

Louisiana Geographic Information Systems Council

Digital Data Committee

Meeting of May 21, 2020

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Warren Kron (LMA) called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM. A quorum was present via WebEx video for the meeting. The meeting was held remotely pursuant to the waivers of viva voce mandates of LA R.S. 42:11 *et seq.*, contained in 2020 JBE 41.

2. Attendance

Committee Members Present:

Chris Ard – City of New Orleans (NOLA)
Kathrine Cargo – Louisiana Chapter Emergency Numbering Association (NENA)
Warren Kron – Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA)
Darryl Mack – Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD)
Josh Manning – Louisiana Association of Planning and Development Districts (PDD)

Others Present:

None

3. Meeting Summary

Mr. Kron (LMA) asked members to review the minutes from the February 20, 2020 meeting. Kathrine Cargo (NENA) made a motion with a second by Josh Manning (PDD) to approve the February meeting minutes and the committee unanimously approved.

Mr. Kron (LMA) recapped the presentation made by Ms. Jill Saligoe-Simmel, SDI and INSPIRE Product Manager for Esri at the February 20th meeting, and the committee discussed several of the takeaways. The committee liked the idea of creating a template document for asking data sharing partners standard questions about the way they use GIS data, the data they maintain, and what data would be useful to have. Ms. Cargo (NENA) and other committee members came up with several other standard questions for the template concerning how partners use data including the following:

- Who are the best people to poll in the organization?
- What is the organization's current GIS-related capabilities and needs?
- What data is being maintained in the organization, and what other data needs to be developed or acquired?
- Who are the authorities of the data in the City and/or Parish government?

Committee members then made suggestions on how best to promote the LSDI and data sharing through metropolitan planning organizations, local planning departments, the annual LA Remote Sensing and GIS Workshop, and the annual Hurricane Data Mining Workshop. Darryl Mack (DOTD) suggested that Parish Assessors would also be a good source of data, and Mr. Kron (LMA) said he would contact the contractor Geographic Computer Technologies (GCT) who has developed the majority of the Assessors' GIS portals across the state to ask for advice on contacts for Assessor GIS data.

Mr. Mack (DOTD) mentioned he is working with Esri to determine how best to give local government organizations access to the State's Road and Highways application. During this discussion, Mr. Manning (PDD) thought it would be a worthwhile effort for DOTD to present its Roads and Highways application to the LA Planning Council (LPC), and Mr. Manning (PDD) will send the LPC meeting information to Mr. Mack (DOTD). Lastly, Mr. Mack (DOTD) stated that DOTD has recently published new data in its ArcGIS Online portal, and that he had not had an opportunity to test the process of loading local road data into the Roads and Highways database.

Mr. Kron (LMA) briefly reviewed updates that had been made to the LSDI Wiki site at <http://lgisc.org/wiki>, and Mr. Manning (PDD) provided technical documents that will assist with formatting the Wiki pages. While reviewing the site, there was a high level discussion about further developing the Land Use and Land Cover frameworks of the LSDI. Mr. Manning (PDD) mentioned that the American Planning Association (APA) should have standards for the various land use codes. He also suggested that the committee invite someone from the LA APA organization to join the discussions when the committee takes on the Land Cover and Land Use schema development.

The final part of the meeting involved reviewing the last updates to the Address Point schema. Mr. Kron (LMA) provided an overview and Mr. Mack (DOTD) confirmed that the current LA Roadways schema includes a value of '00000' in the Municipal domain that can be used as 'NA' in the "Incorporated Municipality" (Inc_Muni) field of the Address Point schema.

4. Next Meeting

Scheduled for Noon on Thursday, June 18, 2020 and the location will be determined later.

5. Adjourn

The meeting ended at 12:57 PM after the committee voted unanimously on a motion made by Mr. Mack (DOTD) and seconded by Mr. Manning (PDD).