Work Plan
Local Government Committee

Local government agencies in North Carolina are major users of GIS technology and are primary developers of geographic data. The Local Government Committee (LGC) serves as a forum for organizations that represent local government GIS users and data producers in the state. The purpose of the LGC is to:

1) advise the Council on issues, problems, and opportunities relating to GIS and geospatial information within local governments in North Carolina;
2) actively inform local government users of geographic information about the status of GIS activities in the state, GIS efforts in state government, and the actions of the Council.

Issues of concern include policy and procedures for data distribution, technical standards, funding, data collection, and other matters related to the most effective use of geographic information and GIS technology.

Goals

A. Geospatial datasets managed by state, local and regional organizations in North Carolina are consistent with state and federal data content standards, meet state mapping standards, are well documented, are current, are complete, and are of sufficient quality to add value to state, local, regional and federal business processes.
B. Cooperative and collaborative geospatial data and mapping programs have sufficient funding to meet expectations for data quality and accessibility.
C. Geospatial datasets are widely shared among GIS users and accessible for viewing and download.

Objectives

1. Advise the GICC and CGIA on standards, problems, opportunities, and issues of concern to local government GIS users and the member organizations of the LGC.
2. Inform the membership of the LGC member organizations and the local government GIS community of the status of GIS activities in the state and the actions of the Council.
3. Promote and gain support for funding cooperative programs for statewide geospatial data and mapping.
4. Participate, through appointed LGC representatives on the Statewide Mapping Advisory Committee, the Technical Advisory Committee, the Management & Operations Committee and on working groups and ad hoc committees of the Council and on other committees as requested by the Council.

Expected Benefits by Objective

1. The GICC and CGIA will be well informed on issues, standards, problems, and opportunities of concern to local government.
2. GIS users in the local government community will be well informed 1) about the availability, status, and qualities of framework and other geospatial datasets; and 2) the status of on-going Council initiatives.
3. One or more cooperative programs will have adequate funding to maintain and enhance key geospatial datasets.
4. The activities and initiatives of the Council and its committees and working groups will reflect the concerns of the local government GIS community.

Ongoing Responsibilities

- Members who participate on other GICC committees are expected to report to the LGC on a regular basis. Other committee assignments may include the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Statewide Mapping Advisory Committee (SMAC) and its many subcommittees and working groups including the NC Board on Geographic Names, Working Group for Orthoimagery and Elevation, Working Group for Roads and Transportation, Metadata Committee, and the Hydrography Working Group.

  a. GICC and Management & Operations Committee: Alice Wilson
  b. SMAC: Alice Wilson and Marcus Bryant
  c. TAC: Tobin Bradley, Marcus Bryant, Marlena Isley, Sallie Vaughn
  d. Hydrography Working Group: Wright Lowery and Marlena Isley
  e. Metadata Committee: Steve Averett, Stephen Dew, Sarah Sheldon, Alice Wilson
  f. NC Board on Geographic Names: Amy Durden
  g. Working Group for 2022 Reference Frame (2022 WG): Stephen Dew
  h. Working Group for Census Geospatial Data: David Nash
  i. Working Group for Enhanced Emergency Response: Alice Wilson, Sallie Vaughn
  j. Working Group for Municipal Boundaries: Steve Averett, Marcus Bryant, Alice Wilson
  k. Working Group for Orthoimagery and Elevation: Stephen Dew, Josh Norwood, Natalie Walton-Corbett
  l. Working Group for PLS and GIS: Marcus Bryant, Kat Clifton, Tom Bell, Scott Miller, Joseph Sloop, Alice Wilson
  m. Working Group for Roads and Transportation (WGRT): Greta Bumgarner and Harry Lee
  n. Working Group for Seamless Parcels (WGSP): Pam Carver

- Members are encouraged to communicate the work of the LGC to their constituent organizations including the NC Property Mappers Association (NCPMA), Carolina Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (CURISA), NC Local Government Information Systems Association (NCLGISA), NC League of Municipalities (NCLM), NC Association of County Commissioners (NCACC), American Planning Association-NC Chapter (APA-NC), Lead Regional Organizations GIS Committee, as well as to meetings of regional user groups and to colleagues.

  a. NCPMA Board meetings and Fall Conference: Crystal Burnett
  b. CURISA Board: Pam Carver
  c. NCLGISA GIS group and conferences: Josh Norwood
  d. NCLM: Natalie Walton-Corbett
  e. NCACC: Ben Strauss
  f. APA-NC: Alice Wilson, Paul Black
  g. Lead Regional Organizations: Aarti Sharma
  h. Local and regional GIS user groups: all
  i. Staff and officials in own jurisdiction: all

- Members will encourage their counterparts to respond to email requests for information and/or advice initiated by the LGC.
- The LGC will send out LGC Alerts to the various listservs to inform the GIS community about activities, developments, and initiatives of the GICC and the LGC.

Major Tasks Numbered by Objective

Objective number and task number	Lead Member	Date Initiated	End Date	Status
1.1. Prepare / submit reports at GICC meetings	Chair	Quarterly	Quarterly	
1.2. Describe LGC accomplishments for GICC Annual Report for FY19-20.	Chair, Anna	July 2020	October 2020	
1.3.** Communicate with local jurisdictions regarding the NextGen 911 project. Ensuring these jurisdictions have all the information they need and encouraging participation.	Chair, Vice Chair (or relevant appointees))	August 2019	Ongoing	
1.4** Provide advice, guidance, and support to GICC regarding the Public Access to Infrastructure Data topic.	Chair, Vice Chair (or appointee)	July 2020	Ongoing	
1.5 Provide advice, guidance, and support regarding the AddressNC data.	Chair, Vice Chair (or appointee)	July 2020	Ongoing	
1.6. Contribute to the story map on the value of GIS in local government; promote free and open discovery of and access to geospatial data created and maintained by local governments.	Chair, Vice Chair (or appointee)	July 2020	Ongoing	
1.7. Identify opportunities to collaborate on geospatial data and technical solutions on a regional basis, engaging councils of government and other regional organizations in coordination with the ACRED GICC representative.	Chair, Aarti Sharma	July 2020	Ongoing	
1.8.** Identify jurisdictions in need and practical ways to assist those in need; engage professional organizations in outreach and solutions when relevant.	Chair, Vice Chair (or appointee)	July 2020	Ongoing	
2.1. Communicate with organizations (APA-NC, CURISA, NCPMA, NCACC, NCLM, NCLGISA) and the GIS community, e.g., quarterly highlights, newsletter items, etc.	Chair & All Members	July 2020	Ongoing	
2.2. Provide outreach to the local government GIS community to provide information on current projects and initiatives as well as solicit feedback on current projects and priorities.	Chair (or appointee)	July 2020	Ongoing	
2.3. Create a Local Government Contact web map to ensure contact information is up-to-date as well as to inform GIS users in a particular geography of an upcoming emergency event.	Chair (or appointee)	July 2020	Ongoing	
2.4. Create a Site to share information to NC LG GIS Staff on initiatives, webinars, and training.	Chair (or appointee)	July 2020	Ongoing	

3.1. Support funding for cooperative projects.	Chair, Vice Chair (or appointee)	July 2020	As needed	
4.1. Participate on TAC working group for public infrastructure data access and support GIS TAC on technical questions as requested.	Sallie Vaughn, Marlena Isley, Marcus Bryant	July 2020	Ongoing	
4.2. Provide status updates on 2020 Census and related data products.	David Nash	July 2020	Ongoing	
4.3. Participate on the WGSP to promote maintenance of statewide parcel data.	Pam, Anna	July 2020	Ongoing	
4.4.** Participate on the Working Group for Enhanced Emergency Response.	Alice, Sallie Vaughn	July 2020	Ongoing	
4.5. Participate on NC Board on Geographic Names.	Amy Durden	July 2020	As needed	
4.6.** Participate on the Working Group for Municipal Boundaries.	Alice, Marcus, Steve Averett	July 2020	Ongoing	
4.7. Participate on the Working Group for Orthoimagery and Elevation.	Stephen Dew, Natalie Walton-Corbett, Josh Norwood	July 2020	Ongoing	
4.8. Participate on the Metadata Committee.	Stephen Dew	July 2020	Dec 2020	
4.9. Participate in the Hydrography Working Group, advising on local government requirements for the stream mapping dataset.	Marlena Isley, Wright Lowery	July 2020	Ongoing	

** Tasks identified for GICC elements of strategic direction and/or GICC priorities.

Dependencies

Objective 3 depends on available funding for cooperative projects.