



Fort Bend GIS Consortium Meeting

Thursday, June 9th, 2016 10:00AM

Greater Fort Bend EDC

1 Fluor Daniel Drive, Sugar Land, TX 77478

Meeting Summary

Items 1 & 4. (Imagery)

Representatives from Pictometry were present to give a demonstration of their product (imagery) as well as various apps. They demonstrated their "Connect Explorer" web app. Particular focus was given to the oblique imagery, and its potential uses for Emergency Services, property assessment, and code enforcement.

Glen Whitehead from the Appraisal District discussed the desire to fly Pictometry every year as a substituted to HGAC imagery. A very general discussion of pricing ensued in which it was estimated that 190-200 thousand additional dollars would need to be generated via some form of cost sharing arrangement. (With the Appraisal District already budgeted for the other half).

There was general agreement that Emergency Services, especially law enforcement, may be interested in the imagery.

Item 2. (Project Management / Work Orders)

This item was a general discussion of how to manage projects and/or work orders with GIS. Two products were mentioned by Nick Popovich from ESRI: "Workflow Manager" (a Desktop extension) for managing work within a large GIS shop. And "Workforce for ArcGIS" a mobile solution through ArcGIS Online for managing work orders in an organization (non-GIS specific work orders).

Item 3. (Certifications)

This item was a general discussion about GIS certification programs that revolved mostly around GISP and ESRI technical certifications. ESRI technical certifications demonstrate a holder has mastery of that aspect of ESRI software. GISP is more general (software neutral), and demonstrates an advanced knowledge of GIS concepts and practices.

Item 5. (Open Discussion)

Fort Bend CAD has migrated to parcel fabric, and will be hosting an ESRI instructor led class "Editing and Maintaining Parcels Using ArcGIS" to be held sometime in Aug/Sep. 6 seats are open to anyone who wants to attend, contact Glen Whitehead if interested (glenwhitehead@fbcad.org 281-633-4100).



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