



## **Fort Bend GIS Consortium Meeting**

*Thursday, August 16, 2018 10:00AM*

*Greater Fort Bend EDC*

*1 Fluor Daniel Drive, Sugar Land, TX 77478*

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### **Meeting Notes:**

1. Introductions
2. Review Last Meeting
3. Local Community Presentation
  - a. Rosenberg GIS Utilities Project – Geometric Network  
Cory Vardaman provided informative presentation on efforts by Rosenberg to update utilities GIS information, including suggestions and things to avoid. Overcoming data inaccuracies, Moving data into an organized Schema and domains contributed to success. One of the key success factors was the amount of time in planning before execution.  
Cory's presentation is on the GIS Consortium Word Press site under member's page.

4. Discussion

We may need a by-laws review / amendment regarding electronic voting for officers. How is a quorum defined for electronic voting?

Very good group discussion on addressing (in general) and lessons learned by Brazoria County specifically. Info provided by George Culver (LJA Engineering). Their update to addressing adhered to NEMA standards.

Penny Hornsby (FBC GIS Administrator) says a near term goal is an updated county-wide addressing layer. She'll check with CenterPoint on possibility of a mass address information export. She notes in any addressing effort that consistent naming conventions are key to accuracy.

Addressing subgroup of GIS Consortium (Co-chaired by Penny Hornsby, Paul Jones) will be focusing on discussions in the near future.

A comment was made that it would be nice to see OPPOSED elections for office (i.e., more than one candidate for offices.)

## 5. Announcements

Officer elections are coming up. Please consider supporting the GIS Consortium by standing for office.

The next meeting is planned for November 8<sup>th</sup>.

Area GIS conferences

ESRI Gulf coast user conference 10-11 October. New Orleans LA

<https://www.esri.com/en-us/about/events/gulf-coast-uc/overview>

Texas GIS Forum Oct 22-26, Austin TX

<https://tnris.org/texas-gis-forum/2018/>