

M3D Steering Committee Notes

1/13/05

- I. Introductions/Announcements
 - a. MetroGIS has worked with the seven counties in the metro to come up with a data sharing agreement for parcel information. The agreement goes into effect January 2005 and applies to academic and government organizations.
 - b. Hennepin County has created a rough draft data sharing agreement for non-profit access to parcel information. The wording is still being worked on but it should apply to any state recognized non-profit and will be evaluated on case by case basis.
 - c. U.S. Congress approved the American Community Survey. This will be an annual census update/estimate see the January 10th press release at www.census.gov
- II. M3D Timeline (See Handout)
 - a. All first quarter goals were accomplished
- III. Working Groups

(Each group presented results of meetings. Information was provided on questions and results in handouts for each working group)

 - a. Users
 - i. The first meeting was well attended and there is lots of interest. However the interest is scattered. The next user group meeting on January 28th should help focus the interest.
 - ii. The Jan. 28th meeting will be done using case studies to help narrow the focus and see what questions are answered or created by the data. It should help engage users.
 - iii. Besides CDCs, neighborhoods and cities, policy makers are also invited to attend. Notice of this meeting will be emailed out.
 - b. Data
 - i. A list of possible data wants/needs was created from the users group. The handout identified the data, sources, and comments about the data. Most of the data can be obtained through MetroGIS
 - ii. This list also included data not mentioned by the users such as Planned Land Use, Building Permits, and Utility Billing were added by the community.
 - iii. Utility Billing may be a viable option- MetroGIS is currently involved in a pilot program with three major utility providers. The details of the program are not clear but it would involve providing information on shut-offs and reconnects. This would be valuable for monitoring rental tenure. It is suggested that a detailed list of what data is wanted, what scale and why be created. (Why & How). This has a chance to be added into the program.

- iv. Extensive discussion of how data sharing agreements are structured and who is liable for use and enforcement occurred. The conversation moved to the difference of providing a report and map via web service and providing the data for download. The point was to identify possible snags when allowing users to query the map and export the results to a report. (Viewing the data vs. full access?)
- v. Creating a subgroup of the data group was suggested to address the data access and sharing concerns with providers.

- 1. Tentative Members

- a. Bill Brown (Hennepin County)
- b. Will Craig (CURA)
- c. Jeff Corn (Longfellow-User Group Representative)
- d. Greg Finzel (Ramsey County/St. Paul GIS Consortium Rep)
- e. Others??

- c. Technical

- i. Demoed LMIC, Ramsey County, Excensus websites and tools to see what has already been created.
- ii. The group came up with a list of questions that came from their meeting (see handout)
- iii. Next Step: Come up with prototypes through a brainstorming session for tools. The idea is to come up with the business needs, the needs of users to make data work for them. Use GIS as a tool to satisfy needs of data users/providers.
- iv. M3D will be using some John Carpenter's tool that he is creating for the Census Bureau.

- IV. Evaluation

- a. Provided Handout on Survey and Data that will be collected
 - i. Quantitative – physical conditions
 - ii. Qualitative – survey of policy and decision makers. Will be done through a 15 minute phone interview. It will include both formal players (CDCs, public officials, etc) and private players such as developers.

- V. Other Business

- a. Next Meeting: April 14th , 2pm at CURA

Meeting Attendance

Jeff Corn	Longfellow Community Council
David Claypool	Ramsey County
Bill Brown	Hennepin County
Randall Johnson	MetroGIS
Will Craig	CURA
Joanne Arnold	Wilder Research
David Windle	City of Roseville
Monte Aaker	MHFA
Oriane Casale	DEED
Jeff Matson	CURA
Brian Schaffer	CURA
Tim Eisenberg	CURA
Richard Chase	Wilder Research
Becky Errigo	Greater Frogtown CDC
Jeff Schneider	City of Minneapolis/CPED
Kris Nelson	CURA