SAVANNAH AREA
GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

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Meeting Summary Minutes
Chatham County Engineering Conference Room
124 Bull Street
October 22, 2019
9:00 A.M.

Voting Members	Representing	Present
G. Holmes Bell	Hussey, Gay, Bell	X
James J. Collins, III	Resident at Large	X
Pat Monahan	City of Savannah	Absent
Matt Gignilliat	Georgia Power	Absent
Brad Tower	St. Joseph's/Candler Hospital System	Absent
Russ Clark (for D. Lane)	Georgia Tech - Savannah	X
Lee Smith	Chatham County	Absent

Voting Member Alternatives

Jackie Turner	City of Savannah	X
Suzanne Cooler	Chatham County	X

Others Present

George Fidler	Savannah Hilton Head Airport	X
Lara Hall	MPC	X
Kevin MacLeod	MPC	X
Todd Smith	Tybee Island	Absent

1) **Welcome**

Meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. by Lara Hall.

2) **Action Item**

A. Approval of Minutes

The July 23, 2019 Meeting Minutes were approved. Motion by Holmes Bell, second by James Collins. All in attendance approved the motion.

B. Appoint Chair and Vice-Chair

Tabled - all in attendance agreed to reconsider the voting members and chair options at the next meeting.

3) Report Items

    A. Budget Report – Lara Hall

The year's budget was discussed – operating in the red. Ms. Hall stated the budget listed in the agenda is only updated through June 30, 2019. Ms. Hall stated new partners such as the City of Tybee and City of Pooler are now contributing, and certain items such as Operating Supplies may be adjusted lower to compensate for other line items. Ms. Hall stated SAGIS would need at least $10,000-15,000 additionally annually in order to be fully funded, and asked Suzanne Cooler if the County may be able to fulfill this amount. Suzanne Cooler stated she would review this request.

    B. Imagery/LIDAR – Lara Hall
       i. Ms. Hall noted the 2018 imagery has issues with color balancing and was captured in high and low tide, resulting in striped imagery. Holmes Bell asked whether the next imagery cycle would have color balance issues and differing tide levels. Ms. Hall noted Pictometry imagery is higher quality with a faster turnaround, and should avoid these in most part, and in this collection will be ¾" resolution which will provide rich details. Kevin MacLeod noted it is a tighter date range; i.e. over days instead of months with tighter tidal specification.
      ii. LiDar– Lara Hall
         Ms. Hall noted delivery is delayed, and it is unknown when Chatham County will receive data. Full project still stated by vendor to be delivered by July 2020.
      iii. Pictometry 2020 – Lara Hall
         Ms. Hall outlined the benefits from the ¾" resolution and the incredible detail of imagery. City of Savannah and Chatham County have committed to funding the Pictometry project. Ms. Hall noted that SAGIS worked with Pictometry to achieve a 40% discount on the purchase price.

    C. Census 2020 – Lara Hall
      i. Ms. Hall stated the LUCA response data was submitted last week and Census data deadlines are met. SAGIS will be assisting with the Census community education and outreach campaign.

    D. Public Safety and E911 GIS – Lara Hall
      i.   Ms. Hall is co-chair as of July 2018, with David Anderson under Suzanne Cooler. She reviewed the Board and the process. An ordinance has to be written and adopted by all communities. The goal is to not duplicate street names in Chatham County. Working to make all data standards interchangeable; making all tables compatible. Determining how it impacts all partners and users.

        Ms. Hall stated SAGIS is continuing to work with Chatham County engineering office on transitioning street centerlines and addressing to the County Engineering office. SAGIS is presently still maintaining both datasets and will be maintaining

each until a plan is in place to transfer responsibility. Ms. Hall stated Addressing standards for hydrants are being developed.

ii. The E911 Coordinator position responsibility has been incorporated into the Chatham County engineering department work program.

E. SAGIS Presentation – Lara Hall and Kevin MacLeod
i. Mr. MacLeod presented new features and analysis capabilities being added to the next-generation SAGIS.org Property Map Viewer, which will be released at the end of October. The new property value charting tools, Google Earth tool, Property Printout, Location Planning, and Advanced tools for site selection, were demoed.
• Jim Collins stated the new capabilities are excellent and very helpful for many uses for the community. He inquired about searching property sales by date range. Kevin MacLeod stated this was possible and demonstrated an example, as well as querying by several other attributes such as by zoning, property value, parcel size, and other parcel attributes.
• Holmes Bell inquired if there are training videos. Mr. MacLeod showed how to access the training videos. Holmes Bell suggested making the link more apparent and Mr. MacLeod acknowledged this was a good suggestion.

F. Additional SAGIS Activities (July – October 2019)
Presenter: Lara Hall

i.   Summary: Below are the activities that SAGIS has been working on since the last board meeting in July 2019.

• Development of advanced analysis tools to publish on SAGIS.org
• Assist Elections Office with geocoding voters and potential boundary changes
• Support the transition for City of Savannah to New Zoning code
• CEMA EOC staffing through Hurricane Dorian event, post event follow-up meetings
• Mapping component for Pooler's online elevation certificates
• GIS Day planning and organization, website overhaul
• Completed training and conferences: SEGA Meeting (July), URISA Workshops (August), CEMA ICS 400 (August), Savannah Area Maritime Security Training and Exercise Program (AMSTEP) Functional Exercise- U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Unit (September), URISA GIS-Pro (October)

ii. Additional SAGIS Activities (October – January 2020)
Presenter: Lara Hall

Summary: Below are additional activities that SAGIS will be working on through January 2020.

• Publish new tools to SAGIS.org along with updated how to videos, provide training as requested.
• Update internal map viewers to latest version of Esri Web Applications
• Assist Chatham County Elections office as needed for upcoming elections
• Transition addressing and street centerlines editing and maintenance over to Chatham County Engineering
• GIS Day venue moving to Savannah Tech, event scheduled for Nov. 13
• Ongoing projects and support
    o Provide addressing services for Savannah and Chatham County
    o Database administration for all GIS databases used by county and city staff
    o Review and edit maps for zoning, annexations and municipal boundary changes
    o Continue training, outreach and updates for the updated Internal Government Map (iMap) Viewer for city and county staff
    o Continued support of Cityworks and Engergov for City of Savannah, Chatham County, and HH-SAV International Airport
    o Data and website updates quarterly for www.sagis.org
    o MPC website editing and maintenance as needed
    o Chapter President for the Southeast Georgia URISA subchapter

iii. Additional SAGIS Activities – Long Term Projects
Presenter: Lara Hall

Summary: Below are the major projects that SAGIS will be working on through 2019.

• Census 2020 partnership with all Chatham County municipalities
• Pictometry and LiDAR contract administration
• Continue to support and improve public and internal map viewers, including training as requested
• Strategic Partner Integration – working with local municipalities and regional counties on becoming SAGIS partners
• Tybee renewal paid in May.
• Pooler and Airport payments pending.
• Participation on committees for E911 Executive Advisory Board
• Begin building development environment for next major SAGIS software and hardware upgrade, tentatively scheduled for Q1 2020

4) **Adjournment**

    Meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

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