



# RAMSEY COUNTY GIS USER GROUP

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Meeting Minutes  
2:00 – 4:00 PM, August 4, 2011  
Shoreview City Hall, 4600 Victoria St N

## 1. Introductions

Mark Andrle, City of New Brighton  
Matt Baker, City of Shoreview  
Melissa Baker, Capitol Region Watershed District  
Chad Bergo, City of Maplewood  
Jessica Fendos, Ramsey County  
Craig Hinzman, Ramsey County  
Brian Jastram, Mississippi Watershed Management Organization  
Kristine Jenson, Vadnais Lake Area Watershed Management Organization  
Deb Jones, City of Falcon Heights  
Joel Koepp, City of Roseville/City of North St. Paul  
Carrie Mack, Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District  
Curt Peterson, Ramsey County  
Ger Pha, City of St. Paul  
Jolinda Stapleton, City of Roseville

Meeting was called to order by Matt Baker at 14:08.

## 2. Additions or Corrections to the Agenda

Agenda approved by consensus.

## 3. Approval of August 4, 2011 Meeting Minutes.

Minutes approved by consensus.

## 4. User Group Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) Revisions

Ramsey County submitted comments on the draft JPA. It was noted that most of the comments primarily dealt with language changes. Additional comments were also made regarding 'affiliate' membership.

It was noted that in 'Article VI - GIS Data to be Supplied by Ramsey County' there was no mention of aerial imagery (as a data source itself). There was a general consensus among members that this section (and JPA in general) should be simplified. It was expressed that the outline of specific GIS data to be supplied by Ramsey County is more appropriately outlined in the agreement with Ramsey County and the Users Group, not the JPA. A reference to that agreement should be noted in this section.

The Executive Board will meet before the next Users Group meeting to review Ramsey County's comments and if necessary, incorporate into the JPA.

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## 5. Ramsey County Data Updates

Monthly updates were available on the FTP site. It was noted that the format of the monthly data cd was different. However, the data was still the same.

Curt Peterson provided a Go Ramsey Site update. The hard release of the website was roughly ten days ago. Mapping portals are not unified with the main site. Additional training sessions are also going to be provided.

Curt also informed the group that they would like to get benches on the site as well and possibly create a bench loop. Curt was interested in what fields others had in their databases and if there was anything missing from their dataset. Jolinda Stapleton asked if they were only interested in public benches or if they would be interested in private benches as well. Curt stated that they would probably be interested in all benches. In the future they may also add drinking fountains and restroom facilities.

Curt also mentioned that the Pictometry flight, flown in this past May, would be ready August 15<sup>th</sup> after which they will conduct the QA/QC review of the data.

Jessica Fendos demoed the internal mapping website which was presented to the workgroup at their last meeting. They discussed the functionality of the software (GeoCortex) to meet both of the uses outlined at their meeting in January. Jessica stated that 90-95% of the functionality can be delivered out of the box. Some customizing of the tools will have to be done. There were some questions as to how the search feature will operate with multiple user queries.

Jessica informed members that the demo site is live and to provide any feedback to her ([Jessica.fendos@co.ramsey.mn.us](mailto:Jessica.fendos@co.ramsey.mn.us)). The demo site may be accessed through ArcCatalog at: <https://maps.co.ramsey.mn.us:443/arcgis/rest/services>

## 6. Community Announcements

It was noted that Users Group fees will be reviewed at the January 2012 meeting and that fees may be adjusted to reflect this past census.

## 7. Agenda for September 1, 2011 Meeting

JPA, Data Distribution

## 8. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 15:05.

The next meeting will be on Thursday September 1<sup>st</sup>, from 14:00-16:00, at the Shoreview City Hall.

Minutes submitted by Melissa Baker, Secretary.

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