsibility
<p>Item 1: Review of the January GDC Minutes</p>	<p>The attendants list was updated. Afterwards, the minutes were accepted as presented.</p>	<p>Larry Nierth (City of Houston)</p>
<p>Item 2: Andy Bally's Lifetime Achievement in GIS</p>	<p>Appreciation was expressed to Andy Bally for his Lifetime Achievement in GIS. Max Samfield presented Mr. Bally with an award on behalf of the GDC.</p>  	<p>Max Samfield (City of Houston)</p>
<p>Item 3: InfoGroup Subcommittee Report</p>	<p>The renewal date for the InfoGroup License is March 1st. If we do not renew, all past subscriber will have to remove all past years data sets from their work station. We only have about 50% of the total cost needed to renew the license. Past subscribers are encouraged to contribute at least the minimum cost of \$1000; however we encourage those of you who can, to contribute more in order to assist others. The deadline to participate is</p>	<p>Chiu-Wen Ray (City of Tomball)</p>

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<p>Item 4: 2011 GIS Day Chair Nominations</p>	<p>David Moss of Harris County Appraisal District was nominated for the 2011 GIS Day Chair.</p> <p>Appreciation was expressed to Kim Ricker for her hard work as 2010 GIS Day Chair. Larry Nieth presented Kim Ricker with an award on behalf of the GDC. Ms. Ricker accepted the honor and extended her thanks to the GIS Day Committee.</p> 	<p>Kim Ricker (Rice U)</p>
<p>Item 5: Key Map Zip Code Layer</p>	<p>Steve Hubbs discussed his task to create a zip code layer, based on research and extreme accuracy. The zip code layers are complicated because there is so much research involved in finding out exactly where the line is. The challenge was to develop a GIS zip code layer for the H-GAC Member Area. They started with Harris county and want to cover all of Southeast Texas (that will include all 13 counties). The following are things Key Map considered while making the zip code layer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post office data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Drawing their polygons of what side of the road they go down ○ Carrier Route Information System (CRIS) data and verified if it was odd or even addressees • Boundary lines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ they picked a county line boundary because at least 28 segments of Harris county are in the zip code 	<p>Steve Hubbs (Key Map)</p>



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	<p>boundary (they share a boundary with Harris County)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thoroughfare dividing lines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The lines go back to the odd and evens, but if it is running on a thoroughfare Key Map investigated what side of the road it goes on. <p>Pricing based on 10 users. For more details please contact Steve Hubbs at hubbs@keymaps.com.</p>	
<p>Item 6: H-GAC ArcGIS.com Services (free)</p>	<p>Martin Siwek reviewed the Key Map data. He went over some of the comparisons he found. They have noticed that Key Map is about 70% more accurate than the postal codes. H-GAC has been basing assessments off of their address points. H-GAC gets their addressing points data from CenterPoint. H-GAC is trying to figure out who has the most accurate addressing points. Discrepancies can be pointed out before the data is made public. Another reason we want to make sure the data is updated is so that this data can be used for hurricane zip zone evacuations.</p>	<p>Martin Siwek (H-GAC)</p>
<p>Item 7: Other Issues</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aerial Imagery Subcommittee after GDC meeting today at 1 pm. • Spring ArcGIS 10 Training: Tracy Rijken, TeachMeGIS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ArcGIS 1 (2 days): 3/9-3/10 \$800 (per student) ○ ArcGIS 2 (3 days): 3/15-3/17 \$1,200 (per student) ○ ArcGIS 3 (2 days): 3/23-3/24 \$800 (per student) 	<p>Larry Nierrth (City of Houston)</p>