

AMENDED MINUTES

Capital Area Council of Governments Geographic Information Systems Planning Council Summary Minutes

CAPCOG Board Room
Thursday, October 20, 2005, 10:00 – 11:30

MEMBERS PRESENT

Darla Law, Caldwell County
Charlie Meyer, Lee County
Steve Floyd, Hays County
Dawn Moore, Fayette County, **Chair**
Chris Bryce, City of Georgetown
Joan Hickey, Hays County
John C. Doerfler, Williamson County
Julie Sommerfeld, Bastrop County
MEMBERS ABSENT
Kathy Strickland, Blanco County
James Judge, City of Austin
Emily Stluka, Williamson County
Heidi Dues, Travis County, **Vice Chair**
Michael Poer, City of Austin

GUESTS PRESENT

David Shore, City of Cedar Park
Paula Ferrigno, Williamson County
Jess Henderson, City of Georgetown
Richard Kelly, Plant Equipment, Inc.

STAFF PRESENT

Sean Moran, CAPCOG
Stacy Burnett, CAPCOG
Robert Mudd, CAPCOG

1. Call to Order

Dawn Moore calls the meeting to order.

2. Adoption of Minutes from the July 14th Meeting

Moore opened the floor for adoption of the minutes from July's meeting. Moore motioned to accept the minutes. **Sommerfeld** seconded the motion. The motion was adopted unanimously.

3. GeoMap – Capital Area GeoSpatial Base Map

Moran began discussion of Geomap project by explaining the concept and where the process is at. Moran informed the members that Sanborn was the vendor recommended to the CAPCOG Executive Committee for the project. The committee approved, and the contract with Sanborn is currently being drafted. Moran also explained that as part of the statement of work, there is an interlocal agreement between CAPCOG and member jurisdictions who want to obtain data via this contract. Moran went on to explain that the data was going to be organized into USGS quarter quadrangle 'cells', and that data could be ordered, by cell, at an established price per cell. He added that the statement of work also includes a list of layers available, including different types of imagery, elevation, planimetrics,

watersheds, land cover, etc. An open discussion ensued with Moran fielding questions regarding timelines, planimetrics, and participation. Moran also showed the members examples of the aerial photography Sanborn provided and discussed Sanborn's data collection methods. For this project, digital cameras will be used to collect the imagery, which offers advantages in terms of cost reduction, the variety of spectrums available, etc. Moran stated that he hoped to have a contract in place with Sanborn in the next 3-4 weeks.

4. CAPCOG Interactive Map and regional Road Centerline Demo

Burnett demonstrated the new CAPCOG interactive map service and explained how to use the tools available in this service. Burnett also discussed potential future applications for this tool. Mudd demonstrated the intersection points, showing areas where roads were snapping and where they were not.

5. Williamson County GIS: Current and Future Activities

Bryce opened the discussion on GIS activities in Williamson County. Bryce explained that Williamson County has 5 moderately large cities, none of which dominates the county. Each city has GIS programs in various stages of development, which makes county-wide street centerline maintenance challenging because road files from the different cities must be pieced together. Bryce explained that Williamson County had established its own GIS council, which focused on coordinating jurisdictions in Williamson County. As of October, Williamson County was interviewing candidates for a new GIS Coordinator position. Bryce mentioned that the next Williamson County GIS Council meeting would be in December and was open to anyone who wanted to attend.

6. Roundtable & Other Business

An open discussion ensued (initiated by Labonte) regarding when jurisdictions would need to submit to Sanborn which cells they wanted to order. Shore initiated a discussion on giving data to private vendors such as MapsCo and Rand McNally. Moran closed the discussion by encouraging all members of the GISPC to submit suggestions for future GISPC meetings.

7. Set Date and Location for next GISPC Meeting

Moore opened the floor to set the date for the next meeting. Moore proposed January 19th, at which time elections would be held for a new chair and vice chair. Bryce suggested that the council could use a history of potential candidates.

8. Adjourn

Moore motioned to adjourn. Sommerfeld seconded. Motion is adopted unanimously.